

The IGU Regional Conference in Quebec City, Canada (August 6-10, 2018)

Our commission had two sessions in the conference. One is a session entitled “Hazards and Land Degradation”, held jointly with the IGU Commission of Land Degradation and Desertification, on August 8. It had five oral and two poster presentations. The session was chaired by two SC members of our commission: Takashi Oguchi and Alessandro Mondini. The topics of the presented papers and posters include evacuation from approaching tsunami and resilience of coastal communities, landslide detection using SAR images, applications of GIS, dendrochronological applications, desertification and climatic change, and education related to hazards.

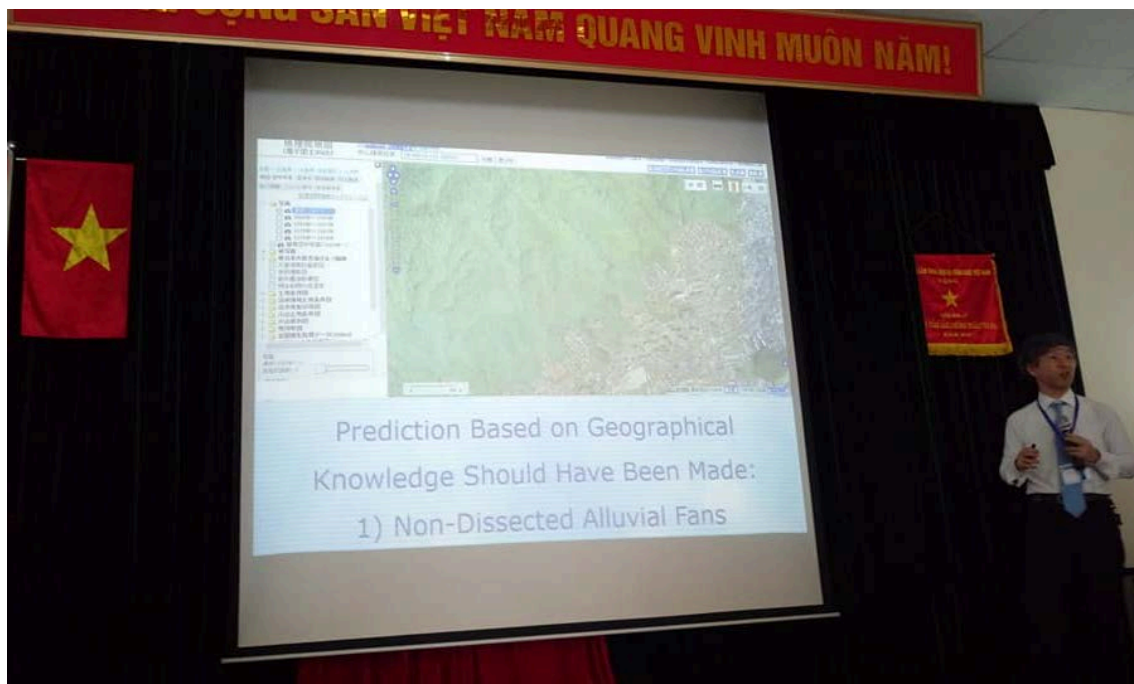


Talk by Alessandro Mondini at the Hazards and Land Degradation session of the IGU Regional Conference in Quebec City, Canada.

The other session is called “Vulnerability and Ecosystem Services” on August 10, which had three oral presentations. The session was chaired by Takashi Oguchi, and the topics of presentations include speleothem-based paleoclimate reconstruction, mitigation of desertification processes, and karst ecosystem services.

The National Conference on Geographical Science associated with the 25th years anniversary of the establishment of Institute of Geography, Hanoi, Vietnam (November 7-8, 2018)

Our commission organized a session called “Hazard and Risk” within the conference mentioned above, in collaboration with Professor Lai Cam, Institute of Geography, Vietnam. Although many papers in the conference were presented in Vietnamese, all six papers in the session and an associated keynote lecture by Takashi Oguchi were presented in English, because it was an international session. The six papers focus on typhoons, rainfall, flood inundation, vegetation, climatic change, and coastal management. The keynote speech was entitled “Geographical education in Japan in relation to natural hazards and GIS”. Takashi Oguchi and Professor Yuei-An Lieu, National Central University in Taiwan, chaired the session.



Talk by Takashi Oguchi at the National Conference on Geographical Science in Hanoi, Vietnam