

Side Event 1:

Technical Discussion on Guidelines for Assessing Progress on Hyogo Framework

IATF/DR-12/inf.11

Monday 21 November 2005, 14h30 – 16h30 Venue: Room H-3, Palais des Nations

The discussion will focus on the development of guidelines assessing progress towards disaster reduction within the context of the Hyogo Framework.

The guidelines are expected to enable government to enhance their capacity for self-assessment as a means of improving their own performance on the issue of disaster risk reduction within the context of the Hyogo Framework.

The meeting will build on the outcome of the IATF/DR-11 meeting that agreed on the future steps relative to assessing progress towards disaster risk reduction within the context of the Hyogo Framework.

An on line dialogue took place from the 12 Sept to the 10 Oct. to provide commentary and examples on a set of practical guidelines for governments to use in monitoring progress. The dialogue also offered an opportunity of exchange on the validity of the approach to monitoring DRR set during the IATF discussion and the "background document" prepared and shared with the IATF.

The outcome of the on line dialogue endorsed the approach identified by the IATF meeting and provided, among other information, feedback in terms of approach in developing the guidelines. It also provided a set of existing relevant indicators, methodology and existing documents related to monitoring progress on disaster risk reduction. A final note on the outcome of the dialogue, prepared from the moderator, is herewith attached.