Congratulatory Remarks

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It is a great honor for me to deliver this congratulatory address at the 18th International Conference on Crisis and Emergency Management (ICCEM) in Korea. I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to all the distinguished guests, ICCEM members, presenters, and panelists.

Contemporary crises are becoming increasingly large, diverse, and complex. In particular, climate change is a major challenge we must face. I share deeply the ICCEM's mission to address these crises and to enhance the sustainability of modern societies.

Coping with disasters requires the essential steps of recognizing risks, preparing responses, and implementing solutions. However, it is difficult to expect effective management and rapid recovery if we rely solely on the efforts of individual researchers in each field. I believe that opportunities to share research concerns and foster collaboration are of utmost importance, and I am confident that the ICCEM will not only provide this important opportunity, but will also play a pioneering role.

In this sense, I am exciting to have interesting talks and discussions with the participants.

Last but not least, I would like to conclude by expressing my deepest gratitude to all of you who have organized this ICCEM conference and hope the conference interesting and meaningful to all the participants.

Thank you very much.

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