



An Overview of the Koukyo Network Association

Through the promotion of cooperation between individuals involved in industry, government, academia, and other specialist professions, the Koukyo Network Association (KNA) conducts research and other activities related to domestic and overseas issues of public concern, risk management, earthquake disaster reconstruction and so forth from the viewpoint of maintaining security and social stability.

The KNA consists of an independent network formed between national government and local authorities, and membership is comprised of specialist professionals and researchers, including current and former government officials, lawyers, administrative scribes, judicial scribes, certified tax accountants, certified social insurance labor consultants, land and building inspectors, and real estate appraisers.

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■ Purpose and Activities

Japan's high levels of social stability and public order have long been considered a national asset. In the wake of the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami disaster, it must be determined how this stability can be maintained into the future.

Building on the results of disaster prevention activities developed after the Great Hanshin Earthquake (1995), the Koukyo Network Association was established in December 2011 through coordination between industry, academia, government and other specialist professions to conduct studies on various issues of public concern both domestically and internationally, risk management, and earthquake disaster reconstruction from a social stability and safety perspective, in addition to the collation, organization, and analysis of information related to these areas. It disseminates the results of its findings and proposes policy in order to contribute to Japan's social stability and public order through the following means:

1. Conducting research concerning public affairs, risk management, and post disaster recovery.
2. Collection, organization, and analysis of information regarding public affairs, risk management, and post disaster recovery.
3. Dissemination of outcomes, policy advocacy, etc., related to the above.
4. Conducting events, campaigns, symposiums, etc., related to public affairs, risk management, and post disaster recovery.
5. Establishment and operation of body to implement alternative dispute resolution mechanisms related to public affairs, risk management, and post disaster recovery, in addition to conducting research and promotion of matters related to alternative dispute resolution.
6. Collaborating and conducting exchanges between research institutions in Japan and overseas.
7. All business incidental or related to the business listed in the preceding items.

■ Committee Activity

- ◇ Crisis Management Committee: Conducting Crisis Management Exchange meeting
- ◇ Crime/Disaster Prevention Committee: Conducts activities based on themes of crime/disaster prevention.
 - Risk Management Seminar
 - Promotion of collaborative research with the Graduate School of Engineering, Osaka University
- ◇ Specialist Professional Network Committee: Management of the Public Law Practice Association and oversees various alliances and cooperative activities.
- ◇ International Exchange Committee: Through tie-ups between international agencies, foreign embassies in Japan, and overseas universities and research institutes, conducts seminars and overseas inspection tours.
- ◇ As a continuation of the activities of the Kasuikai Club (Research Institute of Kasuikai), conduct study groups that focus on domestic and international affairs.
- ◇ Institute for Public Policy: Dedicated to the development of seminars and so on aimed at practitioners that are involved in issues related to public administration and the planning of public policy.

List of Association Officers (April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016)

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Planning Committee	
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Osaka Branch Manager	Takemitsu Okushita Fmr. Secretary, Office of Kiichi Miyazawa/Fmr. Secretary, Office of Aisawa Ichiro/Fmr. Secretary to former Osaka Mayor, Toru Hashimoto

■ **Risk Management Seminar: Future Plans (Details to be announced on website as they are determined)**

◇ June 2016 – February 2017

Risk Management Seminar 2016 (Osaka Preliminary Session/Plenary Session/Subcommittee/Symposium)

◇ Other planned events

◆ **Study Group Record (Partial)**

Jul. 2011	Disaster Response Seminar in Sendai
Nov. 2011 – Jan. 2012	Disaster Response Seminar (Place: United Nations University/Tokyo Bar Association) Lecturers from: Ministry of Justice; National Police Agency; Fire and Disaster Management Agency; Ministry of Defense; Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare; Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency; Japan Federation of Bar Associations; Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; Ministry of the Environment; Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport; Ministry of Finance; Iwate Prefecture; Miyagi Prefecture; Fukushima Prefecture, etc.
Oct. 2012	Roles and BCP of contractors in the event of a disaster (Place: Tokyo Big Sight)
Mar. 2013	Disaster Response Seminar (Place: Hosokaikan) Lecturers from: Reconstruction Agency; Ministry of Education; Japan Meteorological Agency; and Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Jul. 2013	Risk Management Seminar Open Symposium (Place: Nakonoshima Center, Osaka University) Principal lecturers: Dean of the Osaka University Graduate School of Engineering,

	Superintendent of Osaka Prefectural Police, etc.
Oct. 2013	Risk Management Seminar 2013 Tokyo, October 3 (Venue: Tokyo Big Sight) “National Resilience Plan” and disaster countermeasures for public transport Lecturers from: National Police Agency; Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism; JE East Japan; East Nippon Expressway Company; Tokyo Gyoseishoshi Lawyer Association
	Risk Management Seminar 2013 Osaka, October 17 (Venue: Intex Osaka) “National Resilience Plan” and disaster countermeasures for public transport Lecturers: Osaka Prefectural Police Department; Osaka Municipal Fire Department; JR Tokai; Honshu-Shikoku Bridge Expressway Company, Ltd. ; New Kansai International Airport Company, Ltd.
Apr. 2014	Risk Management Seminar 2014 Tokyo ‘Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Response Symposium’
Jun. 2014	Risk Management Seminar 2014 Osaka (1) Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Response Symposium (2) Earthquake-resistant Structures (3) Measures for High-Density Zones, etc.
Oct. 2014	Risk Management Seminar 2014 Tokyo Big Sight ‘BCP for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises’
Dec. 2014	Risk Management Seminar 2014 Yokohama ‘Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Response Symposium’
Feb. 2015	International Exchange Committee/Kasuikai Club (formerly: Kasuikai) National Theater Backstage Tour
May 2015	Tokyo Risk Management Tour: Tokyo Metropolitan Fire Department (Courtesy visit to Department Chief’s office/Inspection tour), Metropolitan Police Department (Courtesy visit to Superintendent General’s office/Inspection tour); Speech by Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary for Crisis Management
June 2015	Risk Management Seminar 2015 Osaka (1) Kansai Airport Inspection Tour (2) Police/Fire Department Response in Time of Major Disaster (provisional title) (3) Environmental Concerns
September 2015	Risk Management Seminar 2014 ‘BCP Workshop’
October 2015	2 nd Risk Management Seminar 2015 – Tokyo Risk Management Tour
November 2015	International Exchange Committee Tour

■ **Membership Fees**

Regular Member (Corporation/Group)	¥60,000/year	Regular Member (Individual)	¥10,000/year
Supporting Member (Corporation/Group)	¥120,000/year	Supporting Member (Individual)	¥20,000/year

- All members may participate in any of the various meetings organized under the auspices of the KNA.
- In certain cases, membership fees may be collected separately by individual committees.
- A maximum of two names may be registered under a Supporting Member (Corporation/Group) membership.

Public Law Practice Association

The Koukyo Network Association acts as the secretariat for the Daini Tokyo Bar Association/Public Law Practice Association and holds monthly workshops on judicial precedents and various other seminars for professional services specialists, researchers, and businesspeople.

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We look forward to your participation!