

TOHOKU REGION-REBUILDING FOR A BETTER TOMORROW



Tohoku's Expressway system was cut by the earthquake. In just one week, the roads had been repaired & traffic was flowing again.



Aircraft return to the skies. Sendai Airport, gateway to Tohoku, was buried under tsunami rubble, just one month later, the airport resumed operations.



In the face of disaster, people reached out to help other in greater distress. Survived thanks to assistance gladly given by strangers.



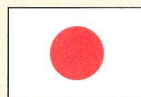
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"Tohoku Region-Rebuilding for a Better Tomorrow"

Venue: Dataran Sastera, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, University of Malaya, KL

Date & Time: 7th – 9th March 2012, 9am – 5pm

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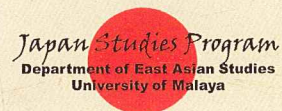


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JAPANESE PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES ON THE GREAT EAST JAPAN EARTHQUAKE:

JAPAN'S RECOVERY & REVIVAL FROM THE DISASTER



Date : **Monday, 12th March 2012**

Time : **9.00 am - 12.30 pm**

Venue: **Dewan Kuliah B,**

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences,
University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur

Public Lecture by:

Mr. TAKASHIMA Hatsuhsu
Professor OHASHI Masaaki

Open to ALL

FREE ADMISSION



Biodata of 1st Speaker



Mr. Hatsuhsa Takashima

Mr. Hatsuhsa Takashima, a Special Advisor of Japan International Broadcasting Inc., has been a television journalist, governmental spokesman, UN official and university professor during his long career. He was born in September 1st, 1940 in Tokyo and graduated from Political Science & Economics from Gakushuin University in 1963. He started his career with NHK, Japan Broadcasting Corporation in 1963 and since then he has assumed various posts including NHK Washington Correspondent, NHK London Bureau Chief, Foreign Editor, Chief Commentator and Director-General of NHK News.

At the age of 60 years, he was appointed as the Director of the United Nations Information Centre in Tokyo and 2 years later as the Press Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. After 3 years as the Chief spokesman at the Ministry, he moved to Law School of Gakushuin University as a Special Visiting Professor. He was also appointed as the Special Advisor for the Rector of the United Nations University.

In September 2008, he became the President and Chief Executive Officer of Japan International Broadcasting Incorporated (JIB), which is a newly established NHK subsidiary to start 24-hour television service in English language for the viewers in the world.

He resigned the Presidency of JIB in June 2011, and became the Special Advisor of the company. He has written several books, and last summer, he co-authored a book entitled "Game Over, The End of American Globalization" which was published by Random House Kodansha.

Programme

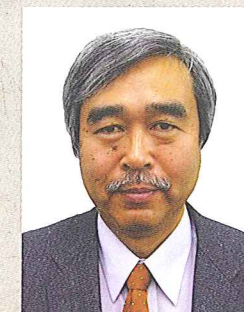
- 09:00: Registration & Arrival of Guest
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- 09:30: Welcome Remarks by UM Representative
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- 09:33: Opening Remarks by EOJ Representative
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- 09:35: Introduction of 1st Speaker
-Mr. Takashima Hatsuhsa-
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- 09:40: 1st Public lecture
"What Happened at the Site on 3.11"
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- 10:40: Q&A Session
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- 10:55: Introduction of 2nd Speaker
-Professor Ohashi Masaaki-
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- 11:00: 2nd Public Lecture
"The Great East Japan Earthquake and Japanese NGO's Endeavors for its Relief & Revival"
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- 12:00: Q&A Session
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- 12:15: Refreshment



Summary of the Lecture

A devastating magnitude 9.0 earthquake hit the coast of northern part of Japan and triggered a tsunami that sent waves as far as six miles inland swallowing houses and towns in March 11, 2011 and the subsequent and inexperienced nuclear accident caused tens of thousands casualties and hundreds of thousand evacuees in the Eastern Japan. As Japan approaches the first year anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami of March 11, 2011, are there any lessons to be learned from the tragedy?

Biodata of 2nd Speaker



Professor Ohashi Masaaki

Ohashi Masaaki is a Professor of International Development Studies, NGO Studies and South Asia Studies of Keio University, Japan and a Chairperson of the JAPAN NGO Center for International Cooperation (JANIC). He was born in 1953 in Japan. Professor Ohashi Masaaki received his B.A in Economics from Waseda University, Tokyo Japan in 1978, Advanced Diploma in Hindi, Central Institute of Hindi, New Delhi, India in 1981 and Master of Professional Studies (Agriculture), International Agriculture & Rural Development Program in 1990 from Cornell University, New York, USA.

Professor Ohashi worked with "Shapla Neer=Citizens' Committee in Japan for Overseas Support" from 1980. He also spent two and a half years in Dhaka as the Director of Shapla Neer's operations in Bangladesh, and acted as Secretary General from 1982-1987. He became Deputy Head of Delegation and Development Delegate in Bangladesh for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in 1990-1993.

He became university professor since 1993. At the same time, he participated in the Kosovo refugee relief operation in Albania as a delegate of the International Federation of Red Cross and Crescent Societies.

He published and edited a number of books and manuscripts on NGO issues and he is also an author and co-author of numerous articles in professional journals. His publications include:

- *Globalization, Reform Actor and NGO* (Global Ka, Henkaku-Syutai, NGO) Co-author, Shin-Hyoron, Tokyo, 2011.
- *Bangladesh in 60 Chapters* (Bangladesh Wo Shirutameno 60 Sho) second edition, co-editor/author, Akashi Shoten, Tokyo, 2009
- *South Asia through connections with Japan* (Nihontono tunagaridemiru Minami Asia), co-editor/author, Iwasaki Shoten, Tokyo, 2003