

1st Technical Meeting on “Science, Technology, and Society (STS) Perspectives on Nuclear Science, Radiation, and Human Health: The View from Asia” was held.

Hiroshima University held the 1st Technical Meeting on “Science, Technology, and Society (STS) Perspectives on Nuclear Science, Radiation, and Human Health: The View from Asia” under the assistance of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 27th and 28th of November 2014 at the International Conference Center Hiroshima.

This meeting is hosted by the International Atomic Energy Agency, IAEA. Hiroshima University, Nagasaki University and the National University of Singapore, these three institutions take turn to organize it for over the next three years. This time Hiroshima University was in charge of the meeting and about 200 people including researchers and students from inside and outside Japan attended the meeting.

Dr. Toshimasa Asahara, president of Hiroshima University and Dr. Afhed Meghzifene, Division of Human Health, IAEA made opening remarks. In the two-day meeting, fifteen experts in different fields from ten countries gave lectures about most recent findings on Science, Technology, and Society (STS) Perspectives on Nuclear Science, Radiation, and Human Health. The lectures were followed by Q & A session and panel discussion.

In the afternoon of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day, some students of the Phoenix Leader Education Program made presentations on their research activities, how they can contribute to the recovery from radiation disaster and how hard they are studying in the program. The guest lecturers and Dr. Neghzifene commented that they could fully understand the program is a great educational program; therefore, they are willing to support the development of the program and the students as much as possible. It was well realized that the program is expected to develop further. Dr. Tetsuji Okamoto, Program director, executive and vice president, made a closing address and the meeting they ended the meeting on a high note.



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