JANSI Annual Conference 2021 Responses/Opinions Given to Comments and/or Questions

JANSI's replies, views and other comments are posted below to comments and/or questions received in chats during the conference or from the post-conference survey.

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[Session 1:	Ongoing Activities Report] "Incorporating Les	ssons Learned from the Fukushima Daiichi Accident"
Comment	This was an easy-to-understand explanation about incorporating lessons learned from the Fukushima Daiichi accident both in Japan and overseas, and from the regulatory side. It also provided examples from overseas, and I thought the presentation was very helpful.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
Question	Question for Director KOGANEYA of the Nuclear Regulation Authority.	Thank you for your question. We received the following reply from the Secretariat of the Nuclear Regulation Authority.
	It has been said that the Secretariat was late in presenting its report to the Nuclear Regulation Authority about the unauthorized ID use at TEPCO's Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station. Were there any issues with the report to the Nuclear Regulation Authority regarding the recent problem of equipment for physical protection of nuclear material? Also, and this is PP-related, a relationship of trust with the local community is based upon "transparency and prompt provision of information." What do you think about the way in which the Nuclear Regulation Authority provides information?	A summary of the recent case involving the loss of some equipment for physically protecting nuclear material was reported to the Secretariat of the NRA by Tokyo Electric Power Company Holdings, Inc. on February 15 as indicated in the document from the FY2020 58th NRA meeting (on February 18, 2021). Then the Secretariat reported the matter to the NRA on February 17. We believe that the matter was reported appropriately and promptly. Also, it is of primary importance that information about physical protection of nuclear material not be revealed that may benefit a malicious third-party. On the other hand, we believe that it is also important to ensure appropriate accountability regarding measures for physical protection of nuclear material. We intend to make an effort so that information that may be made public is appropriately disclosed to the public. With regard to the delay in reporting the unauthorized ID card use, the operation of nuclear regulatory inspection was improved at the NRA meeting on February 10. This change in practice will allow a broad perspective to be taken in reporting cases, which may correspond to matters pointed out during an inspection in general, to the NRA Chairman and Commissioners. In addition, a policy was approved that will stipulate this practice in the Procedures for Implementation of Nuclear Regulatory Inspections at the meeting of NRA on April 14th. These procedures will be revised accordingly.
Comment	It was refreshing to hear about JANSI and the NRA engaging in a dialogue and cooperating in the future. It was startling to hear that 70% of human errors are due to organizational weaknesses.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
Comment	I was able to reconfirm what the expectations are for regulators as well as the ideal for autonomous safety enhancements that operators aim for. I was able to reconfirm the importance of personal and organizational awareness and behavior. On the other hand, I realized that we are still only halfway through this process and further effort is needed.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters. In addition, as an industry self-regulatory organization, JANSI will continue to lead operators in implementing autonomous and continuing improvement initiatives as well as meet the mandate bestowed on us by operators.
Comment	The TEPCO slides provided in-depth information about the continuing safety enhancements.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
Question	Question for TEPCO Holdings Managing Executive Officer Makino Those of us who support nuclear power generation hope that BWR plants will be restarted. However, the issue with the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station has been unfortunate. I would like to ask a question about one point. Could you please tell us about TEPCO's inspection system to address terrorism and how have subsequent periodic inspections been conducted?	Thank you for your question. We received the following reply from TEPCO Holdings. During the nuclear regulatory inspections conducted by the Nuclear Regulatory Authority Secretariat, we had a team mainly comprised of nuclear inspectors with specialized knowledge and experience visit the station several times over the year to examine whether facilities and equipment are achieving the purpose for which they were installed, whether they are functioning effectively and being maintained. These inspections have included verifying the competencies of security and other personnel, the maintenance of equipment, training, and equipment for conducting performance tests, as well as inspections assessing the effectiveness of the entire physical protection system.

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Question for TEPCO Holdings Managing Executive Officer Makino	Thank you for your question. We received the following reply from TEPCO Holdings.
Regarding the partial loss of protective functions at the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station, what sort of system does TEPCO HD employ to service and inspect protective equipment? Also, how was the equipment actually serviced and inspected? Could you please reply to these two points?	Regarding the inspections, during the nuclear regulatory inspections conducted by the Nuclear Regulatory Authority Secretariat, we had a team mainly comprised of nuclear inspectors with specialized knowledge and experience visit the station several times over the year to examine whether facilities and equipment are achieving the purpose for which they were installed, whether they are functioning effectively and being maintained. These inspections have included verifying the competencies of security and other personnel, the maintenance of facilities, training, and equipment for conducting performance tests, as well as inspections assessing the effectiveness of the entire physical protection system.
	With regard to inspecting equipment, the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station has established procedures for inspecting protective equipment. Those procedures set out the inspection cycle and details according to the level of importance of the protective equipment. Inspection plans are formulated annually based upon these procedures and the inspections conducted in accordance with the plan. Inspection are performed by our affiliated companies and the TEPCO employees in charge of physical protection verify their performance. For security reasons, please allow us not to disclose the details of what is actually inspected as well as how it is examined. Although we conducted our inspections and maintenance in accordance with these practices, the Nuclear Regulation Authority evaluated the maintenance of our functions relating to physical protection facilities as not adequate. We will also be verifying in our analysis of the fundamental causes and reasons whether our inspection procedures were appropriate.
I would like to praise TEPCO for mentioning the scandal at Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
A variety of equipment has been added to comply with the new regulatory requirements. The number of fire detectors has also been increased as part of the backfits ordered. Although ingenuity has been displayed in work performed in the field for maintenance management and periodic inspections, I believe that system optimization is also needed. Other than the restart reviews, is JANSI planning to conduct any other sorts of reviews?	Thank you for your question. JANSI collects and analyzes the latest information available in Japan and around the world about severe accident measures and other measures to address design-basis and external events for autonomous safety enhancements. We are continually pursuing world-class excellence and believe it is important to assess and support operators' safety improvement measures. Toward that end, we have developed techniques for assessing safety enhancement measures that make use of the IAEA's Safety Report Series No.46 "Assessment of Defence in Depth for Nuclear Power Plants" (SRS-46), and we have been assessing and assisting with operators' safety enhancement activities. In the assessments, we evaluate the sufficiency of safety measures at plants in Japan, which are subject to assessments for each safety requirement developed from the perspective of defence in depth per SRS-46. If any safety measures are insufficient, we analyze mechanisms that may employ other countermeasures to complement that requirement. Moreover, in conjunction with this, we study safety improvement measures, research, and other data available in Japan and around the world to identify good practices and new knowledge as well as review and select broad topics. Taking into account both of these assessments, we identify issues to be considered for enhancing safety, study the efficacy and feasibility of measures for further enhancing safety that also include other plants, and present proposals to plants in need of these.
I believe that the reflections on the Fukushima Daiichi accident and lessons learned from that disaster, which were presented by JANSI, were a major step forward in that it helped me understand that our approach and response so far has truly been unwise.	Thank you for your comment. So that we are able to meet everyone's expectations, JANSI will continue as an industry self-regulatory organization to lead operators in implementing autonomous and continuing improvement initiatives.
The essential points of efforts to further safety and security here at the 10-year mark since the accident were well stated.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
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Moderator Yamaguchi's recapitulation of the discussion was right on point, despite the limited time, and I completely agreed with what he said. The way he coordinated the session made it possible for me to listen to what each of the panelists thought about the points.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
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Comment	I thought JR West's company-wide recurrence prevention, initiatives engaged in by all employees, and its corporate climate encouraging personnel to prioritize safety were all wonderful. I was profoundly impressed by their stance that focuses on dealing directly with and developing people. I believe that the efforts by the railway business to enhance safety will also be helpful to the nuclear power industry. Although the approaches differ, the mindset is the same.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
Question	Question for Mr. Archie, former CNO of SCG&E	Thank you for your question. We received the following reply from Mr. Archie.
	In the speech of Mr. Archie, cooperation with military organizations were mentioned. Does INPO have regularly cooperative relationship with the military and have cooperation also in other areas?	INPO's collaboration with the military is primarily channeled through previous military officers that currently work in our US commercial nuclear industry. A number of US Industry leaders were officers in the military prior to their military retirement and therefore their knowledge of military performance management and improvement practices is often used as a guide for strategies to improve performance in our commercial nuclear industry.
Question	Question for Mr. Archie, former CNO of	Thank you for your question. We received the following reply from Mr. Archie.
	SCG&E In the speech of Mr. Archie, when "Staying on Top" was developed, the working group asked support from the Navy nuclear Program and the Navy Fighter Weapons School. Why did the working group think they needed support from the Navy? And in what area their support was useful?	As stated in the first response above, former military officers currently working and leading US nuclear industry organizations are counted on to share their experiences from the military with the US industry. Former military officer training experiences related to performance improvement initiatives were used for benchmarking purposes in the development of the Staying on Top document. Specifically in this example, insights were captured from discussions with INPO's current senior leadership. The current INPO CEO has trained and also taught at the elite US Navy Fighter Weapons School. Those experiences and best practices were shared with the Staying on Top working group to support strategies and principles used in development of the document.
Comment	I found Mr. Archie's presentation about what the industry is doing in the United States to be thought-provoking. His speech made a profound impression upon me.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
Comment	All the panelist are at the top of their respective companies. Both their short speeches and Q&A responses were compelling. It is my impression that selection of such excellent panelists is evidence of JANSI's leadership ability.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
Question	What do you think Japan's industry should do to gain public trust and acceptance of nuclear power generation? Please share your thoughts about what should be done in the short-term and medium-term	Thank you for your question. Kyusyu Electric Power Company President IKEBE gave the following reply on the day of the conference. Over the short-term, in the case of our company, it is important that we stably and safely operate the four units currently in service. As we persist in that effort, we will earn a reputation that "nuclear power is safe if these people operate it." Eventually, this will extend from our company to the entire nuclear industry and lead to the restoration in trust in all nuclear operators. Over the medium- and long-term, I believe it is important that we be steadfast in telling the world that nuclear power is the best technology assuming plants are stably and safely operated and that has been commercialized and is technically feasible for combating global warming and making us carbon neutral. This year, a severe cold wave hit Texas in the United States. In Japan as well, we have also experienced conditions where we wondered if there would be sufficient electricity in January. I believe it is vital to have everyone understand how important nuclear power is in terms of our energy security and that efforts are needed to have people accept nuclear power from the standpoint of safety and necessity.
Comment	What was said about Kyushu Electric Power Company restarting their plants was persuasive. I was able to get a good understanding of how the respective divisions are really putting forward their best efforts.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.

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I understand that excellence means to excel or be superior, but what as well as what sort of state does that specifically entail?

JANSI's quality policy clearly states that its mission is to be a self-regulatory agency leading nuclear safety with "Untiring Pursui of the Highest Standards of Excellence. The word "excellence" is somewhat difficult to express in Japanese, but I believe it would be better to convey this concept in a manner that is clear and easy-tounderstand for the general public.

The specific details of the definition of 'excellence" have not been publicly announced. Is there some reason for this?

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Thank you for your question. JANSI President & CEO Yamazaki gave the following reply on the day of the conference.

Excellence in terms of how the word is used in industry or operation management at a power station is a common standard worldwide. The WANO "Performance Objectives & Criteria" gives specific definitions of "what a state of excellence is" in 15 areas, including operation management, maintenance, radiation control, chemical control, engineering divisions, organizational management, and safety culture.

These are not statements of idealistic theory as to how something should be, but definitions taking into account previous problem cases that have occurred at power plants. These definitions were prepared based on many types of accumulated lessons in order to stipulate that this level of excellence is what we must achieve to prevent these kinds of problems and that such problems are unable to be prevented only by meeting national regulatory requirements.

Also, we would like to add the following as my time for replying to this question was limited on the day of the conference.

In order to never allow an accident such as the one at Fukushima Daiichi to happen again, operators need to endeavor to achieve the world's highest level of safety at that point and they need to strive to reach even further heights. This is what we mean by the pursuit of excellence. What we must take note of here is that, excellence signifies constantly working to raise the bar. If we believe that we have achieved excellence and cut corners, then excellence will recede from view in no time. Both WANO and JANSI have activities where they regularly review nuclear power plants as peers to indicate any gaps vis-à-vis excellence at that point in time and urge improvements be made.

More specifically, a peer review allows us to ascertain gaps between reality and the high objectives that we would like to achieve with regard to performance of a variety of activities and operations (facilities, equipment, and capabilities displayed by people's actions, etc.) at individual power plants and we also clarify the reason these gaps exist. These high objectives are not the necessary minimum or the level required by regulations, but are based upon high standards that WANO has set as worldwide common goals



Power plant activities (operations)

The above diagram shows gaps in procedural compliance, nonconformance management, and other points, and efforts need to be made to improve these areas. Once these improvements result in raising the level of activities and eliminating these gaps, objectives are set at new higher levels so that we may achieve further heights. This shows the concept of "improvement activities always aiming higher," in other words, "there is no end to excellence."

A brief summary what we just stated about excellence is given below. [Excellence means the world's highest level of safety at that point in time. Operators need to strive so that they achieve that excellence as well as endeavor to aim further higher and produce their own excellence. (This is what is meant by the "pursuit of excellence.")]

The excellence that the industry aims to achieve is presented in WANO's "Performance Objectives & Criteria" for operation management, maintenance, radiation control, chemical control, engineering divisions, organizational management, safety culture, and other areas. Specific information and other data are also included for nuclear facilities, so the "Performance Objectives & Criteria" has only been distributed to WANO members, in principle. Thank you for your understanding.

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Question	Both regulators and operators clearly have expectations that JANSI will be transparent in leading relevant organizations with its research, analysis, review, solution proposals, and other contributions. Could you please provide some information about specific proposals in the 10-year strategy that will enable us to understand this in more detail. If there is a website or other source for information, could you please tell us about that? It is appropriate that JANSI mentioned promoting and establishing SAT. However,	Thank you for your question. The 10-year strategy was formulated after JANSI conducted a review together with operators and other organizations of the actions that JANSI should take over a period of 10 years to achieve the future vision (the ideal) for JANSI and the industry. The strategy is evaluated each year with operators to assess changes in the environment and the effectiveness of initiatives, and then revised. The future vision and actions are presented in the following pamphlet, which we hope will be beneficial to you. http://www.genanshin.jp/association/data/10Strategy.pdf The following pamphlet, which is a presentation of JANSI, may also be useful. http://www.genanshin.jp/association/data/guide_jp.pdf Thank you for your comment. So that we are able to meet everyone's expectations, JANSI will continue as an industry self-
	for SAT to function, a thorough analysis of operational challenges and an assessment of current circumstances are needed. It is also evident that this requires quite a lot of work. I hope that we are able to maintain our conviction as we move forward in that direction.	regulatory organization to lead operators in implementing autonomous and continuing improvement initiatives.
Comment	Question for Hokkaido Electric Power Company President FUJII In your presentation, you talked about the number of employees are increasing (nuclear power plant responders). I am aware that securing necessary personnel is extremely important. Could you please tell us how Hokkaido Electric Power Company regards the securing human resources and how you go about doing that?	Thank you for your question. We received the following reply from Hokkaido Electric Power Company. We recognize that securing the necessary personnel is a very important issue in terms of operation of our Tomari Nuclear Power Station as well as from the perspective of ensuring reliability in the nuclear power industry. The important points are (1) hiring personnel with great talent and (2) how to develop those human resources. (1) With regard to hiring, the number of participants attending nuclear power industry seminars (sponsored by the Japan Atomic Industrial Forum, Inc.) has fallen from roughly 2,000 before the earthquake to around 400 and there is concern about a decline in understanding of the need for nuclear power. Within this context, we actively participate in human resource development activities promoted by the Nuclear Human Resource Development Network, and work to encourage activities that encourage understanding of nuclear power generation among students by giving visiting lecturers and other workshops at local universities and technical colleges. We have also made an effort to secure exceptional personnel by hiring, whenever necessary, people with experience in other industries as well as offering internships at the Tomari Nuclear Power Station. (2) As for human resource development, we have been implementing a variety of measures as the slides showed during the presentation, including the following. • During the prolonged shutdown of Tomari NPS, we have been deploying personnel to our own thermal power plants as well as other companies' nuclear power stations that have been restarted. • We have sought to promote understanding of plant behavior by introducing a contest for operators as well as raising the level of operations. • We are encouraging our experienced employees to pass on their know-how and knowledge. • We our increasing the effectiveness of training and drill exercises by improving our training management system so that we may more appropriately manage individual knowledge and
Comment	I think Hokkaido Electric Power Company's system of having operators not look at operating procedures during the contest is something that deserves praise.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
Comment	The time allotted for the panel discussion was too short. Although it might be difficult considering that the conference is held online, I would hope that time slots would be apportioned more appropriately.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	Because the discussions were very interesting, I hope that a little more time could be given to those in the future.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
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Comment	I felt that Director-General Magwood's positive message was very encouraging.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration, including the selection of topics and presenters.
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Question	As we reach the 10-year mark of the accident at Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, I would like to know whether the efforts being made to safely operate nuclear power plants here in Japan are equivalent to efforts undertaken at power plants in other countries or are different measures being implemented. The reason for my question is that a variety of facilities have been improved and additional equipment installed as part of our safety measures. Nevertheless, I think it is also very important that, no matter how many facilities or how much equipment we add, we must be able to properly handle this machinery during an emergency. So, I believe it is necessary to also look to knowledge available in other countries as to whether a balance has been achieved in both these tangible and intangible aspects.	Thank you for your question. One of the lessons learned from the Fukushima Daiichi accident is that we need to always study and incorporate the latest knowledge and other information available both in Japan and from around the world as we implement initiatives in the pursuit of safety. Operators need to autonomously and continuously work to enhance safety and also make an effort so that they are able to achieve the world's highest levels (excellence) at that point, in addition to striving to produce their own excellence as they aim to reach further heights. To advance cooperation with our overseas partners which is essential to pursuing world-class levels of safety, JANSI has created a platform to facilitate cooperation with overseas partners and benchmarked recent outstanding efforts made overseas. Keeping in mind that these efforts contribute to nuclear safety in Japan, we regularly exchange views with international advisory members, collaborate with INPO and WANO, make use of technical evaluation committee members, and cooperate with other overseas organizations (IAEA, etc.) The Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO) in the United States drafted a document of principles entitled Staying on Top. It is subtitled Advancing a Culture of Continuous Improvement, which may be understood as looking at the question how power plants are able to maintain high levels of performance. Japan's industry has made progress in creating a framework, but we believe that we still face a challenge in establishing that among personnel in the field and making it more effective. We hope that our initiatives will be able to bring us as soon as possible to a state where the industry vision (*) has been achieved and a mindset of continually improving has broadly taken hold throughout the entire organization. JANSI will be developing these key actions in accordance with our Ten-Year Strategy so that we may soon achieve the industry vision and reach a state soon where we are able to talk about "Staying on Top." As for difference
Comment	I believe it would be good to have a little less formality and allow a frank presentation about the struggles of middle managers on the front lines and their perception of issues. If we don't do this, I think the conference will become just routine.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	I hope that this remote framework can be continued next year and thereafter because as the online attendance format makes it easy to attend and obtain information without having to travel to the conference hall.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	If this online format takes hold in the future, then we will be able to view the proceedings from wherever we are, so I believe that would be helpful to continue as it would eliminate less productive time.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	If possible, I would like to attend live lectures so that I could see both the speakers' faces (which would also allow me to capture their expressions and manner of speaking) and the material at the same time.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	Because of the pandemic, there was almost no opportunity to directly meet and talk to the people involved. If possible, it would be nice to hold the conference face-to-face.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.

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Comment	The lettering in the documents projected on the online screen was small and blurry, making it difficult to distinguish.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Question	The document-sharing screens were shown for a long time. I thought it would have been better if we could have had some scenes showing the faces of the panelists.	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	Because the materials had been distributed in advance, I was able to study them beforehand, which made it easier to understand the content.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration.
Comment	I felt that it might be better to have a slightly fewer presentations. (There were also some parts where the presenters seemed to be rushing to give their explanations and it was difficult to keep up.)	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	I wish that the conference started earlier so that it could wind up at 17:00 hrs. How about starting at 13:30 or 14:00?	Thank you for your comment. We will take the comments voiced into consideration in planning and administering future conferences as we strive to further enhance and improve conference content.
Comment	The quality of the interpretation was high and easy to understand.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration.
Comment	Ten years have passed since the Fukushima accident and I hope very much that this conference will always be held so that we never allow the memory of what happened as well as the Great East Japan Earthquake and tsunami to fade.	Thank you for your comment. So that the conference meets everyone's expectations, we will strive to enrich content through appropriate planning and smooth administration.

Thank you for your valuable comments and questions. We will use these for future reference as we continue in our efforts to further improve conference

content.

We have consolidated some similar comments and questions and omitted others relating to administrative matters. Thank you very much for your understanding.

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