



Quick survey of the 2016 Central Italy Earthquake

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From 5th to 8th September 2016, I visited the affected area to investigate damage due to the 2016 Central Italy Earthquake. Amatrice and Norcia are examples of such damaged areas. Photo 1 shows the author in damaged Amatrice. In Norcia, I discussed the operations for disaster responses with commanders at Center Operation Comunale (COC) as shown Photo 2. I showed the typical Japanese disaster responses in comparison with the Italian and Japanese operations. The biggest difference is that the national Civil Protection system can coordinate the operations in Italy. The Dicomac (Direzione Comando e Controllo) office in Rieti also manages the concerning information and professionals (Photo 3). The Italian organization for disaster responses can be useful for Japan to improve its response system.



Photo 1: Damage survey in Amatrice



Photo 2: Discussion of disaster responses based on Japanese disaster processes in Norcia



Photo 3: Dicomac office in Rieti