

Travel Information

Information about travel, transportation, and accommodation will be provided on the symposium web site.

Registration, Fees and Abstract

Conference registration fees, instructions for payment, call for abstracts, and instructions for abstract submissions will be communicated in the second circular and will be posted on the symposium web site in April, 2014.



Main Organizations

International Arctic Science Committee (IASC) and its partner organizations.



UArctic



FARO



NYSMAC



APECS
Association of Polar
Early Career Scientists

Local Organizing Groups

Science Council of Japan (TBD),
National Institute of Polar Research,
Japan Consortium for Arctic Environmental Research

ICARP III web site



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April 23-30, 2015

Toyama International Conference Center,
Toyama, Japan

<http://www.assw2015.org/>

Message

On behalf of the Local Organization Committee, I am honored to host Arctic Science Summit Week 2015 at the Toyama International Conference Center, Toyama, Japan, April 23-30, 2015. ASSW is held annually and intended to provide opportunities for coordination, collaboration and cooperation in all areas of Arctic science. ASSW2015 consists of business meetings by IASC Working Groups and partner organizations for 3 days, the International Conference on Arctic Research Planning and the International Symposium for Arctic Research for 4 days. IASC's 25th anniversary will be celebrated at ASSW2015. We hope this opportunity will be fruitful for all Arctic researchers, students and stakeholders of the Arctic who participate.

ASSW in Toyama in 2015 is strongly supported by the Science Council of Japan, the National Institute of Polar Research, Japan Consortium for Arctic Environment Research, Toyama Prefecture and Toyama City.

We look forward to welcoming you all in Toyama, Japan, for another successful ASSW.



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Arctic Science Summit Week

ASSW is the annual gathering of international organizations engaged in supporting and facilitating Arctic research. The purpose of the summit is to provide opportunities for coordination, collaboration and cooperation in all areas of Arctic science.

IASC's 25th anniversary will be celebrated during ASSW2015. The summit presents an opportunity to review IASC contributions and recognize those who have been instrumental in its founding, development and growth. ASSW2015 will also include the 3rd International Conference on Arctic Research Planning (ICARP III) and the 4th International Symposium on the Arctic Research (ISAR-4). These four day symposia create a platform for exchanging knowledge, inspiring cross fertilization, and promoting collaboration. The summit attracts scientists, students, policy makers and other professionals from all over the world.

Event Schedule

April 23-25, 2015 – Business meeting

April 26, 2015 – Public Lecture, Excursions

April 27-30, 2015 – ICARP III & ISAR-4



Venue

Toyama International Conference Center
<http://www.ticc.co.jp/english/index.html>

Toyama International Conference Center is located in the heart of Toyama city. Designed by eminent architect Fumihiko Maki and built in 1999, it is famous for its glass curtain wall and wooden lattice screen exterior. The Toyama Castle can be seen from the third floor.

City

Toyama city is the capital of Toyama Prefecture, which is located at the center of the coast the Sea of Japan. Toyama is geographically very unique. It is nestled by the crook-shaped Noto Peninsula with the Northern Japanese Alps to the east, the Hida Mountains to the south, Mt. Iouzen to the west and Toyama Bay to the north. Toyama is famous for its seafood. Its steep terrain, from 3000m high mountains to the bay, is prone to flashy stream and alluvial fans. Toyama is located roughly equidistant from the three metropolitan centers of Japan: Tokyo, Osaka, and Nagoya. In addition to domestic flights to Tokyo and Sapporo, international service is also provided to major cities such as Seoul, Taipei and Shanghai. Shinkansen (bullet train) is planned to extend to Toyama from Tokyo in the fiscal year of 2014, just before the opening of ASSW2015.

