

## Welcome from the APRIA 2011 Tokyo Organizing Committee



Dear APRIA members and friends,

Welcome to the 2011 Tokyo Conference of the Asia-Pacific Risk and Insurance Association (APRIA). On behalf of the Conference Organizing Committee, I would like to offer my sincere and warm welcome to each and every participant.

This year the host city for the Conference, Tokyo, has been facing extreme hardship as a result of the major earthquake that hit Japan on March 11. We are also affected by the accident at Fukushima Nuclear Plant One. You can access up-to-date information about the Great East Japan Earthquake from the following Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan website as well as other competent agencies such as the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) and IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency):

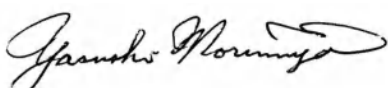
<http://www.mofa.go.jp/index.html>; <http://www.nisa.meti.go.jp/english/index.html>;  
<http://www.iaea.org/newscenter/news/tsunamiupdate01.html>;  
<http://www.iaea.org/newscenter/news/tsunamiupdate01.html>.

For the committee is responsible also for your safety, we continue to monitor all economic and environmental developments in the area and the findings are evaluated and discussed at the monthly meeting of the committee. Very fortunately, the risk has been greatly reduced and more than 33 million citizens in metro Tokyo have resumed their normal daily activities. All universities in the area are open as well.

We are confident that Tokyo will be a much safer place in the months ahead and thus have decided to stay responsible and go ahead as planned for the Tokyo Conference. With your support, we can make this experience an opportunity to discuss and exchange ideas face to face from various theoretical and practical points of views. Indeed, the support from you, experts in Insurance and Risk Management, is what we in the academia and industry in Japan would like to secure – at little risk to you.

APRIA is a superb learned society through which we can gather, communicate and develop academic and practical applications to advance the learning for the brighter future. It is a great honor that Meiji University in Tokyo, Japan has been chosen twice as the host institution of the APRIA Conference. We will do our best to make it one of the most impressive conferences in the history of APRIA.

Looking forward to greeting you in person!



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