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On behalf of the ALDODE 2011 Reviewing Committee, I would like to summarize briefly some background information of papers and exhibitions contributed to this international symposium.

Before describing that, I would like to say thank you very much to all participants who have continued to support this symposium in spite of a relatively short period of time after the huge earthquake on March 11, 2011. I would also like to say thank you to members of International Advisory Committee and Local Committee for their cooperation in reviewing the submitted papers and design works.

Firstly, 91 abstracts were submitted from 17 countries, and all of them were thoroughly reviewed by the committee. 63 papers and design works were selected. Soon after the final selection process, the earthquake hit the Tohoku region. As a consequence, the ALGODE had to be postponed. But now, 41 papers and 10 exhibitions were rearranged for session presentations with attractive 8 keynote lectures and 2 panel discussions, which are both to be aired online via USTREAM.

Today, Architecture and Structure are facing a new step of evolution supported by advanced computer technology and its philosophy, integrating architecture, urban design, structure, environmental engineering and fabrication. That is the reason why we get together here in Tokyo. I hope you enjoy fantastic presentations and discussions. Thank you for your kind and earnest participation.