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Greetings

By Dr. Tatsuya Azuhata, Director of IISEE

As of April 1st, I have taken over the director of IISEE from Dr. Yokoi. This year, the IISEE training course celebrates its 60th anniversary. I think this training is still significant as seismic disasters frequently occur all over the world even now.

To continue and develop this training, we need continuous support and

cooperation from the professors and the specialists who provide their lectures to us and those of relevant organizations. Also, we think that it is essential to maintain a connection with ex-participants and receive various opinions from them. Furthermore, through project activities with the IPRED, the JICA, etc., we would like to keep in touch with research institutions in each country and obtain the latest knowledge and information all times in the world. We will continue to make efforts to contribute to human resource development all over the world, and we look forward to your continued support.

Note) IPRED: International Platform for Reducing Earthquake Disaster established in the UNESCO

JICA: Japan International Cooperation Agency



Dr. Tatsuya Azuhata,
Director of IISEE

By Mr. Yoshihisa Namao, Administrative of Training and General Affairs, Administration Division of IISEE.



Enjoy Now



Mr. Yoshihisa Namao,
Administrative of Training and
General Affairs,

My name is Yoshihisa Namao, starting working at IISEE since this April, commuting from Oyama city in Tochigi pref.

I am good at sports, especially badminton and chatting with others. Please feel free to talk to me. I'll make every effort to become well acquainted with my new job as fast as I can.

Introduction of personal changes

By Mr. Takahiro Yamada, Head of Administration Division, IISEE

As of March 31, Dr. Yokoi, the Director of IISEE, resigned and became a senior fellow and Mr. Sho Hamano, administrative of training and general affairs, administration division of IISEE transferred to the accounting section.

As of April 1, Dr. Tatsuya Azuhata promotes to Director of IISEE. As of April 2, Mr. Yoshihisa Namao was hired and assigned to Administrative of Training and General Affairs, Administration Division of IISEE.

Call for Papers

IISEE Bulletin is now accepting submissions of papers for the seismology, earthquake engineering, and tsunami. Developing countries are targeted, but are not limited.

Your original papers will be reviewed by the editorial members and some experts.

NO submission fee is needed.

Try to challenge!

Flower viewing

By Mr. Takahiro Yamada, Head of Administration Division, IISEE

On April 25, IISEE enjoyed "hanami" together and took group photos under the trees. The weather was perfect for savoring the cherry blossom.

"Hanami" is a flower-viewing party that is one of the Japanese seasonal traditions to welcome spring. We drink, eat, chat, and take photos under cherry blossoms like a picnic.

We have many cheery trees on the premises of BRI, and they bloom at the beginning of April every year. The weather forecast said that cherry would start to bloom around March 21 and become in full blossom around March 31. We had a few warm days in the middle of March, which made the trees in full bloom and spring snow on May 29 made them bloom longer.

The spring had warm days and cold ones this year, but we had a good time enjoying "hanami."



Contact Us

The IISEE Newsletter is intended to act as a go-between for IISEE and ex-participants.

We encourage you to contribute a report and an article to this newsletter. Please let us know your current activities in your countries.

We also welcome your co-workers and friends to register our mailing list.

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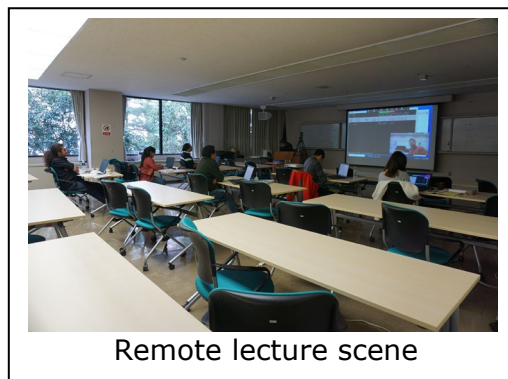
IISEE's Response to COVID-19

By Mr. Takahiro Yamada, Head of Administration Division, IISEE

The government of Japan had declared a month-long state of emergency in response to the novel coronavirus pandemic. The declaration covers Tokyo, Kanagawa, Saitama, Chiba, Osaka, Hyogo and Fukuoka Prefectures.

As of April 13, Tsukuba is outside the declared regions, and IISEE is conducting regular training courses in close cooperation with relevant organizations by taking the following measures;

- (1) The participant's chairs are arranged separately in lecture rooms.
- (2) The air in lecture rooms is changed regularly.
- (3) Participants are wearing face masks during classes and meetings with supervisors/advisors.
- (4) Frequent handwashing in restrooms and the use of alcohol hand sanitizers at the BRI entrance are encouraged.
- (5) Some classes by visiting lecturers have been canceled, postponed, or conducted over the internet.
- (6) IISEE is postponing study trips (Kansai and Kumamoto).



Remote lecture scene

Latest news and updates in Tsukuba are available on the city's website:
<http://www.tsukubainfo.jp/>

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