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Current Positions:

Professor, Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo

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Director, Earth Environment Data Commons Center, The University of Tokyo

Research Field: Hydrology

Education:

March 1987: B.E., Department of Civil Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, The University of Tokyo

March 1989: M.E., Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo

September 1993: Ph.D. (Engineering), The University of Tokyo

Professional Experience:

September 1989 Assistant, Institute of Industrial Science, The University of Tokyo

May 1995 Lecturer, Institute of Industrial Science, The University of Tokyo

October 1997 Associate Professor, Institute of Industrial Science, The University of Tokyo

April 2002 Associate Professor, Research Institute for Humanity and Nature

December 2003 Associate Professor, Institute of Industrial Science, The University of Tokyo

November 2006 Professor, Institute of Industrial Science, The University of Tokyo

October 2016 Senior Vice Rector, United Nations University (until September 2021)

October 2016 Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations (until September 2021)

April 2017 – Special Advisor to the President, The University of Tokyo

April 2018 – Professor, Integrated Research System for Sustainability Science, The University of Tokyo

April 2019 – Professor, Center for Future Vision Studies, The University of Tokyo

April 2020 – Professor, Graduate School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo

July 2022 – Director, Research Organization for Climate and Society, The University of Tokyo

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Awards:

Water Resources Merit Award, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan (2025)

Stockholm Water Prize, Stockholm Water Foundation (2024)

Medal with Purple Ribbon, Japan (2024)

John Dalton Medal, European Geosciences Union (2023)

International Hydrology Prize Dooge Medal, IAHS, UNESCO, and WMO (2021)

Japan Academy Medal, The Japan Academy (2008)