

### **Mr Setsuya Nakada (Japan)**

Professor Nakada is a well-recognized volcanologist with an impressive academic track record, as director-general of the Center for Integrated Volcano Research at NIED and professor emeritus of the University of Tokyo. Through his field work at various active volcanoes around the world, particularly in Japan and Indonesia, Prof. Nakada has fostered systematic and continuous observational research and greatly advanced the elucidation of the detailed transitions of volcanic eruptions.



Professor Nakada's research has been highly evaluated both domestically and internationally, and he has received a number of awards, including the Volcanological Society of Japan Award, for his outstanding achievements. In addition, Prof. Nakada is currently chair of the Japan Geopark Committee (JGC), the Japanese National Committee for UNESCO Global Geoparks, and plays an active role in training and research activities for maintaining and driving the activities of Geoparks in Japan. Prof. Nakada has been committed to the activation and development of Geoparks around the world, serving as chair of the Advisory Committee of the Global Geoparks Network (GGN) (2016-2021), and currently as vice coordinator of the Asian Pacific Geoparks Network (AGPN) (2017-present). Through his role as chair of the JGC, Prof. Nakada is actively contributing to projects for promoting UNESCO Global Geopark activities in Japan.