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**Brief of the Symposium**

The Japan Federation of Engineering Societies, JFES and The World Federation of Engineering Organizations, WFEO under support of The Japan Society of Civil Engineers, JSCE, The Science Council of Japan, SCJ and COE “Sustainable Urban Regeneration” of the University of Tokyo successfully organized on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2007 at The Hiroshima University a joint international symposium on river restoration, one of highly interested issues to engineers and the public around the world. The symposium was held as a session of the international events of JSCE’ National Assembly Congress.

This symposium introduced actual situation, practical examples and relevant issues on river restoration in China, India, Korea and Japan. On this opportunity the activities of WFEO and the collaboration among SCJ, JFES and WFEO also were diffused to deepen the participants’ understanding of WFEO. The Symposium has brought together more than 50 participants from 11 countries (Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, China, France, Korea, Indonesia, Japan, Mongolia, Taiwan and US).

This symposium is expected as a catalyst for larger scale joint symposiums between WFEO and JFES, SCJ or other Japanese organizations in the future.

**Some pictures of the Symposium**



*Left: Dr. ISHII, Yumio, JSCE’s President, Chairperson of IAC-JFES, Member of Senior Advisory Board and Committee on Engineering and Environment, WFEO, Japan National Committee on WFEO, SCJ is addressing the symposium opening. Right: Symposium participation situation (a part of symposium hall).*



*Central: Prof. IKEDA, Shyunsuke, JFES' Vice-President, Member of Japan National Committee (JNC) on WFEO in SCJ. Central to right: Prof. HU, Hong-Ying, Tsinghua University, presenter from China; Mr. KIM, Ji-Hwan, Seoul Metropolitan Government (SMG), presenter from Korea; Prof. KAWASHIMA, Kazuhiko, Chief Secretary of JNC on WFEO, Chair of the symposium. Central to left: Mr. PARK, Kil-Dong, Director of Flood Control Division, SMG, presenter from Korea; Dr. ITO, Kazumasa, CTI Engineering Co., Ltd., Advisor of Japan Water Forum, presenter from Japan; Dr. NGUYEN, Son-Hung, CTI Engineering Co., Ltd., Secretary of Internal Activities Committee, JFES, proxy presenter for Mr. VASOYA, B.J., WFEO's Vice-President, Chairperson of Committee on Engineering and Environment, WFEO, absent because of his health.*

### Symposium Proceedings



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**Short Introductions of WFEO, SCJ and JFES**

**WFEO**

Founded in 1968 by a group of regional engineering organizations, under the auspices of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organizations (UNESCO) in Paris, the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO) is a non governmental international organization that brings together national engineering organizations over 90 nations and represents some 15 millions engineers from around the world.

WFEO is the world wide leader of the engineering profession and cooperates with national and other international professional institutions in developing and applying engineering to the benefit of humanity.

For more details please refer to: <http://www.wfeo.org/index.php>

## **SCJ**

**The Science Council of Japan** was established in January 1949 as a "special organization" under the jurisdiction of the Prime Minister for the purpose of promoting and enhancing the field of science, and having science reflected in and permeated into administration, industries and people's lives. Its two main functions: (i) to deliberate on important issues concerning science and help solve such issues. (ii) to make coordination among scientific studies to achieve higher efficiency.

The SCJ consists of 210 members and some 2,000 associate members officially representing 820 thousand Japanese engineers and scientists. SCJ has been a national member of WFEO from 1972.

For more details please refer to: <http://www.scj.go.jp/en/scj/index.html>

## **JFES**

**The Japan Federation of Engineering Societies**, founded in 1897, is the sole incorporated organization in Japan consolidating 98 academic and engineering organizations as its regular member. The number of individual members belonging to these member organizations adds up to about 600,000 with some duplication. JFES covers entire areas of engineering, namely fundamentals (e.g. physics and informatics), metallurgy, mining, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, architectural engineering, electrical and electronics engineering and chemical engineering. JFES has jointed with SCJ in the collaboration activities with WFEO since 1972.

For more details please refer to: <http://www.jfes.or.jp/>

## **Short Introduction of Japan River Restoration Network (JRRN)**

**The Japan River Restoration Network (JRRN)** is Japan Secretariat of ARRN (Asian River Restoration Network) which was established by Korea, China and Japan in November 2006 to exchange knowledge and technological information on the restoration of rivers and their floodplains in the Asian region. (ARRN website: <http://www.a-rr.net/index.html> ) JRRN is now building our website to expand the network. Please visit our homepage to share the information and human resources on river restoration. (Japanese version is only available now, but English version is coming within this year.) JRRN website: <http://www.a-rr.net/jp/>

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