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Dear Messrs and Mesdames,

ICHARM 10th Anniversary published

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We are pleased to inform you of the publication of ICHARM's 10th anniversary volume.

ICHARM marked its 10th anniversary in March 2016, and we know that we could not have come this far without your guidance and encouragement. We have produced this commemorative volume to celebrate and reflect on the last decade of ICHARM, as well as to show the way for the institute to move forward.

The volume starts with the forewords kindly provided by Director-General of UNESCO Irina Georgieva Bokoba and Minister of MLIT Keiichi Ishii, which are followed by warm messages from Chair of UNESCO-IHP András Szöllösi-Nagy, former Director-General of UNESCO Koichiro Matsuura, President of GRIPS Takashi Shiraishi, and President of JICA Shinichi Kitaoka.

The founding director of ICHARM, Kuniyoshi Takeuchi, contributes a chapter looking back at the decadal progress of ICHARM. The following chapters detail ICHARM's three principal activities of research, training and education, and information networking, and also cases of local practice built on the results of these activities. The succeeding director of ICHARM, Toshio Koike, concludes the volume with a future vision, presenting the ideas and strategies to be put into action under the new leadership. At the end of the volume is the Annex furnishing an array of comprehensive lists of many kinds.

Many individuals who once worked or studied at ICHARM also offer their memories with ICHARM for this publication. We hope that you will find the publication interesting,



informative and resourceful.

The commemorative volume is downloadable at the following address:

http://www.icharm.pwri.go.jp/publication/pdf/2016/10th_anniversary.pdf

Also, if you wish to have a hard copy of the volume, please email at: icharm@pwri.go.jp.

With your consistent support, we at ICHARM will continue working towards the global reduction of water-related disaster risks in cooperation with other organizations, governments and communities.

Thank you.