

Japan-Indonesia Tsunami Archives Visit Exchange (2016/2/20-25)

Theme: Tsunami Digital Archives Exchange
 Place: Banda Aceh, Indonesia

The main objective of this visit was to introduce Ms Akiko Kawauchi, a representative of the diet's archives of the 2011 Great East Japan Disaster the members of diet library (Hinagiku), to the tsunami digital archive project in Aceh (DATA).

On her first day in Aceh, Ms. Kawauchi and Dr. Boret visited the Aceh Tsunami Museum where she was welcomed by the general manager of the museum, Mr. Tomy Mulia Hasan. Mr. Hasan explained that the DATA project was indirectly part of a vast program for the revitalization of the museum carried in collaboration with the UNESCO office in Jakarta. The following day, they met Dr. Muzailin Affan and Dr. Nizamuddin JH of Syiah Kuala University and discussed the more technical side of the DATA project. While sharing her experience of the tsunami archives in Japan, Ms. Kawauchi warned the DATA team about the particular challenge of making disasters archives a useable and attractive tool for both the general public. During the remaining days of her stay, Dr. Boret introduced Ms. Kawauchi to other key actors of the project including the Tsunami and Disaster Mitigation Research Centre (TDMRC, Syiah Kuala Uni.), the Indonesian Red Cross (IRC) who accepted to take part in the project and a junior high school (SMP11).

Finally, Ms. Kawauchi and Dr. Boret took part in an exciting meeting for the creation of The 2004 Tsunami Archives as part of "Memory of the World", a UNESCO initiative. Ms. Kawauchi shared her experience with representatives of the National Archives of The Republic of Indonesia. Before returning to Japan, Ms. Kawauchi and the members of DATA concluded this first exchange by agreeing upon a visit to the disaster archives of the Japan's National Diet Library next spring in order to stimulate further exchange between Japan and Aceh tsunami digital archives.



Aceh Tsunami Museum



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