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Before the departure for the "Survey on the Areas Affected by the Earthquake with Epicenter in Southeastern Turkey," a press conference was held at Kobe City Hall."

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To investigate the areas affected by the earthquake with epicenter in southeastern Turkey in February 2023, three faculty members from the Department of Architecture will be dispatched from April 12 to 20, together with two officials from the Kobe City Government.

During this mission, Professor Kazuhiko Yanagisawa (Department Chair), Professor Shigeki Tosu, and Professor Hiroyuki Tagawa from the Department of Architecture will conduct surveys in areas near the epicenter, such as Kahramanmaraş and Hatay, alongside two Kobe City officials responsible for architecture and crisis management. On the 17th, they are scheduled to report on their findings at a roundtable held at Bahçeşehir University and discuss plans for reconstruction, including the restoration of cultural heritage.

A press conference was held at Kobe City Hall on April 11, the day before departure. Many media representatives from newspapers and television stations gathered to hear an explanation of the purpose of this mission.



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