Symposium Held in Sendai Marking One Year Until APMCDRR (2026/11/7)

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On Saturday, November 7, 2026, "One-Year-Out Symposium for the Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (APMCDRR) in Sendai" was held. Hosted by the City of Sendai—the host city for the upcoming APMCDRR scheduled for October 25–27, 2027—the symposium welcomed approximately 200 participants. Professor Shunichi Koshimura, Director of our institute, Citing TsunamiCast—the world's first real-time tsunami inundation and damage forecasting system developed by RTi-cast Inc., a Tohoku University spin-off startup—he emphasized the importance of implementing disaster risk reduction (DRR) technologies into society as a sustainable industry, both in Japan and abroad.

Furthermore, Professor Koshimura unveiled a new initiative to establish a cross-sector DRR platform as an official side event of APMCDRR. Incorporating the financial sector alongside industry, government, academia, and the public, this initiative—spearheaded by our Institute in collaboration with the National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience (NIED) and the national government—aims to promote the global deployment of Japanese DRR technologies by matching participating government officials with Japanese companies and researchers.



Director Koshimura delivering his keynote speech

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