Youth talk:

action for climate justice,
disaster prevention &
gender equality

17 March 2022
4:00 AM EDT / 5:00 PM JST

Young people in Japan and other Asian countries discuss effective ways to integrate gender perspectives into disaster risk reduction in the context of climate change. Representatives of CSOs or individuals demonstrate good practices of gender-responsive disaster risk prevention measures. For more event details, visit our website.

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### **PROGRAM**

- 1. Opening remarks
- 2. Sharing citizens' and professional experiences for disaster risk reduction Prof. Takaaki Kato







Yurika Mori Rina Suryani Oktari

Fahim Ismail

- 3. Good practice by City of Kitakyushu & local CSO Akiko Ohmura
- 4. Youth presentations
  - Action for a sustainable society: the case of Kitakyushu City Yurika Mori
  - Gender mainstreaming in Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation in Indonesia: towards resilient and sustainable community via an equal opportunity policy Rina Suryani Oktari
  - Youth innovative ideas to control negative climate changes and gender-based disaster risk Fahim Ismail
- 5. Discussion / Q & A
- 6. Closing remarks



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#### Takaaki Kato

Director, Center for Disaster Countermeasures; Prof. of Environmental Engineering, U. Kitakyushu, Japan Specialist in policy evaluation for 25 years. Investigated public responses to waste management, energy-saving, and nuclear power generation. In the disaster risk reduction area, his research focuses on developing exercise methods for sharing information under emergencies and understanding the mechanism for sharing disaster experiences among the public.



**Akiko Ohmura** 

Manager, Crisis Management Department, City of Kitakyushu, Japan

Since joining the City of Kitakyushu in 2002, worked in various roles including staff training, City Council secretary, Gender Equality Planner, university administrative staff and counsellor for persons with disabilities. Currently in charge of the Crisis Management Department where she is responsible for local government cooperation in the event of large-scale disasters.



Yurika Mori Ph.D. student, University of Kitakyushu, Japan

Born in Japan. Currently pursuing Ph.D. in Environmental Engineering at U. of Kitakyushu. Obtained B.A. (2019) and M.A. (2021) in Architectural Design, U. of Kitakyushu. Member of the NPO Kitakyushu Biotope Network since 2016. One of the Japan Youth representatives of the 21st Tripartite Environment Ministers' Meeting of Japan, China and Korea (TEMM21), held in November 2021.



Rina Suryani Oktari Assistant Professor, Universitas Syiah Kuala, Indonesia

Teaches disaster studies in the Faculty of Medicine. Also the Coordinator for Disaster Education Cluster at Tsunami and Disaster Mitigation Research Center. Acts as Secretary of the Indonesian Society for Disaster Management. Alumni of the Pan Asia Risk Reduction Fellowship Program at Kyoto University. Awarded as the Young Scientist of the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk worldwide (2019).



Fahim Ismail
B.Eng student, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka

Founder president of Helping Wings - Sri Lanka, a youth-led organization. Co-founder of CurveMetrics, which works toward economic sustainability for women-headed families and differently-abled communities through promoting handicrafts made from Plastic and polythene wastages. Currently developing a water quality monitoring system that facilitates water-base industries with real-time data to increase production and also an early warning system to prevent water contamination. Conducts research on renewable energy.

#### **About KFAW**

Established in October 1990, the Kitakyushu Forum on Asian Women (KFAW) works to empower women and create a gender-equal society in Asia through seminars, research, and training programs. By building mutual understanding and cooperation in Asia, we are committed to raise awareness in our communities and take action to end gender-based discrimination and violence. KFAW also advocates for environmental sustainability by supporting ESD activities.







## Mitsuko Horiuchi, President of KFAW

Director of the Child Labour Network. Expert in gender and labor issues. Previously worked at the UN Secretariat, International Labor Organization (ILO), the Cabinet Office (Japan), and the Permanent Mission of Japan to the UN. Committed to gender mainstreaming in all government issues.

