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Daily programme

Thursday, 20 January 2005

Official meetings

Intergovernmental segment

09:00 – 10:00	Main Sub-Committee I	Kairaku Main Committee Room
09:00 – 10:00	Main Sub-Committee II	Nunobiki Meeting Room
09:00 – 10:00	Main Sub-Committee III	Kitano Meeting Room
09:00 – 10:00	Main Sub-Committee IV	Kikusui Meeting Room
10:00 – 13:00	Plenary Special session on Indian Ocean disaster	Ohwada Plenary Room

President: Mr. Yoshitaka Murata, Minister of State for Disaster Management,
Cabinet Office, Government of Japan

Speakers:

Mr. Abdullahi Majeed, Deputy Minister of Environment, Maldives

Dr. K. Radhakrishnan, Director, Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services,
Department of Ocean Development, Government of India

Mr. Jan Egeland, UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency
Relief Coordinator

H.E. Mr. Kamal Ibne Yousuf Chowdury, Minister of Food and Disaster Management,
Government of Bangladesh

Mr. Adik Bantarso, Head of Bureau for Cooperation, National Coordination Board for
Disaster Management and Refugees, Government of Indonesia

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Participants are kindly requested to retain copies of documents throughout the session, in order to reduce paper consumption.

Intergovernmental segment (continued)

10:00 – 13:00	Plenary (continued) Special session on Indian Ocean disaster	Ohwada Plenary Room
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening remarks by the President 2. Early warning system and preparedness 3. The international emergency response, key lessons learned, and the importance of transition within a risk reduction framework 4. Country experience and perspectives 5. Initiatives towards a common outcome 6. Statements from the floor 7. Concluding remarks by the President and delivery of common outcome 	
10:00 – 13:00	Main Sub-Committee V	Kairaku Main Committee Room
14:30 – 18:30	Plenary	Ohwada Plenary Room
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General statements <i>[Item 7 of the provisional agenda]</i> <p>Switzerland United States of America Nigeria Iceland Maldives Tajikistan Venezuela Pakistan Peru Afghanistan Zambia Swaziland Mozambique Senegal Seychelles New Zealand Italy Belgium Yemen Kenya Kyrgyzstan Algeria Brazil Spain Nepal Haiti Democratic Republic of the Congo Federated States of Micronesia</p>	

Intergovernmental segment (continued)

14:30 – 18:30	Plenary (continued)	Ohwada Plenary Room
	<p>Palau Fiji Solomon Islands Barbados Cambodia Trinidad and Tobago Papua New Guinea Tonga Samoa Cook Islands Islamic Republic of Iran Peru Armenia The Netherlands European Community Council of Europe UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs International Maritime Organization UN Development Programme UN University World Meteorological Organization Asociación Iberoamericana de Organismos Gubernamentales de Defensa y Protección Civil UN Office for Outer Space Affairs Council of Europe Development Bank</p>	

15:00 – 18:00	Main Committee	Kairaku Main Committee Room
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Thematic segment

08:15 – 09:45	Regional session Small Island Development States (SIDS)	Waraku Meeting Room
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08:15 – 09:45	Regional session Asia	Ikuta Meeting Room
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Organized by: Members of ISDR Asia Partnership, namely:
Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC)
Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC)
UN Development Programme Bureau of Crisis Prevention
and Recovery (UNDP/BCPR)
UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP)
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
UN Inter-agency secretariat of the International Strategy
for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR)

Thematic segment (continued)

- 10:00 – 12:00** **Cluster 3: Session 3.1** **Ikuta Meeting Room**
Education for sustainable development: towards effective disaster reduction and enhancing human security
Organized by: UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
Kyoto University Graduate School of Global Environmental Studies (KUGSGES)
Disaster Reduction Alliance (DRA)
International Institute of Earthquake Engineering and Seismology (IIEES)
- 10:00 – 12:00** **Cluster 4: Session 4.3** **Nunobiki Meeting Room**
Financing disaster risk
Organized by: Kyoto University (KU)
World Bank
International Institute for Advanced Systems Analysis (IIASA)
- 10:00 – 12:00** **Cluster 2: Session 2.6** **Kikusui Meeting Room**
Disaster reduction through efficient risk communication
Organized by: European Commission/Joint Research Centre (EC/JRC)
UN University (UNU)
Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC)
- 12:15 – 14:15** **Cluster 3: Session 3.5** **Ikuta Meeting Room**
Seismic disaster mitigation assurance in the 21st century – how should our societies manage major earthquakes?
Organized by: Cabinet Office, Government of Japan
International Association of Earthquake Engineers (IAEE)
- 12:15 – 14:15** **Cluster 4: Session 4.4** **Nunobiki Meeting Room**
Reducing and managing disaster risk through financial services
Organized by: Swiss Federal Institute for Snow and Avalanche Research (SLF), Davos
AIR Worldwide Corporation (AIR)
- 12:15 – 14:15** **Cluster 5: Session 5.6** **Kitano Meeting Room**
Case studies on preparedness for effective response
Organized by: Government of New Zealand
Government of Tonga
Oxfam GB
Fire and Disaster Management Agency, Government of Japan
- 12:15 – 14:15** **Cluster 2: Session 2.3** **Kikusui Meeting Room**
Reducing risks through effective early warnings of severe weather hazards
Organized by: World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
National Weather Service (NWS)/ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

Thematic segment (continued)

- 13:00 – 15:00** **Thematic Panel Cluster 1** **Kairaku Main Committee Room**
Governance, institutional and policy frameworks for risk reduction
- Lead Agencies:*
 UN Development Programme Bureau of Crisis Prevention and Recovery (UNDP/BCPR)
 ProVention Consortium Secretariat
 UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
 UN Volunteers (UNV)
- Chair:* H.E. GJ Mtshali, Ambassador, South African Permanent Mission in Geneva
- Rapporteur:* Dr. Kenneth Westgate, Senior Regional Advisor, UN Development Programme Bureau of Crisis Prevention and Recovery (UNDP/BCPR)
- Speakers:*
 Mr. Khursid Alam, Policy Advisor for International Emergency Team, Action Aid International
 Mr. Keiichi Tango, Senior Executive Director, Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)
 Mr. Martin Ower, Assistant Commissioner Disaster Management, Republic of Uganda
 Ms. Irmgard Schwaetzer, Former Federal Minister in Germany and current Chairman of German Committee for Disaster Reduction (DKKV)
- 15:00 – 17:00** **Cluster 3: Session 3.4** **Ikuta Meeting Room**
Creating a culture of prevention: Gender balanced public awareness initiatives
 Organized by: FundaCRID (CRID)
 Save the Children UK
- 15:00 – 17:00** **Cluster 4: Session 4.2** **Nunobiki Meeting Room**
Vulnerability reduction of health facilities
 Organized by: National Society for Earthquake Technology, Nepal (NSET)
 Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO)
- 15:00 – 17:00** **Cluster 1: Session 1.1** **Kitano Meeting Room**
Institutional policy frameworks for disaster reduction:
The role of international financial institutions in mainstreaming risk
 Organized by: ProVention Consortium Secretariat
 Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- 15:00 – 17:00** **Cluster 2: Session 2.8** **Kikusui Meeting Room**
Data for evidence-based policy making
 Organized by: UN Development Programme (UNDP)
 Inter-Agency Task Force on Disaster Reduction Working Group 3, namely:
 Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC)
 ReliefWeb
 Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED)
 Global Disaster Information network (GDIN)
 Munich Reinsurance
 National Society for Earthquake Technology, Nepal (NSET)

Thematic segment (continued)

- 17:15 – 19:15** **Cluster 3: Session 3.9** **Ikuta Meeting Room**
Supporting community resilience is the key to reducing disaster impact
 Organized by: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
 Red Cross and Red Crescent National Societies and their local partners
 Groots International, Huairou Commission and Comte de Emergencia
 Garifuna, Honduras
 Disaster Mitigation Institute
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- 17:15 – 19:15** **Cluster 2: Session 2.1** **Nunobiki Meeting Room**
**Integrated flood risk management through appropriate knowledge sharing
 and capacity building systems**
 Organized by: Government of Japan (Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport,
 Japan Meteorological Agency, Fire and Disaster Management Agency,
 Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries)
 Bureau of Meteorology, Government of Australia
 World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
- 17:15 – 19:15** **Cluster 1: Session 1.10** **Kitano Meeting Room**
Addressing the root causes of vulnerability of human settlements in megacities
 Organized by: Earthquake and Megacities Initiative (EMI)
 UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
 UN Development Programme (UNDP)
 Kobe University
 Pacific Disaster Center (PDC)
- 17:15 – 19:15** **Cluster 1: Session 1.3** **Kikusui Meeting Room**
National systems for disaster risk management in the context of governance
 Organized by: UN Development Programme, Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery
 (UNDP/BCPR)

Meetings of regional and other interest groups (information updated as received by the WCDR secretariat)

- 08:30 – 10:00** **European Union** **Ohwada Plenary Room**
Closed meeting
- 10:00 – 11:00** **African Informal Consultation** **Kitano Meeting Room**
 Organized by: UN Environment Programme (UNEP)
 UN Inter-agency secretariat of the International Strategy
 for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR)

Public forum

Theme for Thursday, 20 January 2005

Morning: Development of a creative civil society

Afternoon: New industrial development in the local communities

Public forum workshops will be held at a range of venues within the vicinity of the Kobe Portopia Hotel.

Morning session: 09:00 - 12:00

Afternoon session: 14:00 - 17:00

The public forum exhibition and poster session will be held at the Kobe International Exhibition Hall, open daily from 10:00 to 17:00.

Further information is available in the Programme of the Public Forum.

All day	The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake Forum Organized by: Cabinet Office, Government of Japan Hyogo Prefecture	Portopia Hall Kobe Portopia Hotel
All day	Seminar for training leaders of the schools' safety Organized by: Hyogo Prefectural Government Board of Education, National Center for Teacher's Development	Main Hall International Conference Center
All day	Symposium on the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake Organized by: Kinki Regional Development Bureau of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transportation	International Conference Room 301 International Conference Center
All day	International symposium on "Building safer communities against disasters" Organized by: UN Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD) Disaster Management Planning Hyogo Office Hyogo Prefecture	Meeting Rooms 401/402 International Conference Center
All day	Symposium on cultural heritage disaster mitigation (Part 2) Organized by: Joint Network of Researchers in Cultural Heritage Disaster Mitigation	Meeting Room 502 International Conference Center
All day	Asian workshop on satellite technology data utilization for disaster monitoring Organized by: Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)	Hall A-B (used in combined form) Kobe Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI)
All day	1st International conference on urban disaster reduction Organized by: Institute of Social Safety Science, ISSS	Rokko A Kobe Bay Sheraton Hotel & Towers
Morning	Prevention of urban disasters and community development for welfare Organized by: Center for The Prevention of Urban Disasters	Meeting Room 501 International Conference Center

Public forum (continued)

Morning	Presentation of the results of "Research committee on Kobe ground and disaster mitigations" Organized by: NPO Life Safety Support Organization	Room 503/504/506 (used in combined form) International Conference Center
Morning	Effective communication solutions for first responders and emergency management Organized by: Nokia Corporation	Meeting Room 2B Kobe International Exhibition Hall
Morning	5th Workshop for comparative study on urban earthquake disaster management Organized by: Research Center for Disaster Reduction Systems	Meeting Room 3A Kobe International Exhibition Hall
Afternoon	10 years after KOBE quake and civil society Organized by: Citizens towards Overseas Disaster Emergency	Meeting Room 501 International Conference Center
Afternoon	A civic organization, a man of learning and experience, public body, and common activity Organized by: The Institution of Professional Engineers, Japan Kinki Branch	Room 503/504/506 (used in combined form) International Conference Center
Afternoon	1st International conference on urban disaster reduction Organized by: Institute of Social Safety Science, ISSS	Meeting Room 2B Kobe International Exhibition Hall
Afternoon	Workshop on improving crisis management capability Organized by: Research Center for Disaster Reduction Systems	Meeting Room 3A Kobe International Exhibition Hall
Afternoon	Reconstruction of people's lives - achievements and problems after ten years Organized by: Hanshin-Awaji Great Earthquake Hyogo Congress for Rescue and Restoration	Meeting Room 3B Kobe International Exhibition Hall
Afternoon	Kaihara Toshitami earthquake memorial seminar Organized by: Hyogo Architect Building Association	Barcelona Hotel Gaufres Kobe (Quality Hotel Kobe)
Afternoon	The citizens school of emergency medical technicians Organized by: The Kobe Shimbun	Matsukata Hall Kobe Shimbun

Social events

19:30 – 21:00	Reception hosted by the local Hyogo Cooperative Committee Upon invitation <i>(Shuttle bus transportation service between Hotel Okura and Portopia Hotel will be provided)</i>	Heian Hall 1st Floor Hotel Okura Kobe
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Media events

Attendance at press briefings and press conferences are limited to WCDR accredited journalists only (with the exception of press attachés, delegation members and UN officials directly concerned with the conference).

Further information on media-related issues is available from the Media Centre located on the 3rd floor of the International Conference Center Kobe.

10:30 – 11:30 **Press conference: Launch of “The Eighth Plague:
West Africa’s locust invasion” film** **Room 403
International Conference Center Kobe**

Speaker: Chris Horwood, Integrated Regional Information Networks (IRIN)

Organized by: Integrated Regional Information
Networks (IRIN)

13:00 – 14:00 **Press conference on special session
on Indian Ocean disaster** **Waraku Press Conference Room
Kobe Portopia Hotel**

Speakers:

Mr. Yoshitaka Murata, President of the World Conference on Disaster Reduction and
Minister of State for Disaster Management, Cabinet Office, Government of Japan

Mr. Jan Egeland, UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs
and Emergency Relief Coordinator

Mr. Shuzen Tanigawa, Senior Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Government of Japan

Mr. Salvano Briceno, Director, Inter-agency secretariat of the International
Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR)

14:00 – 14:30 **WFP’s role in emergency preparedness and
response and disaster reduction** **Waraku Press Conference Room
Kobe Portopia Hotel**

Speaker: Mr. James Morris, Executive Director, World Food Programme (WFP)

Organized by: World Food Programme (WFP)

14:15 – 14:45 **Innovative financial solutions to disaster losses** **Salon de Savoir Press Conference/
Briefing Room
Kobe Portopia Hotel**

Speakers:

Dr. Joanne Linnerbooth-Bayer, International Institute for Advanced Systems Analysis

Prof. Charles Scathorn, Kyoto University

Mr. Christopher Pusch, World Bank

Dr. Koko Warner, Swiss Federal Institute for Snow and Avalanche Research (SLF)

Dr. Ming Lee, AIR-Worldwide

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