

Greece – Japan Flood Mitigation Online Workshop 2023

Organized by the Greek Government and the National Research Institute for
Earth Science and Disaster Resilience (NIED) Japan

Date/time: 27 October (Friday), 09:30-11:30 (Greece time) 15:30-17:30 (Japan time)
Participants: Experts in flood mitigation and DRR, officers from related government agencies
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Agenda: **times are in Greece time; times in parenthesis are in Japan time*

09:30-09:35 (15:30-15:35)	Introduction (5 min)	Shohei MATSUURA, National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience (NIED)
09:35-09:40 (15:35-15:40)	Welcoming remarks (5 min)	Kaoru TAKARA, President, NIED
09:40-09:45 (15:40-15:45)	Opening message (5 min)	H.E. Yasunori NAKAYAMA Ambassador of Japan to Greece
09:45-09:50 (15:45-15:50)	Opening remarks (5 min)	-H.E. Akis Skertsos, Minister of State -H.E. Vasilis Kikilias, Minister of Climate Crisis and Civil Protection -H.E. Nikos Tachiaos, Deputy Minister of Infrastructure and Transport
09:50-10:05 (15:50-16:05)	1. Briefing on post-flood situation in Greece and topics of interest (15 min)	-H.E. Nikos Tachiaos -P. Kampouris, Secretary General for Restoration of Natural Disasters and State Aid -A. Antonakos, Head of Natural Disasters Department at the Ministry of Climate Crisis and Civil Protection
10:05-10:15 (16:05-16:15)	2. Water and flood management in Greece (10 min)	Petros Varelidis, Secretary General of Natural Environment and Water
10:15-10:30 (16:15-16:30)	3. Flood management policy in Japan (15 min)	Kiichi IKEHARA, International Affairs Office, River Planning Division, Water and Disaster Management Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT)
10:30-10:45 (16:30-16:45)	4. Research on flood hazard risk analysis and online synthesis system for sustainability and resilience (15 min)	Hisashi MITSUHASHI, Deputy Director, International Centre for Water Hazard and Risk Management (ICHARM), Public Work Research Institute (PWRI)

10:45-11:00 (16:45-17:00)	5. Disaster information management for strengthening disaster response and early understanding of onsite situation (15 min)	Hitoshi TAGUCHI, Chief Researcher, Disaster Information Research Division, NIED
11:00-11:15 (17:00-17:15)	6. Overview of landslide/debris flow monitoring and management in Japan (15 min)	Naoki SAKAI, Principal Chief Researcher, Storm, Flood and Landslide Research Division, NIED
11:15-11:30 (17:15-17:30)	Discussion: Identifying gaps and challenges in flood control measures in Greece and moving forward (15 min)	All participants (Facilitation by NIED)
	Closing	

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Topics of interest from Greece side:

1. Developing an early warning system (EWS) for flooding
2. Automated water monitoring system requirements
3. Strengthening governance and coordination
4. Developing hazard maps for flooding and landslide risks
5. Carrying out an evaluation of problems of current flood protection system
6. Potential technologies for river monitoring, intelligent water control and avoiding debris flow blockages