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Subject: Approval for the establishment of IRDR ICoE for Coherence among Disaster Risk Reduction, Climate Change Adaptation, and Sustainable Development

Dear Professor Haruo Hayashi,

The Scientific Committee (SC) of the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk (IRDR) has reviewed your proposal to establish, under IRDR National Committee (NC) Japan, an IRDR International Centre of Excellence (ICoE) for Coherence among Disaster Risk Reduction, Climate Change Adaptation and Sustainable Development (IRDR ICoE-Coherence in abbreviation). It is our great pleasure to inform you officially that this proposal has been unanimously approved at the 26th session of IRDR SC meeting, held on 19 October 2021.

The SC considers that the ICoE proposal addresses an important cross-cutting area in risk research, which is fully in line with IRDR's strategic objectives. The SC also sees a well-designed consortium to engage with research partners with clear complementarity of expertise and a plan of action. The SC encourages the ICoE to pursue its plan in research and capacity building and contribute to the implementation of the Sendai Framework, SDGs, the Paris Agreement and the new Research Framework, and to develop cooperation with other existing IRDR ICoEs and DRR partners.

We expect that the new ICoE will keep the SC and IRDR community well informed of its activities and publications, and to share its research results, achievements, and opportunities for cooperation. Please send your news items to connect@irdrinternational.org.

With heartfelt congratulations, we welcome the IRDR ICoE-Coherence to join the IRDR Community and look forward to working with you and your teams.

Yours sincerely,

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