

The 11th International Symposium on Water Supply Technology in Yokohama 2019

Water Supply Services
and their Future
– Reliable, Sustainable and Smart –



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Venue **Conference Center of PACIFICO Yokohama, Japan**
1-1-1, Minato Mirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama

The 11th International Symposium on Water Supply Technology and the Exhibition was attended by 648 people from 34 countries and regions (a total of 3,500 people attended the Exhibition).

The Symposium had a keynote speech, special lecture, and the presentations from six guest speakers from abroad, along with 86 oral and poster presentations in the three technical sessions. At the General Panel Discussion on the final day, following the discussion among the overseas guest speakers and the technical session chairs, General Chair, Professor Takizawa of the University of Tokyo delivered the following summary of the Symposium.

– Summary –

Good water quality, stable supply, and efficient management are the keys to “reliable” water supply systems. And for the system to become “sustainable”, it is important to prepare for natural disasters, restructure pipe networks, improve energy efficiency, and to have sustainable service management. As for what makes a “smart” water system, we had a lot of debate about smart meters, ICT, and AI. AI might be able to show the best choice for an individual system component, but only humans can build a balanced water supply system as a whole by taking into account the uniqueness and characteristics of various system components including pipe networks.

I hope we will meet again three years later at the next Symposium, being smarter than AI.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who participated in this event. Thank you.

Steering Committee for the 11th International Symposium on Water Supply Technology

