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To All ICL and IPL colleagues,

The Establishment of ISDR-ICL Sendai Partnerships 2015-2025
for global promotion of understanding and reducing landslide disaster risk

Dear Colleagues,

ICL and IPL group has made efforts to found a stronger and wider global platform for further development of ICL and IPL activities through ICL-IPL Conference 2013 and the 3rd World Landslide Forum 2014. We organized the ICL-IPL Sendai Partnerships Conference on 11-15 March 2015 in Sendai, Japan.

Based on this examination, a new ISDR-ICL Sendai Partnerships was proposed and accepted at the Session “Underlying Risk Factors” of the World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in the morning of 16 March 2015. It was agreed and signed in the afternoon on 16 March 2015 by 16 intergovernmental, international and national organizations involved in this field as below.

1. International Consortium on Landslides (ICL)
2. United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)
3. United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
4. Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
5. United Nations University (UNU)
6. International Council for Science (ICSU)
7. World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO)
8. International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS)
9. International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG)
10. Cabinet Office, Government of Japan (CAO)
12. Kyoto University
13. Science Council of Japan
14. National Civil Protection Department, Italian Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Government of Italy
15. National Protection and Rescue Directorate, Republic of Croatia
16. Global Risk Forum GRF Davos
Fig. 1 Signing ceremony of ISDR-ICL Sendai Partnerships 2015-2025

**Front (left to right):** Sorrenti Ambra (for Franco Gabrielli, Italian Civil Protection), Irasema Alcantara-Ayala (for Gordon Mcbean, ICSU), Srikantha Herath (for Kazuhiko Takeuchi, UNU), Roland Oberhansli (IUGS), Kaoru Saito (Cabinet Office, Japan), Giuseppe Arduino (for Qunli Han, UNESCO), Kyoji Sassa (ICL), Margareta Wahlström (UNISDR), Dominique Burgeon (FAO), Robert Mikac (for Croatia Civil Protection), Takashi Onishi (Science Council of Japan), Alik Ismail-Zedeh (IUGG), Kaoru Takara (for Kayo Inaba, Kyoto University).

**Back (left to right):** Hiroshi Fukuoka (ICL), Nicola Casagli (ICL), Yuki Matsuoka (UNISDR), Alexandros Makarigakis (UNESCO), Toshimitsu Komatsu (WFEO), Satoru Nishikawa (Water Agency, Japan), Badaoui Rouhban (IPL-ICL), Paolo Canuti (ICL), Yueping Yin (ICL), Matjaz Mikos (ICL)

**Left Bottom:** Qunli Han (UNESCO) and Franco Gabrielli (Italian Civil Protection)
The Sendai Partnerships include all ICL member organizations in its ANNEX. Please check it. It will be updated every year. Current list is as of 1 April 2015. Some members asked the next BOR meeting. Our next BOR meeting will be organized from 8-11 March 2016 in Kyoto, Japan. I will send the detailed announcement of this later.

With best regards,

Kyoji Sassa

Attachment. An article on the ISDR-ICL Sendai Partnerships contributed to Landslides