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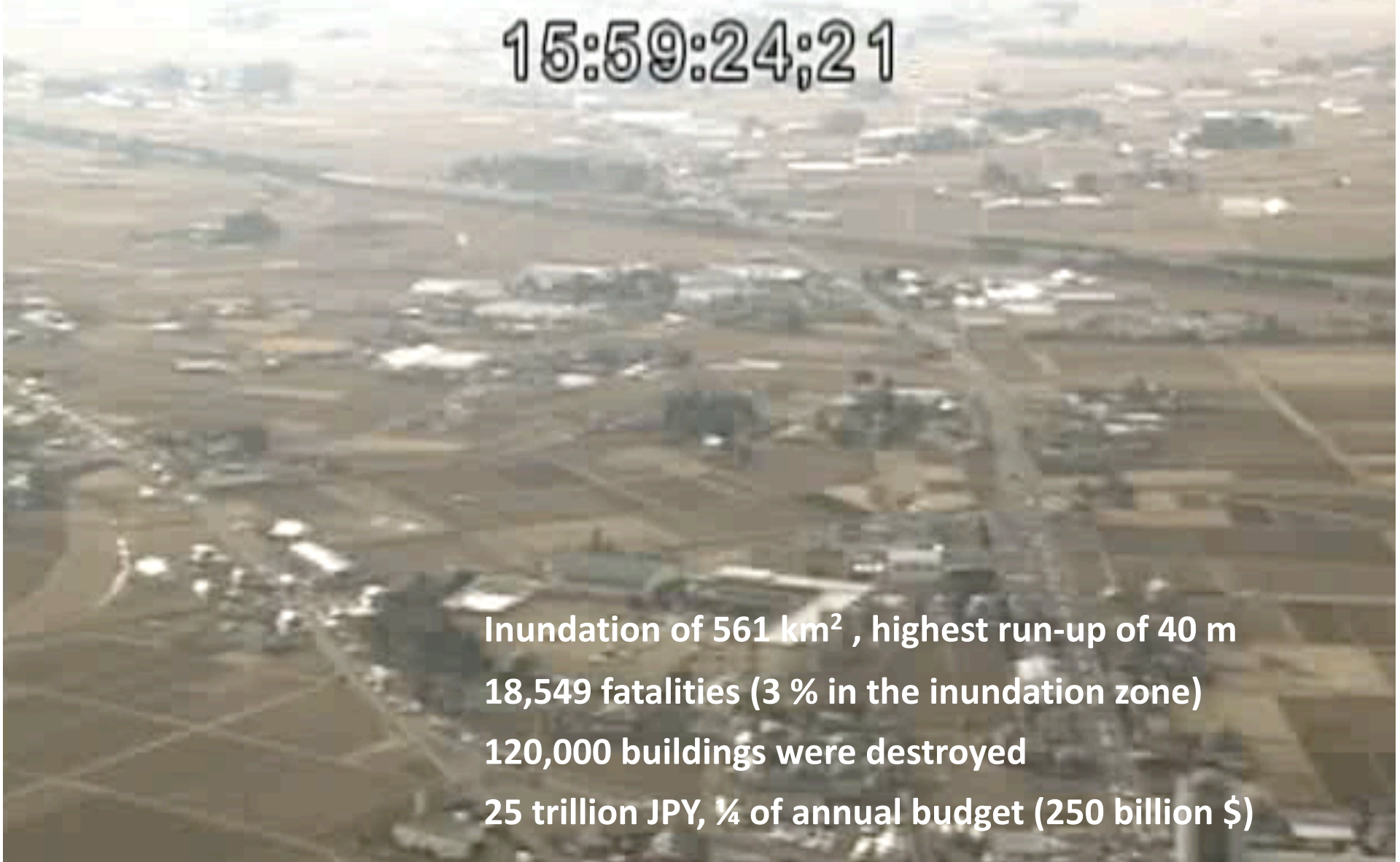


Tohoku University

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The 2011 Tohoku tsunami (NHK)

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An aerial photograph showing a coastal town in Japan, likely Sendai, after the 2011 Tohoku tsunami. The image shows extensive flooding, with water covering large areas of land. Many buildings are destroyed or partially submerged. The town is surrounded by fields and some trees. The overall scene is one of significant destruction and devastation.

Inundation of 561 km² , highest run-up of 40 m

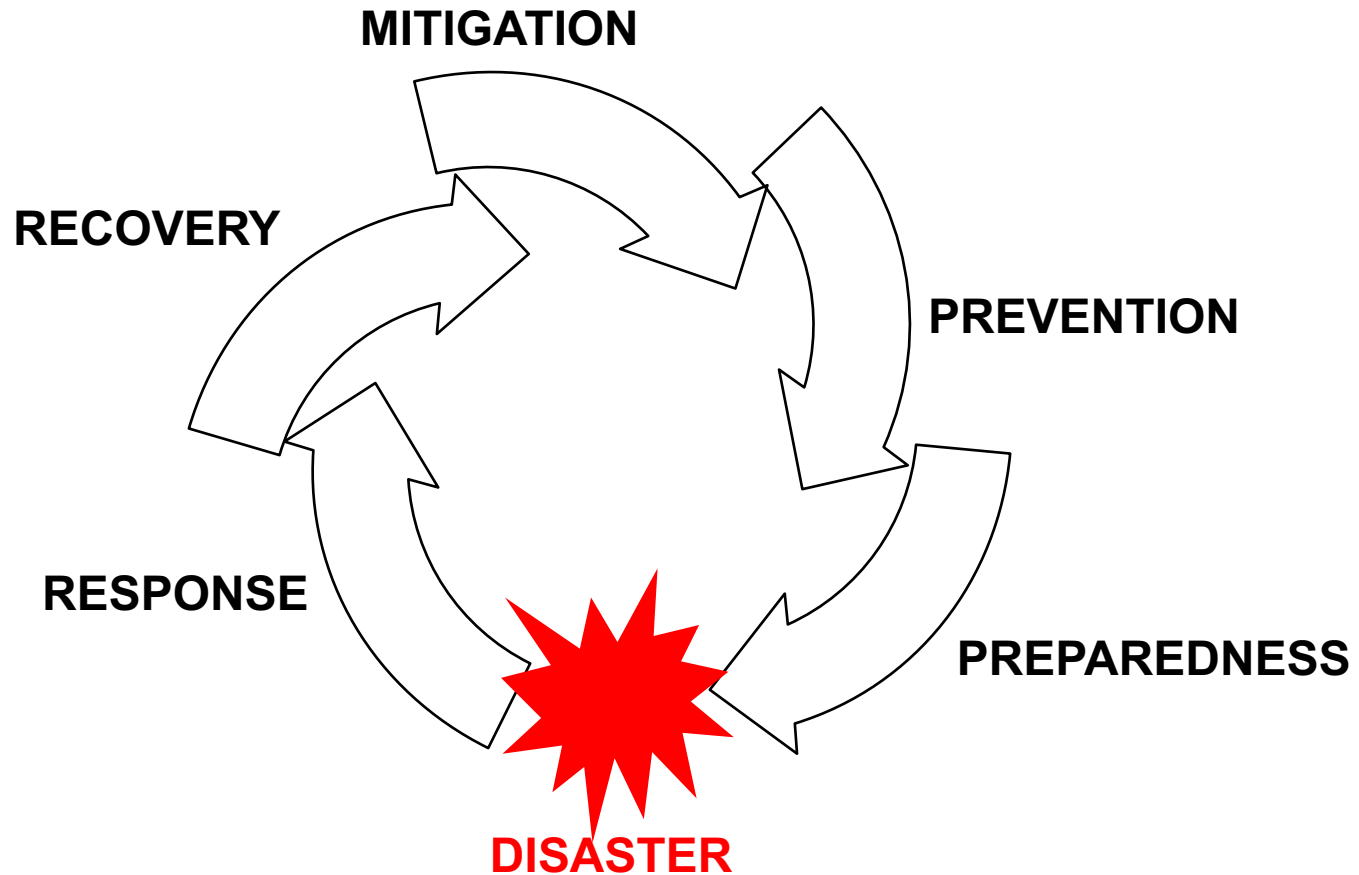
18,549 fatalities (3 % in the inundation zone)

120,000 buildings were destroyed

25 trillion JPY, ¼ of annual budget (250 billion \$)

Disaster Management Cycle

Exploiting the **lessons** from the past events to future



Establishing IRIDeS in 2012

22 Professors; 17 Assoc. Profs.; 27 Assist. Profs.; 12 administrative staffs





Designated National University - a new future for Tohoku

Tohoku University, along with the University of Tokyo and Kyoto University, received confirmation of its new status from the Japanese Government in June 2017. The conferment of the Designated National University title is a recognition of the university's abilities to lead and shape global education and research. The new status provides the university with a better platform to further contribute to communities at home and abroad.



CORE
RESEARCH
CLUSTER

Material science
Spintronics (spin electronics)
Medical science
Disaster science

Our mission & goal

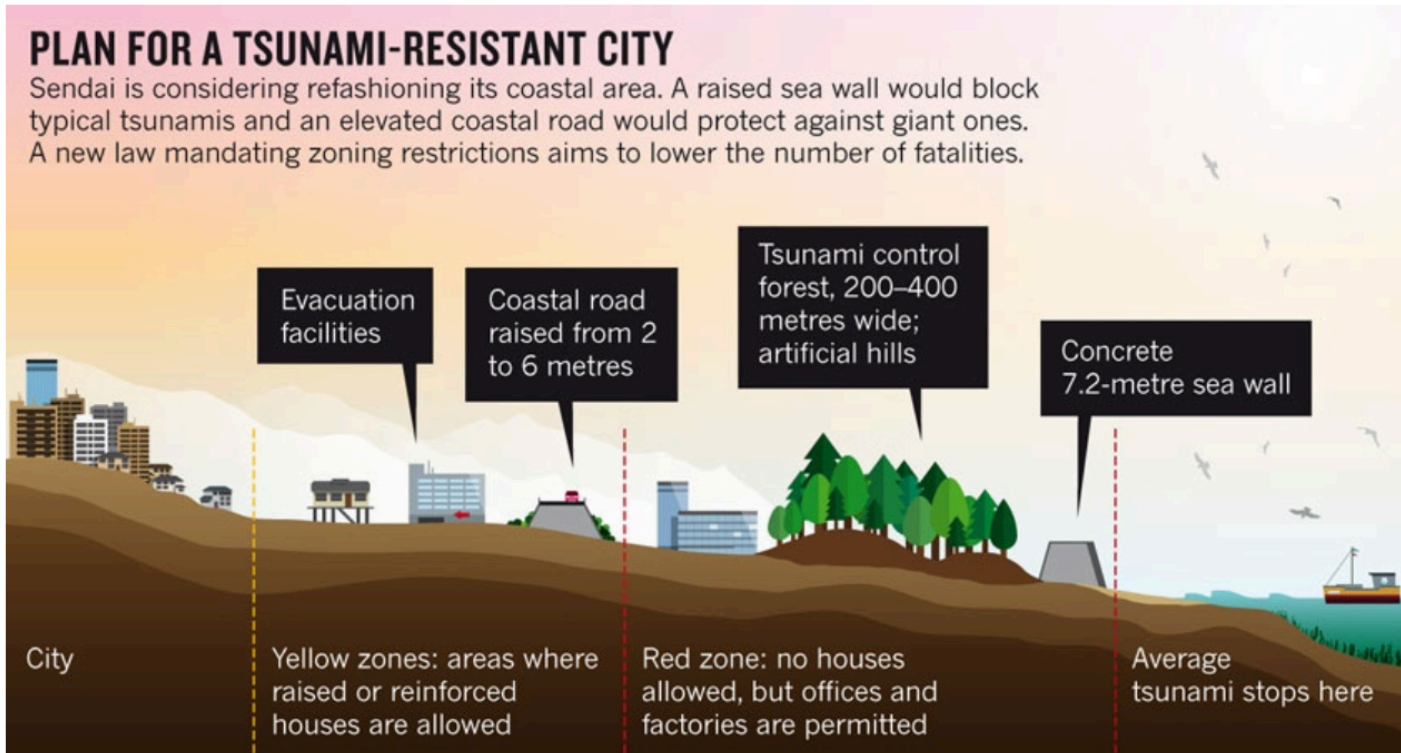
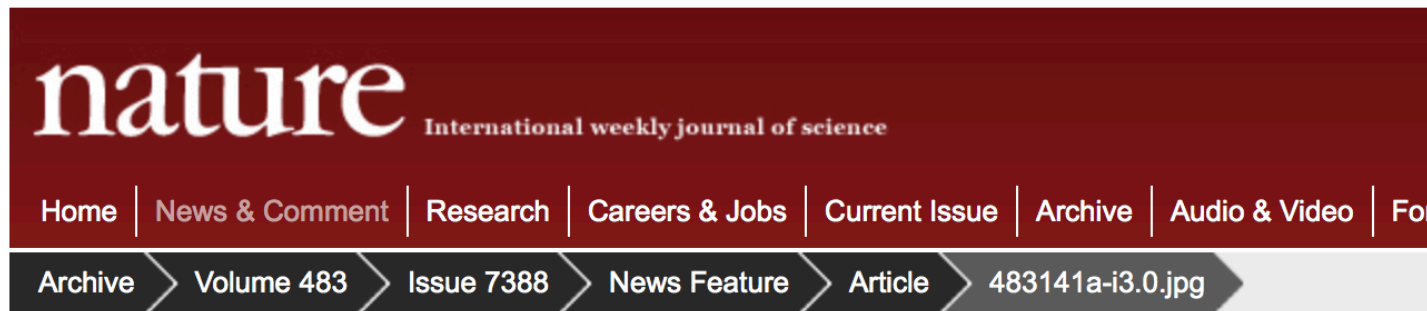
Enhancing disaster resilience

Ability of societies and social systems to well **prepare**, **respond** promptly and effectively to natural disasters, and **exploiting lessons** in the future disaster management.

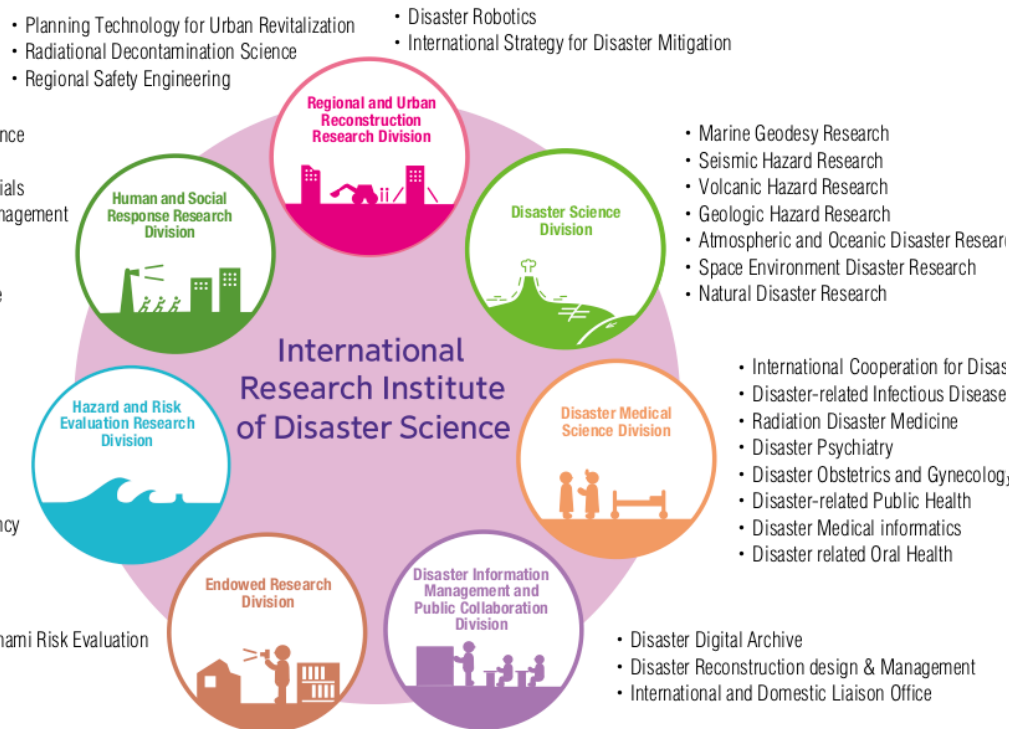
Action-oriented Research

- to combine research and practical work in a process that aims to improve strategies, practices and knowledge for disaster management
- to pursue each point in the disaster management cycle and to integrate and universalize the scientific discoveries to be dedicated to the world.

Sendai city's reconstruction plan



Organization of IRIDeS



Research Divisions

- Earth and Planetary Science
- Hazard and Risk Evaluation
- Human and Social Response
- Regional and Urban Reconstruction
- Disaster Information Management and Public Collaboration
- Disaster Medicine
- Endowed Research Division



Arata Hirakawa Fumihiko Imamura

The action-oriented research of IRIDeS;

1. Investigating the **physics of global scale natural disasters** such as mega-earthquakes, tsunamis and extreme weather
2. **Reconstructing disaster response and mitigation** technologies based on the lessons of the 2011 Great East Japan earthquake and tsunami disaster
3. Inventing **“Affected Area Supportology”** in the aftermath of natural disasters
4. **Enhancing disaster-resilience** and performance of multiple-fail-safe systems in regional and urban areas
5. **Establishing disaster medicine** and medical service systems towards catastrophic natural disasters
6. **Designing disaster-resilient societies** and developing the **digital archive system** to pass the lessons from the disasters



Proposal of new disaster mitigation strategies of disaster-resilient societies

Contribution to disaster prevention, mitigation and preparedness to next Tokai, Tonankai, and Nankai earthquakes

Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (WCDRR) in 2015



Participants of 156,082 from 187 countries
14-18 March 2015
Sendai, Japan

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Sendai Outcomes

Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030
Sendai Declaration
Voluntary commitments

Implementation and Commitments

Voluntary commitments by relevant stakeholders are important to identify modalities of cooperation and implement the Sendai Framework.

Segments

Proceedings of the World Conference
Preparatory Meetings
Inter-Governmental Segment
Multi-Stakeholder Segment
Public Forum

Davos-Sendai World Bosai (Disaster Risk Reduction) Forum



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World BOSAI Forum

Spin disaster knowledge to
Weave BOSAI wisdom

2nd Nov.9-12, 2019
IDRC 2019 in SENDAI JAPAN

Venue | Sendai International Center/
Kawauchi Hagi Hall, Tohoku University

241 Days to the WBF2019

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Dec. 12, 2018 ["Ono-kun"](#) has been added.

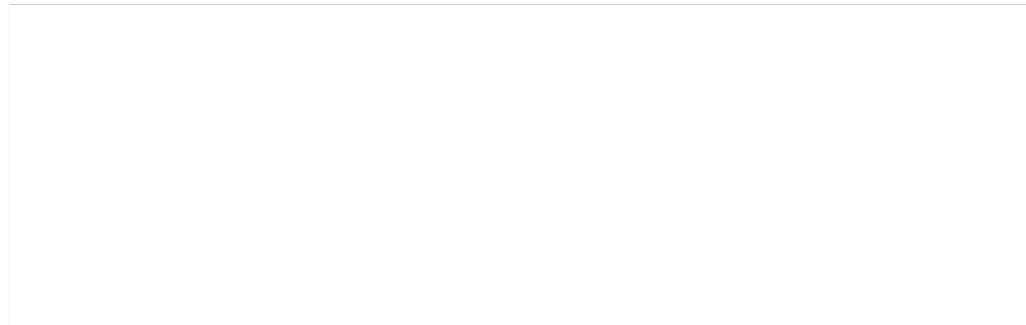
Dec. 03, 2018 The World Bosai Forum 2019 website is launched.

[What is the "World Bosai Forum" ?](#)

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Networking with local communities



Agreements

8th February 2013	Tagajo City
25th June 2013	Watari Town
12th July 2013	Iwanuma City
13th July 2013	Kesennuma City (Branch opened on 1st October 2013)
21st August 2013	Higashi-Matsushima City
24th December 2013	Yamamoto Town
9th January 2014	Sendai City
7th February 2014	Rikuzen-Takata City

Networking with the Universities in the affected areas

- Tsunami disaster
- Disaster medical science

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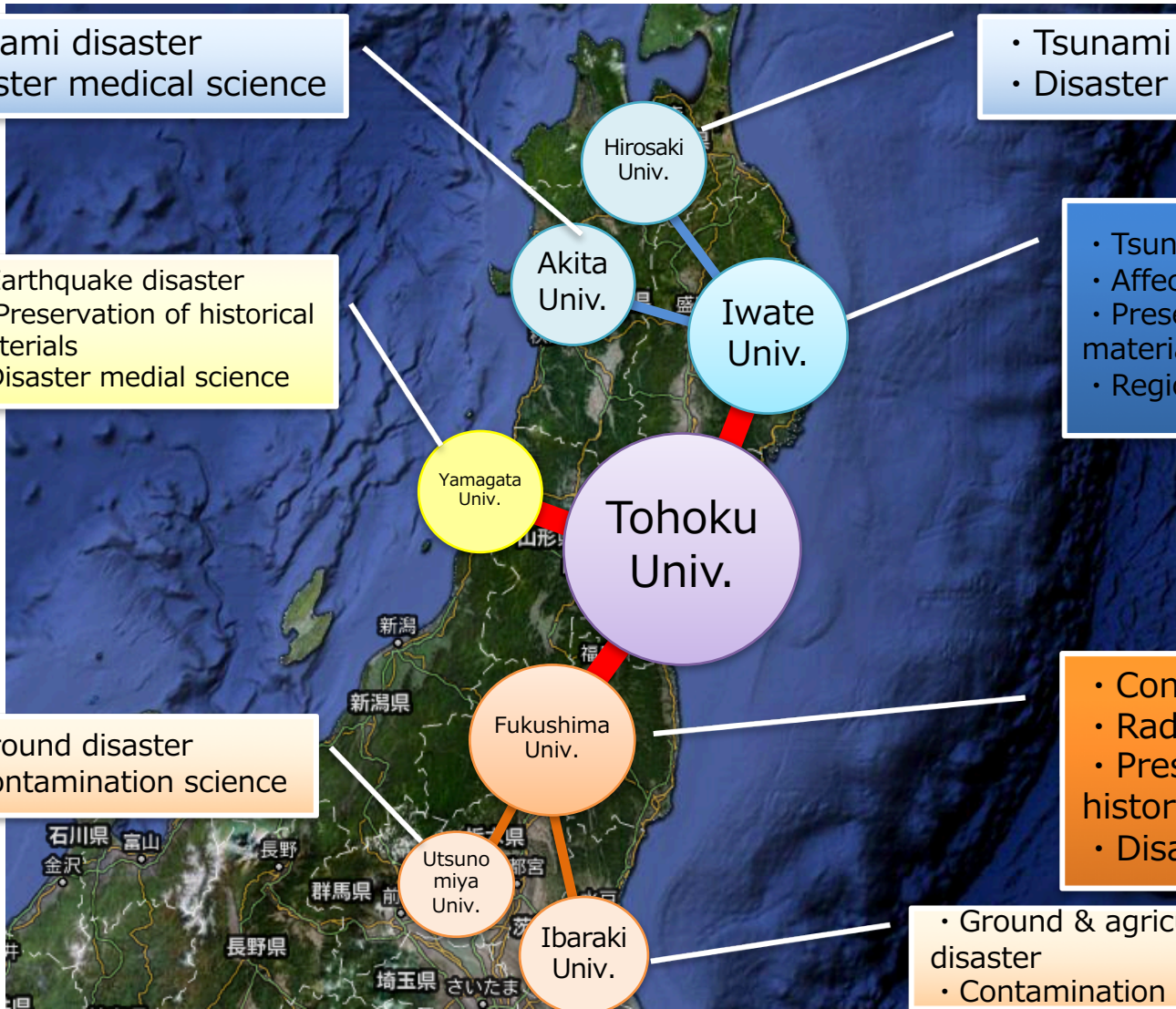
- Earthquake disaster
- Preservation of historical materials
- Disaster medial science

- Tsunami disaster
- Affected area supportology
- Preservation of historical materials
- Regional reconstruction plan

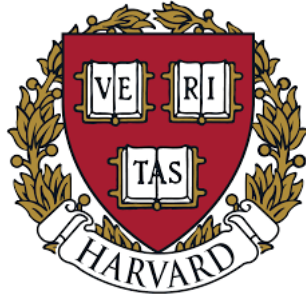
- Ground disaster
- Contamination science

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- Radiation observation
- Preservation of historical materials
- Disaster Robotics

- Ground & agricultural disaster
- Contamination science



International collaborators



DLR Deutsches Zentrum
für Luft- und Raumfahrt
German Aerospace Center



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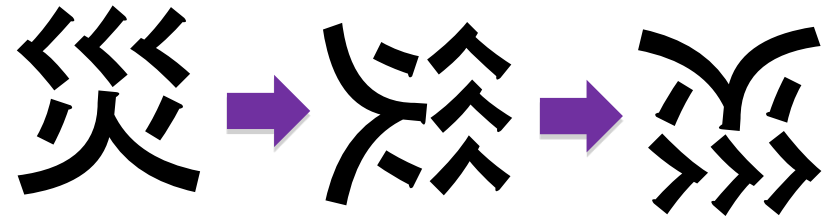
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Our Logo



Name

IRIDeS (Plural form of Iris), Symbol of hope and dignity

Logo meaning

It is the deformed image of the Japanese character of disaster (災, wazawai) turned upside down, based on the idea of Japanese saying "Turn your misfortune to fortune" (Good comes out of evil.).

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