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Greetings from President of JSCE



KONDO Toru
President

I was elected in May this year as the president of JSCE for the 2009/2010 term.

I have worked at the sites of rivers, dams, disaster and construction administration in the Ministry of Construction (currently the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism).

After retirement, I participated in the founding of the Ecology and Civil Engineering Society (ECES), which is a society to advance the inter-discipline sciences across ecology and civil engineering. Now I support its activities as a vice-president.

Now, I think that civil engineering is used as the generic name for technology to enjoy safety and affluent life.

In Japan, we will face many challenges in the society and nature. In these situations, civil engineers have to clear up their roles and to tell to civil engineers who are responsible for the next generation, when they resolve the challenges occurred by nature and society. Through doing these activities, it will be possible to recognize importance of civil engineering to the people.