

2010 TIEMS 17th Annual Conference Report

The International Emergency Management Society (TIEMS) 17th Annual Conference and TIEMS China Chapter 1st Annual Conference and Technical Equipment Exhibition was successfully held in Beijing Loong Palace International Hotel from June 9th – 11th, 2010. This was the first time TIEMS Annual Conference was held in China.

TIEMS 17th Annual Conference was organized by TIEMS, jointly hosted by TIEMS China Chapter as well as China National Earthquake Response Support Service (NERSS) and other organizations. Also more than 30 ministries and related units in China relevant to the emergency sponsored the excellent conference.



The President of TIEMS China Chapter Shan Chunchang chaired the opening ceremony



Welcome speech from Wang Shouxing, Vice Director of China State Council
Emergency Management Office

The conference brought together about 500 emergency management managers, experts, scholars, government officials and business representatives from more than 30 countries and most regions in China.



Concentrated participants



TIEMS President K. Harald Drager gave keynote speech on TIEMS Vision 2010



TIEMS Regional Director for Asia & Pacific,
Vice President of TIEMS China Chapter, Qu Guosheng in his keynote speech

There were totally 25 keynote speeches and 10 sessions during the 3 days meeting.



Keynote Speaker Zhang Ji (Jack) - TIEMS Director for Publication and Communications, General Secretary of TIEMS China Chapter

Under the theme of "Global Emergency Response to Disasters for a Harmonious World", the keynote speeches and sessions were organized according to emergency topics such as global earthquake catastrophe emergency response, rescue and recovery; risk assessment and management & risk analysis simulation techniques; role of NGO in emergency management; training and drill, emergency management education, strategies, tactics, and tools to effectively manage mass casualty incidents; accidents emergency management and cases analysis; smart grid & emergency management, national infrastructure protection plan; China special workshop on emergency management; TIEMS education and certification, global cooperation within the field of emergency management; transportation security, emergency management and technologies etc.



At the 2010 TIEMS Annual General Meeting, TIEMS members voted for the positions which were vacant as a result as those in post reaching the end of their term or directors resigning from their posts on the board.



Presentation of Candidates for the Election of Board Members

The number of participants, official representatives, participating experts, technical sessions, exhibitors, the research scope and social program were the most impressive in TIEMS history since the founding of TIEMS in 1993.

During the conference in Beijing, many Chinese government agencies and enterprises demonstrated their emergency management cases, products and latest technologies in the field of EM in recent years. It was a very good opportunity for the international and domestic emergency experts to communicate and exchange visions, ideas, and solutions. This grand gathering was significantly important not only for China to improve the emergency management standard, but also for the international participants. TIEMS slogan “think globally and act locally” was well demonstrated.



TIEMS Annual Conference Exhibition



There was also an Outside Exhibition

In the third day of the conference, participants visited the newly opened National Earthquake Emergency Rescue Training Base for Urban Search and Rescue. This training base is the largest facility of this type in Asia and the delegates experienced an earthquake simulation, as well as watched a seismic emergency rescue drill.



TIEMS 17th Annual Conference brought a positive effect to strengthen international exchange and cooperation and provided a platform to learn about technologies and operational methods, to exchange experience on best practice and influenced policy makers worldwide to establish global standards within emergency and disaster management.