



World Conference on Disaster Reduction

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Title	2 nd General Meeting of International Flood Network (IFNet)
Organizations	River Bureau of Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport/ Infrastructure Development Institute – Japan
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Report	International Flood Network (IFNet) 2nd General Meeting started with participation of about 60 people. Starting off with the opening address from the Chairperson, Mr. Tyagi and the Vice-Chairperson, Mr. Nunomura and Mr. Bleeker who was representing Mr. Laarhoven, the meeting continued with the activity report on IFNet since its 1st general meeting, determination on the future action plan including (1) to hold the next general meeting in conjunction with the 4 th World Water Forum in Mexico, (2) Flood Disasters Reduction Action Report towards policy proposal, (3) Development plan of Global Flood Alert System (GFAS), (4) Enhancement of network and coordination with other organizations, (5) Dissemination of the significance on flood problems, and (6) Communication and exchange of information. Activity reports from the 8 IFNet participants who are engaged in flood problems followed and finally the recommendations from IFNet were discussed. Active exchange of opinions with the participants concluded to an approval of the future plan and finalization of the Recommendations by IFNet, "Towards Flood Disasters Reduction".
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