

JAPAN : AFTER THE BIG WAVE

On 11 March 2011, Japan was hit by a triple series of events that still force the Asian nation to confront his past in order to reconstruct a more peaceful future. First an earthquake, then a tsunami and finally the nuclear disaster in Fukushima.

The Japanese government and TEPCO, the power company that has operated the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant, have underestimated the danger, jeopardizing the safety of tens of thousands of people. Even today, three years later, while along the coast affected by the earthquake and tsunami continues the reconstruction, the area around the nuclear power plant is uninhabited and 150,000 people are forced to live in prefabricated containers.

Dozens of associations, pro and against nuclear, from 2011 continue to churn out data and theories (often unsupported by basic scientific laws) to prove their own separate theses. Meanwhile, thousands of peasants are trying to resist the catastrophic and the superficial news in order to survive and continue to sell their products.

The presentation will bring to the attention of the public the situation of the nuclear power plant and the population.

A video of digital photos with background music, shows how the farmers of Fukushima are managing to survive living in an area that, until 2011, was famous in Japan for organic farming.

The slideshow does not stop at Fukushima, but continues with the visit of the entire coastline devastated by the tsunami, with the buildings still destroyed, the ships carried for miles inland and still stationed as a giant reminder of nature's strength to humans.

Finally, the presentation ends with the vision of aspects of life and culture of Tohoku, the northern region affected by the disaster, one of the poorest in Japan.