

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON THE FUKUSHIMA DIALOGUE INITIATIVE
2015 DECEMBER 12-13, DATE CITY, FUKUSHIMA, JAPAN

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

International Workshop on the Fukushima Dialogue Initiative

“Rehabilitation of Living Conditions after the Nuclear Accident”

Date City Silk Hall, Fukushima Prefecture, 2015 December 12-13



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BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVE

Background

In its recommendations for the protection of people living in long term contaminated areas after a nuclear accident, the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) emphasises the importance of directly involving the affected population and local professionals in the rehabilitation of living conditions. The responsibility authorities and experts to create conditions and provide means favouring the support and empowerment of the population is key to this involvement.

In this context ICRP, together with Radiation Safety Forum Japan, began the ICRP Fukushima Dialogue Initiative in November 2011 to transfer experience from communities effected by Chernobyl, facilitate discussions between stakeholders, and deeply understand the challenges in order to improve future ICRP recommendations. This initiative has brought together: local residents and professionals; representatives of villages, towns, the prefecture, national agencies, NGOs, and other Japanese organisations; representatives of Belarusian, Norwegian, and French organisations with direct experience in managing long term consequences of the Chernobyl accident; and, representatives of international agencies. Together, they find ways to respond to the challenges of the long term rehabilitation of living conditions in areas affected by the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant accident.

Objective of this Workshop

The objective of this Workshop is to share the experiences and main lessons of the ICRP Fukushima Dialogue Initiative, focusing on the twelve main dialogue meetings held between November 2011 and September 2015 at various locations in Fukushima Prefecture.

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FORMAT AND AGENDA

The workshop consists of invited presentations by citizens and representative organizations having actively participated in the Dialogue Initiative, followed by panel discussions. The presentations and discussions will be held in English and Japanese with simultaneous interpretation.

Saturday December 12

- 08:00 Registration
- 09:00 Welcome
- 09:20 Session 1: What is the situation in Fukushima today?
What has been achieved so far?
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Session 1 (cont.)
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Suwa Shrine Festival Drummers
- 14:30 Session 2: Testimonies from Dialogue participants - Part 1
- 16:00 Break
- 16:30 Session 2 (cont.)
- 18:30 Reception

Sunday December 13

- 08:30 Session 3: Lessons learned by participating organizations
- 10:00 Coffee break
- 10:30 Session 3 (cont.)
- 12:00 Lunch
- 13:00 Session 4: Testimonies from Dialogue participants - Part 2
- 14:30 Break
- 15:00 Session 4 (cont.)
- 16:30 Summary of the workshop
- 17:00 End

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REGISTRATION AND LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

Registration

Advance registration is strongly recommended as space is limited. There is no registration fee.

For more information, or to register, please contact:

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Accommodations

The most convenient hotels are located in Fukushima City.

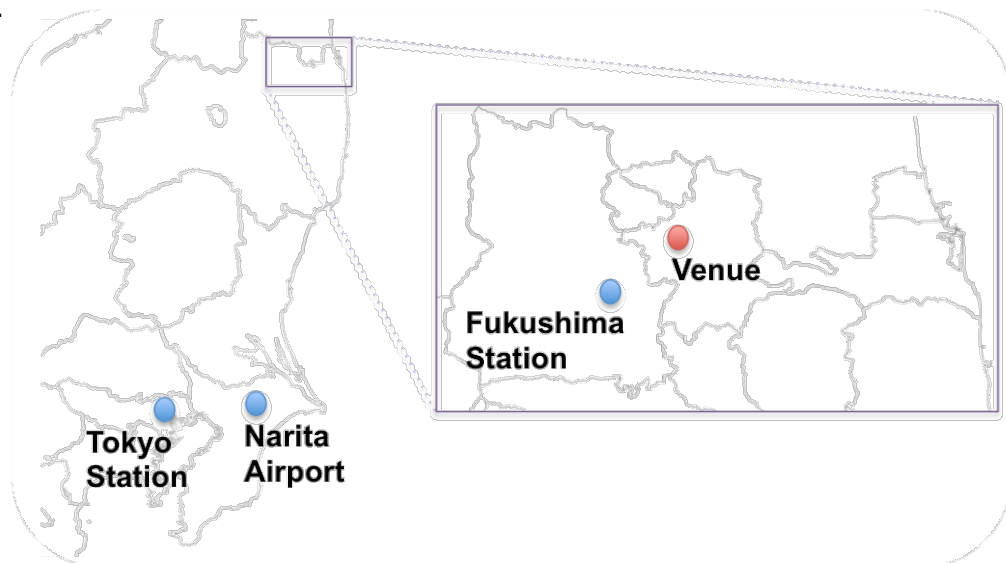
Travel Information

Fukushima City is easily reached from Tokyo Station in under two hours by direct and frequent trains (Japan Railway Shinkansen Super Express).

Travel between Narita Airport and Tokyo Station takes about one hour by direct train or express bus. Travel between Haneda Airport and Tokyo Station is slightly shorter, by train or taxi.

Directions to the Venue

Date City Silk Hall is reached from Fukushima Station (in Fukushima City) by a 20 minute train journey (Abukuma Express) to Oizumi Station, followed by a 5-10 minute walk.



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