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The Great East Japan Earthquake of 11 March 2011 brought enormous damage through the earthquake itself, the resulting tsunami, and the subsequent nuclear power plant accident. Many researchers in Japan and elsewhere are now engaged in a variety of projects related to reconstruction of the affected areas and measures for coping with future disasters. At the International Association of Traffic and Safety Sciences we have altered the course originally set for FY2011 to instead launch a large-scale interdisciplinary project focused on the state of Japan in the wake of the Great East Japan Earthquake.

In addition to recent events in Japan, large-scale disasters have also been occurring around the world. Much related research has been undertaken and has begun to suggest useful knowledge that can contribute to regions in the future. Given the variety of transportation-related issues involved—including evacuation in the immediate aftermath of a disaster, transportation and logistics activity as services are restored, and transportation planning as part of reconstruction—it will be critical to share vast knowledge from an interdisciplinary perspective.

This issue will focus on efforts, particularly those in the transportation field, related to large-scale disasters like the Great East Japan Earthquake. We look forward to receiving submissions of interdisciplinary research findings concerning various transportation-related issues such as those mentioned above, whether related to the Great East Japan Earthquake or to recent efforts elsewhere in the world, including both specific research findings and analyses that contribute to future regional strategies.

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