
JILPT Research Activities

International Workshop

The Japan Institute for Labour Policy and Training (JILPT), the Association for International and Comparative Studies in Labour Law and Industrial Relations (ADAPT) in Italy, and Tohoku University held an international seminar on the theme “The Labour Market Impacts of Natural and Environmental Disasters” on November 22, 2013 in Sendai City, Japan. This international seminar was aimed at stimulating and focussing debate on the considerable labor impacts of natural and environmental disasters such as earthquakes, floods, and mining disasters. By concentrating on the labor impacts of these disasters, both short term and long term, we hope to contribute to a greater understanding of what needs to be done to protect the labor market from the effects, and help it to deal with the consequences, of these events. Researchers from Japan, Italy, the U.K. and New Zealand gave presentations based on the experiences of each country and discussed measures to deal with the labor market impacts of natural and environmental disasters. English text of research papers presented at the seminar will be uploaded on the JILPT website (<http://www.jil.go.jp/english/events/index.htm>).

Japan

Shinichi Umezawa (Research Director, JILPT), *The Great East Japan Earthquake: Its Damages, Impacts on the Labour-Economy and Restoration Measures of the Government*
Akiko Ono (Vice Senior Researcher, JILPT), *Employment of Disaster Victims Supporting the Reconstruction—The Role Played by the Emergency Job Creation Program in Emergency Temporary Housing Support*

Masahiko Fujimoto (Professor, Graduate School of Economics and Management, Tohoku University), *The Current Situation and Future Problems of Employment in the Disaster Area*

Hiroshi Yoshida (Professor, Graduate School of Economics and Management, Tohoku University), *Results of an Analysis of Personal Questionnaire Surveys on the Great East Japan Earthquake: Income, Workplace, Daily Living and Health*

Italy

Michele Tiraboschi (Professor of Labour Law, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia), *Overcoming Natural and Environmental Disasters: The Role of Industrial Relations—Some Reflections on the Italian Case*

New Zealand

Felicity Lamm (Associate Professor of Employment Relations, Auckland University of Technology), *The Impact of Disasters on Independent Contractors: Victims of Circumstances*

U.K.

Malcolm Sargeant (Professor of Labour Law, Middlesex University Business School), *The Vulnerable in Natural, Environmental and Technological Disasters*

Research Reports

The findings of research activities undertaken by JILPT are compiled into Research Reports in Japanese. The complete Japanese text of these reports can be accessed via the JILPT website (<http://www.jil.go.jp/institute/pamphlet/>). English summaries of selected reports are also available on the JILPT website (http://www.jil.go.jp/english/reports/jilpt_01.html).