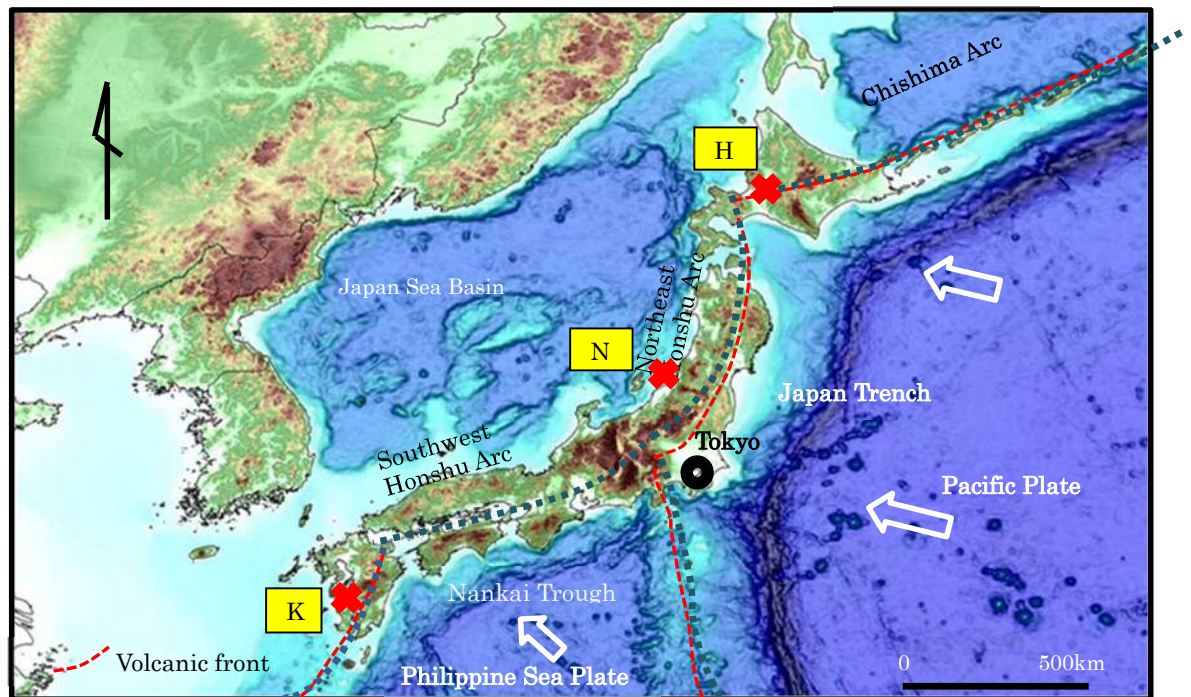


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Recent Earthquakes in Japan

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Special Report Meeting in Sapporo, Hokkaido, East Iburi Earthquake

Hokkaido branch of the JSEG held a special report meeting of the East Iburi earthquake on 19th April 2019. The East Iburi Earthquake occurred on September 6th, 2018 in the middle area of Hokkaido Island. JSEG sent an investigation team after the disaster. Please refer to No.1 Issue of 2019 Newsletter, JSEG reported, for the detail information of the East Iburi Earthquake.

In this meeting, damage situation of the public facilities, earthquake evidence on archaeological site, correspondence after the earthquake disaster of forest work and regional revitalization business were reported by administrative officials. Local newspaper also made a presentation about the earthquake from the viewpoint of mass media.

Participants got an opportunity to exchange their ideas about usage of scientific data among the social community.

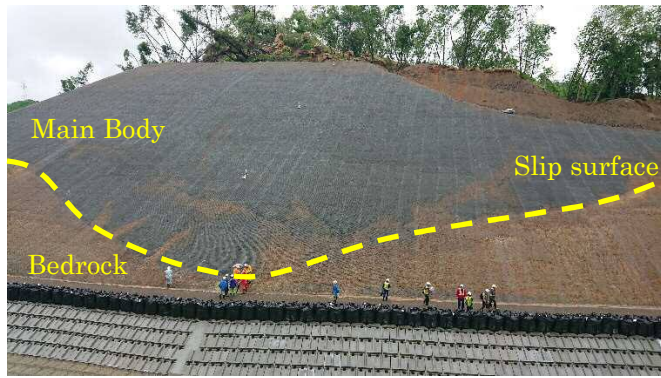


Photo: Cut slope of landslide toe. Landslide was moved 350m from the back towards the front by the earthquake.

Japan Geoscience Union (JpGU) Meeting, Tokyo, 2019

Japan Geoscience Union (JpGU) Meeting, 2019 was held from May 26th to 30th at the Makuhari Messe International Conference Hall in Chiba. JpGU is an academic union that covers all the disciplines of Earth and planetary sciences and related fields. The JSEG is belonging as a group member of JpGU.

8,390 participants joined this meeting. The number of participants of this year is slightly larger than last year. 5,028 participants made presentations including 655 participants from overseas.

Prof. Masahiro Chigira, the chairman of the IAEG Japan National Group, organized two sessions: "Landslides and related phenomena" and "Geohazards in humid, tectonically active countries and their precursors". Totally, 21 oral and 29 poster presentations were held in the sessions with fruitful discussions.

The participants exchanged their ideas in the various fields of earth sciences. The audiences, not only applied geologist but also any other fields such as an extraterrestrial planets topologist, also had lively debate.

JpGU 2020 is planned as the second joint event with the American Geophysical Union (AGU) from 24th May to 28th May 2020 at Makuhari Messe in Chiba. Joining more than 1,000 researchers from overseas are expected, and attractive activities are planned.



Photo: View of exhibition of JpGU