TOYO ITO

Architect

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6 August, 2014  16:40-17:25 Hall 5 & 6

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Born in 1941. He graduated from the University of Tokyo, Department of Architecture in 1965. His main works include Sendai Mediatheque, Tama Art University Library (Hachioji campus), and National Taiwan University New College of Social Sciences (Taiwan R.O.C), etc. He was awarded Architectural Institute of Japan Prize, Golden Lion at the Venice Biennale, Royal Gold Medal from The Royal Institute of British Architects, and recently the Pritzker Architecture Prize, etc.

After 3.11, Ito energetically engages with reconstruction activities in the North East of Japan. He has promoted “Home-for-All”, which is a place for local residents to gather and communicate with one another, allowing them to obtain peace of mind. As of January 2014, ten “Home-for-All” s have been completed whilst a few are under development. He has also established a private architectural school “Ito Juku” in 2011, which organizes various activities promoting new thinking upon the future of cities and architecture.

KAZUO IWAMURA Coordinator

After having acquired master degree of architecture at Waseda University in Tokyo (1993), Kazuo IWAMURA began his professional career at Agence Candilis in Paris (1994), and co-founded AG5 in Darmstadt, Germany (1997). Then, he founded IWAMURA Atelier Inc. in Tokyo (1980), based on the holistic environmentally conscious approach in architectural and urban design. He received many architectural awards including UN World Habitat Award 2001, AIJ Prize 2003 as well as JIA Environmental Architecture Prize 2000, 2008 and 2013. Also he wrote 14 books of related themes to date. He has been serving as professor at Tokyo City University since 1998, and became Professor Emeritus in April 2014, contributing to numerous professional organizations including JIA, AIJ, ARCADIA, UA, WGBC and JaGBC, as vice-president, councilor or director.