

Introduction of Japan Waste Management Consultant Association

Who we are

We, Japan Waste Management Consultant Association (JWMCA), are the group of various technical experts from the member companies in Japan in the field of consulting services on the appropriate solid waste management and utilization of recyclable resources.

Objectives of JWMCA

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- Persistent improvement of technical level for the appropriate management of solid waste and resources circulation,
- Establishment of social credibility and business fundamentals as well as sound development of solid waste management consultants.

History of JWMCA

Since the establishment of “The business Council for Solid Waste Management” which was the original style of JWMCA in September, 1983, more than 30 years has passed with the following transitions of JWMCA;

September, 1983: Establishment of “The business Council for Solid Waste Management” with 39 member companies under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Health and Welfare at that time,

May, 1986: Organization name was changed to “Japan Waste Management Consultants Association (JWMCA) with the increased 46 member companies,

October 1994: With the charter as a public service corporation granted from the Ministry of Health and Welfare, JWMCA was officially recognized as the incorporated association,

April 2013: Due to the reform of the public-interest corporations system in Japan, JWMCA was transformed into a new corporation, which is the general incorporated association.

Backgrounds and activities of JWMCA and its members

Trend of solid waste management in Japan could be said to start from ensuring public health against the sanitary risks occurred by inappropriate solid waste management and to has been shifted to promote 3R (Reduce, Reuse and Recycling) policies with the development of related laws and regulations, advanced and reliable technologies and appropriate social systems, through the long years challenging experiences during the era of waste incinerating as the main stream of waste treatment.

Member consulting firms of JWMCA have been working on the activities which widely contributed to promote the 3R and to achieve the appropriate treatment of solid waste, mainly the consulting services on the preparation of solid waste management master plan or construction of solid waste treatment/disposal facilities for the municipalities, as well as the various fundamental studies or surveys for the establishment of related legal system in Japan.

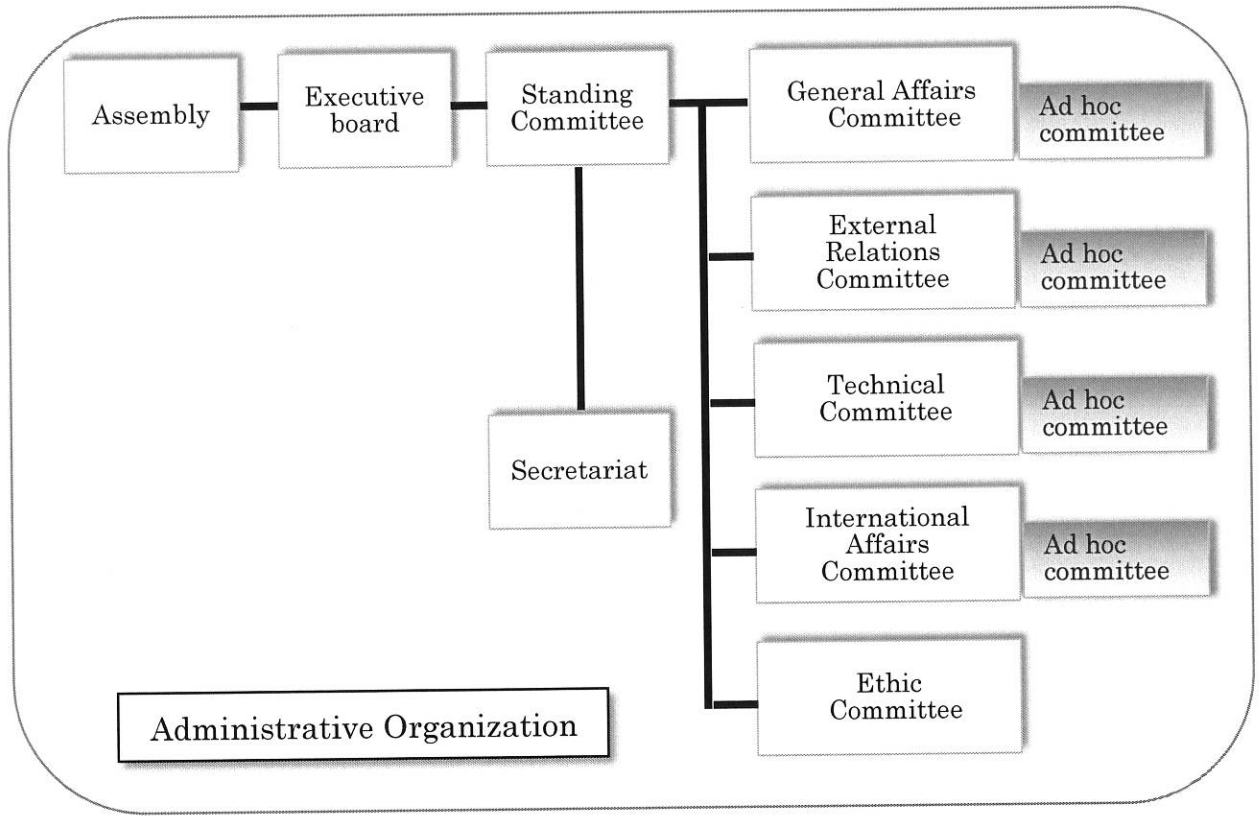
In addition, it should be noted that JWMCA has been actively working on the technical support for national, regional and local governments to restore the area damaged by disaster waste or radioactive materials generated by the Great East Japan Earthquake in March, 2011.

As for the overseas activities, some of member companies are also working on many ODA projects mainly initiated by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) such as Japan Grant Aid projects, Japanese Yen Loan project or technical cooperation projects. Furthermore, besides ODA projects, those member companies are supporting the private Japanese or overseas companies to promote their businesses in the field of solid waste management and recycling over the world.

Activities of JWMCA are summarized as mentioned below:

- (1) Study and research on technologies related to solid waste and resource circulation management,
- (2) Dissemination and awareness raising on technologies related to solid waste and resource circulation management,
- (3) Human resources development of consulting engineers for solid waste management,
- (4) Development and improvement of solid waste management consulting businesses,
- (5) Promotion of international cooperation in the field of solid waste and resource circulation management,
- (6) Publication of JWMCA proceeding and other reports, and PR activities and,
- (7) Others necessary to achieve the objectives of JWMCA.

Organization



Members of JWMCA

As of April 2016, 41 companies are the member of JWMCA as listed in the other page.

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