

## Background Information on Dr. Takashi Asano

Takashi Asano (72)

Region of activity: Davis, California, United States

Occupation: Professor Emeritus at the University of California at Davis

### History:

Dr. Asano was born in 1937 in Sapporo, Japan. He came to the U.S. in 1963 where he studied civil and environmental engineering at the University of California at Berkley receiving a Master of Science in Engineering in 1965. He received a Ph.D. in the field of environmental and water resources engineering from University of Michigan in 1970. Dr. Asano was appointed as a professor at the University of California at Davis in 1978. He also worked as the Deputy Director for Advanced Water-use at the Water Resource Administration Bureau of the State of California.

Dr. Asano has imparted the insights gained from his research to Japanese students, and has been active as the technical adviser of prominent international organizations. He is a pioneer and the world's leading authority in the field of water recycling and reuse, a subject which is recognized to be one of the most pressing international issues of the 21st century.

### Major Achievements:

Dr. Asano has had more than 40 years of academic and professional experience in environmental and water resources engineering. He is a pioneer and is recognized as the world's leading authority of his field. His research and achievements have received international acclaim and recognition and was awarded the internationally renowned "Stockholm Water Prize" in 2001. Dr. Asano has contributed to the advancement of water resources management in Japan and has promoted academic exchange between the U.S. and Japan through his research and international education activities.

### Professional Affiliations:

- Professor Emeritus, University of California at Davis (2002-present)
- Professor, University of California at Davis (1981-2002)
- Deputy Director for Advanced Water-use, Water Resource Administration Bureau of the State of California (1978-1992)
- Fellow, Public Works Research Institute (1997-2000)
- Guest Professor, Hokkaido University (1997-2000)
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