

International Advanced Training Course
Nagasaki University – Kawauchi Village Reconstruction Promotion Base
Fukushima Prefecture, Japan

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

International Advanced Training Course on Stakeholder Engagement for Recovery After Nuclear Disasters

Kawauchi Village, Fukushima Prefecture, 11-13 March 2020



Organized by Nagasaki University

in cooperation with :

Fukushima Medical University,
Fukushima University, Higashi Nippon International University
and
the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP)



BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVE

Background

Kawauchi Village is located within 30 km of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station. Following the sheltering instructions issued by authorities almost all residents of the village evacuated. Once the situation stabilized at the nuclear power station, the village authorities decided in March 2012 to authorize the return of the inhabitants given the relatively low level of contamination. To date about 80% of Kawauchi residents have returned to their homes. Since 2011, Nagasaki University has been cooperating with Kawauchi stakeholders. Initially focused on the evaluation of the village radiological situation, cooperation gradually expanded to estimate the exposures of villagers and dialogue with them regarding radiological risk. In April 2013 Nagasaki University and Kawauchi Village established a satellite facility of the University: the Nagasaki University - Kawauchi Village Reconstruction Promotion Base.

Objective

The objective of the course is to acquire knowledge and practical experience of the model developed by Nagasaki University in cooperation with the Kawauchi village to support the rehabilitation of the living conditions in the affected areas by the Fukushima accident. The model combines cooperation with the local authorities and professionals, dialogue with the affected population and the implementation of an inclusive radiation monitoring system based on advanced technological devices. Its aim is to empower the affected people to make informed decisions about their protection and life choices based on understanding the local radiological conditions. It is an effective and indispensable complement to the recovery programme implemented by the national authorities.

This proven model, which also supports risk communication and the restoration of the well being and quality of the living together in the affected communities, is a good illustration of the 'co-expertise process' recommended by ICRP to engage stakeholders in the implementation of the optimisation of radiological protection in the recovery phase after nuclear accident. It is now being implemented in Tomioka and Okuma Towns located near the nuclear power plant being dismantled.

FORMAT AND AGENDA

The course consists of presentations by Nagasaki University Professors and interviews with local stakeholders having actively participated in the recovery process in Kawauchi village and Tomioka town. Presentations and discussions will be held in English or Japanese with simultaneous interpretation.

Arrival in Tomioka town via and Koriyama on Tuesday 10 March

Wednesday 11 March

09:00 – 11:00	Welcome Watching the video : 'Return to Kawauchi village' Lectures
11:00 - 12:15	Lunch
13:00 - 14:30	Visit of the TEPCO Decommissioning Museum
15:00 - 17:00	Lectures

Thursday 12 March

09:00 - 10:30	Meeting with the Kawauchi municipality
11:00 - 12:00	Visit of a decontamination waste storage site
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:00	Measurements of ambient radiation levels around a resident house and the nearby forest
16:30 - 17:30	Visit of the Kawauchi food monitoring centre

Friday 13 March

08:30 - 10:30	Tour of Tomioka town
10:30 - 11:30	Visit of the Tomioka food monitoring centre
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch
13:00 - 16:00	Synthesis of the training course Sharing the lessons learned General discussion

Departure to Koriyama and Tokyo

PARTICIPANTS AND LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

Participants

The training course is for post-doc students and young professionals involved in research or preparedness work related to the recovery process after a nuclear accident. The number of participants will be limited to 20.

Financial support

Participating to the advanced training is without fees, but travel and accommodation costs are borne by participants. A financial support for the accommodation costs may be granted. Interested participants can make a motivated request to the secretariat.

Accommodation

All participants will stay at the Hojinkan Hotel in Tomioka town: <https://hojinkan.jp/tomioka/>

Direction to the venue



Registration

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