

The 2nd CIRCLE Global Workshop Series

CIRCLE PROJECT: Enhancing Community Resilience in Tofino

Tofino – October 3rd, 2025
10.30 am – 4.30 pm

Why Participate?

- Ensure your voice is heard in local disaster planning.
- Gain valuable insights into local hazards and safety measures.
- Contribute to building a resilient Tofino.

Participants:

- Government officers
- Academia
- Industry professionals
- Local community members

About the CIRCLE PROJECT:
The CIRCLE (Community and Infrastructure Resilience to Climate-geological Long-term Effects) Project is dedicated to improving tsunami preparedness and resilience in Tofino. By combining scientific research with community engagement, we aim to develop effective evacuation strategies and enhance our community's safety.



Opening Speech

CIRCLE Project Introduction

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Workshop Details

This **2.5-hour workshop** (for **20–30 participants aged 18+**) features interactive activities and discussions on tsunami preparedness. Open to local residents and professionals, it supports building a safer, more resilient community.

Opening Session (30 minutes)

Dr. Katsuichiro Goda, PI of the CIRCLE Project (Western University), will present the project's goals, timeline, and relevance to the local community.

Community Asset Mapping (2 hours)

Led by Dr. Haorui Wu (Dalhousie University), participants will identify local resources (e.g., shelters, foodbanks, youth clubs, radio stations), share disaster experiences, and discuss coping strategies. The session will help identify vulnerable groups and co-develop preparedness strategies to strengthen community resilience.

Contribute your voice in this important dialogue on disaster preparedness and resilience to strengthen your community.