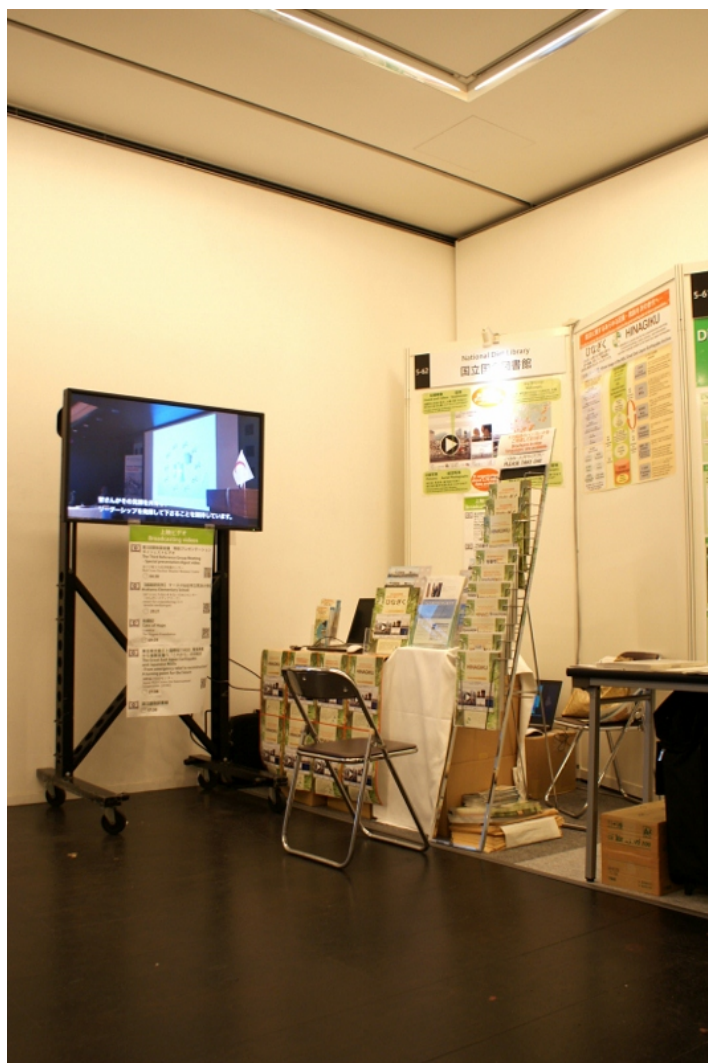


NDL participation in the Public Forum Event in the third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai:  
Exhibition on disaster risk reduction and reconstruction:  
"National Diet Library Great East Japan Earthquake Archive (HINAGIKU)"

The [third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction](#) was held in Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture from March 14 to 18, 2015. The National Diet Library (NDL) participated in the booth exhibition on disaster risk reduction and reconstruction as well as the poster exhibition which were side events of the conference.

The NDL booth exhibition presented an explanation of the NDL Great East Japan Earthquake Archive (HINAGIKU). This exhibition was held at the Sendai Mediatheque, a public institution that houses a library and serves as a base for a variety of cultural activities related mainly to the visual arts and moving images. More than 100 domestic institutions took part in this event, including government agencies, local governments, academic research institutes, private companies, and about 80 international organizations and foreign institutions.



<<The NDL booth exhibition>>

The NDL presented an explanation of its project for the acquisition and preservation of records related to earthquakes, and demonstrated HINAGIKU in Japanese and English. The NDL also showed four movies on a monitor set up the exhibition booth to demonstrate content available via HINAGIKU. Additionally, [brochures explaining the HINAGIKU project to visitors were distributed in nine languages](#): Arabic, simplified Chinese, German, English, French, Japanese, Korean, Russian, and Spanish. Approximately 1,600 people visited the NDL booth during the five-day event, and we received many inquiries and comments.

Some typical comments from Japanese visitors included:

1. It is really convenient to be able to retrieve records on the earthquake from a single location.
2. I have accessed HINAGIKU to search for information on disaster prevention.
3. I just learned about HINAGIKU today and would like to preserve the records of my support group from now on.
4. As a resident of the affected area, it is still painful for me to see the records of the earthquake, though I understand their importance.

Some typical inquiries from visitors included:

1. Is there an English version of HINAGIKU?
2. Does the content have narration or subtitles in English?
3. Does it have information on nuclear hazards?
4. How can one apply for secondary use of the videos, etc.?

The NDL answered these inquiries as follows:

1. Yes, HINAGIKU is available in English.
2. Some content is provided with narration or subtitles in English.
3. Information on nuclear hazards is included in HINAGIKU.
4. Permission from data providers is needed for secondary use.

In the poster exhibition, the NDL exhibited a poster which introduced the NDL earthquake records acquisition and preservation project and showed the function and usage of HINAGIKU.



<<The NDL poster exhibition>>



<<The poster exhibition hall>>

In addition to professionals and people involved in this UN World Conference, a great many people, especially Sendai citizens, visited the booth exhibition and poster exhibition. It was very meaningful to have the opportunity to directly hand over information on HINAGIKU to many people. The NDL will continue to make every effort to increase use of HINAGIKU by people from all walks of life.