

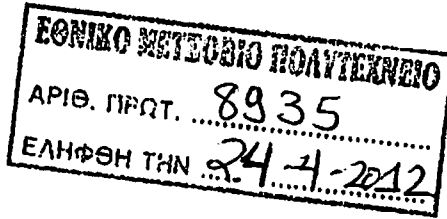


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Dear colleagues,



Thank for your constant engagement for the collaboration with Tohoku University.

We cordially send the greeting letters by our President Prof. Susumu SATOMI who has just been inaugurated and former President Prof. Akihisa INOUE.

Please find attached the files.

We all are looking forward to working with you also under the new presidency.

Yours sincerely,

Junichi HIRATA
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April 2, 2012

Dear colleagues,

With great honor I would like to inform you of my inauguration as the President of Tohoku University. Effective as of April 1st 2012, I have officially succeeded Prof. Akihisa INOUE who has honorably concluded his tenure.

Considering it an honor and privilege to be granted this opportunity to extend my wishes to maintain and further enhance the tight relationship that has been developed up to the present.

Tohoku University's research and educational activities have made remarkable progress under quickly globalized society. As the President, I am determined to build on the achievements of my predecessors and it is with great pleasure that I would like to continue the spirit of mutual cooperation and constructive exchange with our partners. Your continued guidance and friendship to support Tohoku University is sincerely appreciated.

I would like to express my best wishes and look forward to a continuous and fruitful partnership during my term.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Satomi", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Susumu SATOMI

President of Tohoku University



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March 29, 2012

Dear colleague and friends,

I am writing today to inform you that I shall complete my term of presidency on March 31, 2012. Taking this opportunity, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your friendship and support during my tenure especially when the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami hit the University and Tohoku region last year.

I received many encouraging letters from overseas universities and various institutions that made me reassure the enduring bonds we have formed over the past years. We were comforted and fueled by the hearty messages and various offers you have extended to us. This particular occurrence during my Presidency will never fade away in time within me.

The presidency has truly been an all-consuming passion to move this university ahead farther toward becoming one of the world leading universities. We accomplished so much because of the hard work and steadfast support of all of you. A new team will take over on April 1st headed by President-designate Professor Susumu Satomi, a renowned surgeon and the Director of the University Hospital. I hope you will grant them the same continued guidance and friendship in the future you have given me.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Akihisa Inoue".

Akihisa Inoue
President of Tohoku University