



# GADRI

Global Alliance of  
Disaster Research Institutes

## Vision

To deepen the understanding of disasters and find implementable solutions to achieve a disaster resilient world, by integrating knowledge and technologies from around the world.

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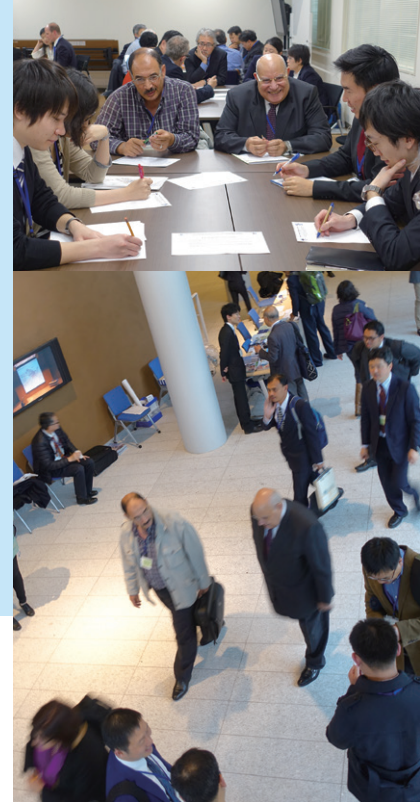
Based on the initiatives presented at the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction held in Sendai, Japan in March 2015, the Global Alliance of Disaster Research Institutes (GADRI) was established to support the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 (SFDRR) and the work of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Group of the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR).

GADRI is a forum for sharing knowledge and promoting collaboration on topics related to disaster risk reduction and resilience to disasters.

## Objectives

To achieve the above purpose, GADRI has the following objectives:

- To establish a global research network
- To provide a research road map, and plans and organization of disaster research groups
- To promote capacity development of disaster research institutes and enhance researcher and student exchange
- To promote exchange and sharing of data and information for scientific research across the globe
- To serve as an advocacy organization to present views in an effort to influence decision-making processes



## Activities

To reach the proposed objectives, GADRI will engage in general key activities with its member institutions as follows:

- Planning and organization of collaborative disaster risk research initiatives
- Formation of international research groups to investigate current global disasters, and implement new research methodologies
- Establishment of an international network for timely communication related to natural disaster research
- Organization of conferences, workshops and meetings
- Dissemination and sharing of information, publications, reports, data, etc.
- Facilitating rapid reconnaissance field surveys following disasters
- Preparation of GADRI news releases, policy recommendations, news bulletins, research reports, and other publications

# Projects

## 1 Flagship Projects

Projects which aim at development of methodologies, information platforms and materials which can be shared among GADRI members.

...e.g. Risk Assessment Platform, Capacity Building

## 2 Thematic Projects

Projects concerned with research topics to enhance collaboration between members of GADRI who share interests in the same thematic research fields.

...e.g. NaTech Research, Seismic Risk Mitigation, Geohazard Risk Reduction, Climate Change Adaptation

## 3 Transdisciplinary and Region Specific Projects

Projects concerned with case studies to solve real world problems in a specific area.

...e.g. Flash Floods and Water Resources Management in the Arabic Region

***GADRI activities are not limited to research projects!***

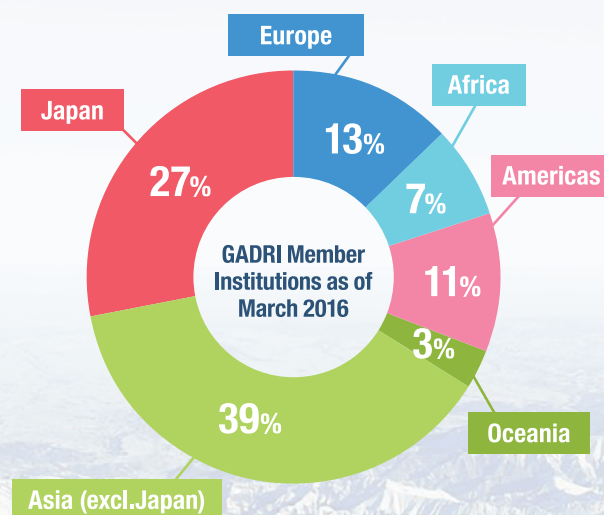
# Organizational Structure

The structure of GADRI includes a General Assembly, a Board of Directors, and a Secretariat. The Secretariat facilitates and organizes GADRI activities. Currently, the Disaster Prevention Research Institute (DPRI) of Kyoto University serves as the Secretariat to initiate these activities.

## Members

More than 91 member institutions have joined GADRI - 69 universities and 22 others from 27 states (Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Egypt, France, Germany, Indonesia, Iran, Italy, Japan, Rep. Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Nepal, New Zealand, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, UK, USA), including UN agencies such as UNISDR, UNESCO and UNU.

Membership of GADRI is open to institutes / organizations / networks working with an aim to contribute to disaster risk reduction and disaster resilience.



# Member Institutions of the Board of Directors

## Europe and Africa

- European Commission, Joint Research Center (JRC)
- International Institute for Applied System Analysis (IIASA)
- Disaster and Development Network (DDN), Northumbria University

## Asia and Oceania

- International Research Institute of Disaster Science (IRIDeS), Tohoku University
- National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Prevention (NIED)
- National Science and Technology Center for Disaster Reduction (NCDR)
- GNS Science

## Americas

- Disaster Risk Research, Institute of Geography, National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)
- Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado, Boulder
- Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research Center (PEER), National Information Service for Earthquake Engineering, University of California, Berkeley

## Secretariat

Disaster Prevention Research Institute (DPRI), Kyoto University

## A Message from the GADRI Secretary-General

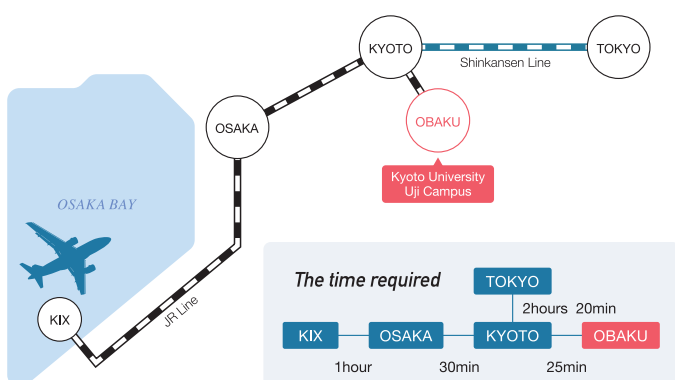
The Global Alliance of Disaster Research Institutes (GADRI) was established as an outcome of the Second Global Summit of Research Institutes for Disaster Risk Reduction held at Kyoto University, Japan in March 2015.

We are young and active. Currently, over 91 member institutions from around the world have joined GADRI.

While striving to accomplish our vision of GADRI, our expectation from you is to identify the status of current research gaps in your area of research to achieve disaster risk reduction in the real world; assist us to establish a road map to reduce the identified gaps; and help develop a concept note for the projects of GADRI.

Membership is free and we welcome you to join and continue to work together with us to accomplish the objectives set out by GADRI.

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