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## Weathernews holds 8th Annual Technical Workshop with University of Oklahoma

Weathernews Inc. (Head Office: Mihama-ku, Chiba-shi; CEO: Chihito Kusabiraki) held their 8th annual workshop on Technological Research on October 25th, in conjunction with the University of Oklahoma. The workshop was held in the National Weather Center located on the University of Oklahoma campus, the location of the announced collaborative research and development project between Weathernews and the university. The awarding of the Weathernews Scholarship for 2019 also took place during the workshop.

Weathernews carries out observations of a variety of natural phenomena, and has two Innovation Centers – one in Japan and one in Oklahoma – for researching and developing methods for analyzing this observation data. What is special about the Oklahoma Innovation Center (OIC, below) is that it is run in collaboration with University of Oklahoma students and faculty. Workshops are held each autumn, and feature presentations on the past year's research, as well as discussions among participants to nurture a variety of viewpoints and to encourage each other's research.

This was the 8th such workshop, and it began with welcoming remarks from Berrien Moore, Dean of the University of Oklahoma's College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences, followed by opening remarks from Mr. Chihito Kusabiraki, CEO of Weathernews. In his speech, Mr. Kusabiraki said in regard to the various weather disasters occurring around the world in recent years, "Our goal should not be to simply conduct research, but to always be thinking beyond that, to make sure it is helpful to individuals around the world," affirming the significance of the center with the participants.

In addition, a ceremony was held for the 2019 recipient of the Weathernews Scholarship Fund, which was established last year by Weathernews, the University of Oklahoma, and the Oklahoma University Foundation.

The 2019 scholarship recipient is as follows.

Brian Robert Greene  
Ph.D Student, School of Meteorology  
Advanced Radar Research Center, Center for Autonomous Sensing and Sampling  
University of Oklahoma

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2019 Scholarship Recipient (left) and Weathernews CEO Chihito Kusabiraki (right)



Workshop participants