On-line lecture provided to Indonesia Defense University (2020/6/17)

Theme: Indonesia Defense University, Great East Japan Earthquake, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction
Location: On-line

IRIDeS provided the on-line lecture to the Study Program of Disaster Management, Faculty of National Security, Indonesia Defense University on Wednesday 17th June 2020.

In the lecture, first, Prof. Fumihiko Imamura (Hazard and Risk Evaluation Research Division, Tsunami Engineering Research Field) delivered his lecture titled "The Contribution of IRIDeS to Build Disaster-Resilient and Sustainable Societies in Japan". He explained the findings and reconstruction from the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake, the latest research efforts and practical actions by IRIDeS. Also, he emphasized these researches are carried out fully bearing in mind of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction. After Prof. Imamura, Assoc. Prof. Yasuhiro Jibiki (Next Generation Volcano Researcher Development Program, Graduate School of Science, Tohoku University) briefed a topic of Natech (NAtural-hazard triggered TECHnological accidents). He addressed relationship between the Natech, the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and the preparedness for Nankai Trough Disaster. Further, he introduced a perspective of the Natech as global agenda, and the ASEAN efforts has already contained it in their disaster risk reduction.

Following the lecture parts, the discussions from participants were quite active. One of the examples of the questions from the students of Indonesia Defense University was an issue of evacuation in tsunami during the COVID-19 situations. Considering that Indonesia is prone to natural disasters, this question is very vital. Prof. Imamura, in his answer, noted that it is very clear that behavior of protecting lives is the most prioritized. After life-saving, we respond to quarantine control and health management at evacuation shelters. Another example relates with reconstruction of Great East Japan Earthquake. A student introduced a media reporting that Reconstruction Agency (Fukko-Cho) is not to be terminated as planned, but will be extended until 2031. The question intended to clarify the organizational settings for reconstruction implementation of the Government of Japan. Prof. Imamura and Assoc. Prof. Jibiki responded to the question, and explained the establishment process of the agency and the changes of its role and priorities.

18 faculty staffs and 30 students of Indonesia Defense University participated in the on-line lecture.

On-line lecture implementation
Group photo with the participants

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