The Security Implications of the 3/11 Earthquake

Day: 7 March (Sun) 14:00~16:30
Place: GRAND SHIBUYA 2F, Video Hall
Shizuoka Prefecture Kamisaka City Tsurumi 79-4 Shizuoka Convention Center "GRAND SHIBUYA"
Shizuoka Station 3-min walk
*Free admission *No advance registration required

March 11, an earthquake that occurred in Japan, demonstrated the importance of international cooperation and coordination beyond state boundaries. This earthquake, in Japan and the Asia-Pacific region, will have various implications. From the perspective of non-traditional security and traditional security, let us examine its implications.

Program
14:00 Opening Session Chair: Machiko Sato (University of Shizuoka, Japan)
14:05 Opening address: Naohide Kinae (President, University of Shizuoka, Japan)
14:15 Keynote Speech: David Welch (University of Waterloo, Canada)
"The Effects of 3/11 on Various Kinds of Security"
14:45 Presentation Panels
Victor V. Kuzminov (Russian Academy of Science, Russia)
Japanese-Russian Relations and Northeast Asian Security after 3/11"
Yasuyo Sakata (Kanda University of International Studies, Japan)
"Japan and Northeast Asia Security after 3/11"
David Welch (University of Waterloo, Canada)
"How will 3/11 affect non-traditional understandings of security?"
15:30 Comments
Gil Latz (Portland State University, USA)
Bunji Abe (Osaka Kyoku University, Japan)
15:55 Panel Discussion and Q&A
16:30 Closing

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