



World Conference on Disaster Reduction
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Title	Sustainable Glass System to Protect People from Natural Disasters
Organizations	Flat Glass Manufacturers Association of Japan (FGMAJ)
Speakers	高松 伸 氏 (建築家、京都大学教授) 田中 辰巳 氏 (株リスクヘッジ代表取締役) 高原 正弘 氏 (板硝子協会 調査役)
Report	FGMAJ held the seminar in which mainly government officials, who are in charge of disaster prevention, and architects, who design the buildings for public use, can apprehend the sustainable glass system against natural disasters. Professor Takamatsu, who has recently adopted laminated glass for most of his works, explained his design concepts to build durable and sustainable structures, introducing his actual works. Mr. Tanaka, as a specialist for risk management, lectured about how companies and individuals should protect themselves from many potential risks including natural disasters. Finally FGMAJ made an explanation about how sustainable glass system could be effective in case of natural disasters, which can be broken but is hardly fallen apart, taking examples of Hanshin Big Earthquake and Hurricane in Florida.
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