
**- The 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction: Public Forum -
Post-2015 Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction: Building Resilient Society
through the Whole-community Approach including Persons with Disabilities**

- **Date & Time:** 9:30 AM - 3:15 PM (admission 9:15-), Tue., March 17, 2015
- **Venue:** Hall B, 21F, AER (TKP Garden City Sendai) (1-3-1 AER 21F, Chuo, Aoba-ku, Sendai)
Admission free / up to 200 attendants /JP-EN simultaneous interpretation,
international sign language, real-time captioning in English provided

● **Organizers:** City of Sendai, The Nippon Foundation, Sendai City Welfare Association for the Disabled, Tohoku Fukushi University, Sendai Initiative Group for Reducing the Impact of Disaster on Persons with Disabilities

● **Sponsors:** Oita Prefecture Social Welfare Council, Institute of Human Diversity Japan, Kiguchi Foundation, Japan Disability Forum (JDF)

Persons with disabilities, children, the elderly and women can be especially vulnerable in times of disaster, and thus have various needs. The Hyogo Framework for Action and traditional disaster readiness plans and measures by governments have been inadequate, as demonstrated by the fact that the percentage of people with disabilities who died or were injured as a result of the Great East Japan Earthquake was higher than for the region's general population.

Meanwhile, it is noteworthy that networks of disabled persons and women functioned effectively, exhibiting capabilities as providers and recipients of assistance. Based on these lessons, conference participants will discuss what inclusive disaster risk reduction (DRR) should be in 2015 and beyond. Discussions will be based on the standpoint that disaster preparedness designed to meet the diverse needs of those with disabilities needs to be developed in cooperation with the entire community, and that the contribution of disabled persons to disaster preparedness, including planning, drills, evacuation life and other perspectives must be recognized to prevent this aspect of preparation from being categorized as 'dealing with the disaster-vulnerable.

● **Program**

9:30-9:50 Opening

Yohei Sasakawa (Chairman, The Nippon Foundation)

Miyato Takahashi (Director General, Public Health and Welfare Bureau , City of Sendai) and other guests

9:50-12:00 Panel discussion I

“Proposal for Disaster-prepared Community Building from the Perspectives of Persons with Disabilities”

Coordinator: Seiichi Takahashi (Professor, Tohoku Fukushi University)

Panelists:

Kazuhiko Abe (Chairman, Sendai City Welfare Association for the Disabled/Professor, Tohoku Fukushi University)

Kiyoharu Shiraishi (Representative of the JDF Disaster Area Support Center for People with Disabilities Fukushima)

Shigeo Tatsuki (Professor, Doshisha University)

Hideto Kawakita (Representative member of the Committee on the Development of Human Resources to Manage Support Centers for Disaster-affected People, Nippon Foundation)

Marcie Roth (Director, Office of Disability Integration & Coordination, US Federal Emergency Management Agency)

(12:00-13:00 Lunch break *A light meal will be provided)

13:00-15:00 Panel discussion II “Community-wide Efforts to Achieve Inclusive DRR”

Coordinator: Shigeo Tatsuki (Professor, Doshisha University)

Panelists:

Ádám Kósa (Member of the European Parliament/member of the legal committee, World Federation of the Deaf)

Akiie Ninomiya (Director, Asia-Pacific Development Center on Disability (APCD))

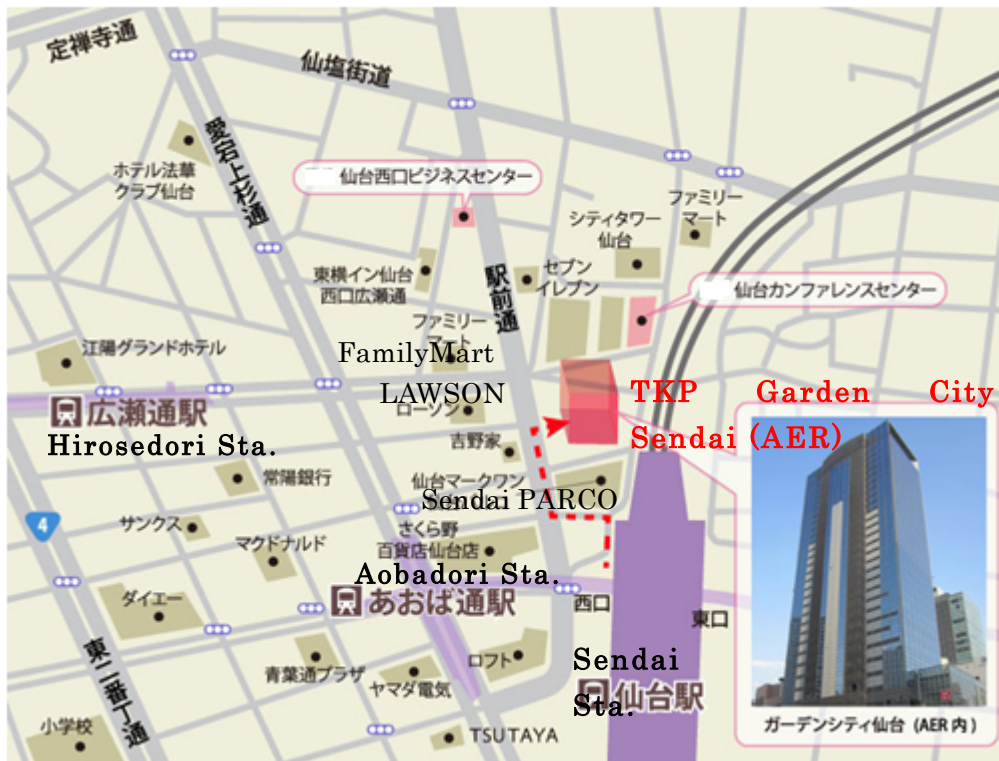
Junko Murano (Specialist, Oita Prefecture Social Welfare Council)

Mitsuaki Aoyagi (Chief Manager, Disaster Relief Team and Social Innovation Promotion Team, Nippon Foundation)

Lena Dominelli (Former president, The International Federation of Social Workers/Professor, Durham University)

15:00-15:15 Closing Kazuhiko Abe (Chairman, Sendai City Welfare Association for the Disabled)

- Venue: **Hall B, AER 21F (TKP Garden City Sendai)**
(1-3-1 AER 21F, Chuo, Aoba-ku, Sendai-shi, Miyagi-ken 980-6121)



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Entry Application Form

(Date of entry: DD /MM /YY)

Name			
Contact	TEL:	—	Mobile Phone: —
	FAX:	—	—
	E-mail:	@	
Use of wheelchair	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (<input type="checkbox"/> Electric <input type="checkbox"/> Manual)		<input type="checkbox"/> No
Information support	<input type="checkbox"/> International sign language		<input type="checkbox"/> Real-time captioning <input type="checkbox"/>
Care giver	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Name: _____ TEL: — —)		<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Organization			

* Please make sure all applicable boxes have been checked with “√”.

* Please send the entry form to The Nippon Foundation by **fax** or **email** by **Sun. March 15, 2015**.

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