

## Memorandum of Understanding with the Aceh Tsunami Museum (Nov. 22, 2016)

Theme: Digital Archives and Disaster Risk Reduction  
Location: Hermes Palace Hotel, Banda Aceh, Indonesia

A collaborative agreement or Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the International Research Institute of Disaster Science (IRIDeS) and the Aceh Tsunami Museum at the “10<sup>th</sup> Aceh International Workshop And Expo on Sustainable Tsunami Disaster Recovery” Conference (AIWEST-DR), Banda Aceh, Indonesia. The cosigners were Mr. Reza Fahlevi, Head of the Culture and Tourism Office of the Aceh Provincial Government and Professor Fumihiko Imamura, Director of IRIDeS. The documents were ceremoniously handed over to the acting director Ms. Mira Yanti by Dr. Akihiro Shibayama during a disaster education workshop held at the Aceh Tsunami Museum on November 24, 2016.

The objective of the new partnership is to design and conduct collaborative activities on “Fostering International Standards and Collaborations for Disaster Digital Archives, Disaster Education and Disaster Risk Reduction”. The forthcoming initiatives include the creation of a Digital Archive of Tsunami in Aceh (DATA), the elaboration of a sustainable approach to DRR in tsunami areas, the promotion of the “World Tsunami Awareness Day”, the development of disaster tourism, and the exchange of DRR knowledge and technology between Japan and Indonesia.



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