



## The Global Promotion Committee of The International Programme on Landslides (IPL)

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To Members of IPL Global Promotion Committee

### The First Announcement of WLF-II (draft) and Chairperson of the Organizing Committee

Dear Colleagues of IPL-GPC,

The Global Promotion Committee of the International Programme on Landslides (IPL-GPC) was established in 2007 as a thematic platform on landslides following the 2005 Hyogo Framework of Action and the 2006 Tokyo Action Plan "Strengthening Research and Learning on Landslides and Related Earth System Disasters for Global Risk Preparedness". Members of IPL-GPC are ICL members, ICL Supporting Organizations which have exchanged MoU to cooperate with IPL or Governments and Entities which provide Subvention to IPL.

The Steering Committee of ICL was organized at FAO on 19-20 May 2009. During this meeting, Prof. Paolo Canuti, President of ICL was recommended to the IPL-GPC as the Chairperson of the Organizing Committee of the Second World Landslide Forum (WLF-II). The 4<sup>th</sup> Session of IPL-GPC will be organized on 18-19 November 2009 at UNESCO Headquarters, Paris. However, the Second Session of the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction will be organized by the UN-ISDR in Geneva on 16-19 June 2009. It is the best opportunity we may inform the outline of the Second World Landslide Forum (WLF-II) to the participants and to obtain their supports.

I have made a draft announcement of WLF-II based on the discussion at the Steering Committee of ICL at FAO, two names were written as the Organizing Committee members; Prof. Paolo Canuti (President of ICL) as the chairperson and Mr. Sálvano Briceño (Chairperson of the IPL-GPC) as a honorary chairperson.

I request you to approve this recommendation. I will attach the information of 4<sup>th</sup> IPL-GPC (sent to you on 28 March 2009). If you have not yet replied your participation, please send it back to me.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kyoji Sassa'.

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