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## ECHO/ISDR good practices for resilient communities

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**Good Practice Initiatives in Gender and Disasters**

### **Gender and Disaster Sourcebook**

This electronic guide, currently under development, answers pertinent questions regarding the link between gender equality and disaster risk and on lessons learned and application of knowledge in this field to reduce risk and respond equitably to disasters. Information is presented coming from different regions: Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Pacific, Middle East, also, UK, Europe and Mediterranean, US, Canada and Australia.

Presentations of good practice models in the different regions, gender sensitive checklists and field guides, information about grassroots community and women's groups active in disaster response and risk reduction among other topics appear in the Sourcebook. The poster and interactive internet display will allow for recommendations and suggestions from the public.

Other good practice initiatives that will be presented deal with the pertinent question: Why gender and disasters? Good practice initiatives to include gender as a necessary perspective in dealing equitably and more effectively in disaster situations.

**Working with Women at Risk: Practical Guidelines for Assessing Risk at the Local Level.** Community Based Organizations in the Caribbean and Central America receive training to assess risk scenarios in their communities. Practical Guidelines are developed from this experience.

**Gender Issues in Disaster Management—A Glimpse from South Asia.** Madhhavi Ariyabandu for ITDG South Asia and Duryog Nivaran. Presentation prepared for the 2004 Honolulu workshop on Gender Equality and Disaster Risk Reduction. Contact: [madhavia@itdg.slk.lk](mailto:madhavia@itdg.slk.lk). Source: under "Presentations" in the Proceedings from the 2004 workshop:

<http://www.ssri.hawaii.edu/research/GDWwebsite/pages/proceeding.html>.

**Building Capacities of Women and Community Groups.** Madhhavi Ariyabandu for ITDG South Asia and Duryog Nivaran. Presentation prepared for the 2004 Honolulu workshop on Gender Equality and Disaster Risk Reduction. Contact: [madhavia@itdg.slk.lk](mailto:madhavia@itdg.slk.lk). Source: under "Presentations" in the Proceedings from the

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**Gender and Disaster Risk Management.** SHM Fakhruddin (Bapon), Center for Environmental and Geographic Information Services. Contact: [suddin@cegisbd.com](mailto:suddin@cegisbd.com)

. Source: forthcoming on GDN website.

**Engendering Disaster Risk Management**, Elaine Enarson, June 2004. Revised version of presentation prepared for World Vision International. Contact:

[eenarson@earthlink.net](mailto:eenarson@earthlink.net). Source: forthcoming on GDN website