

Third International Conference on Early Warning

Bonn, March 27 - 29, 2006

Projects Forum (Plenary Chamber)

Monday 27 March 2006

10:00	Welcome Address by the Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany, Dr. Frank-Walter Steinmeier	Opening	
10:15	Opening Address by United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, Mr. Jan Egeland		
10:30	Message from the Mayors' Conference on Early Warning, delivered by Mr Juan del Granado Cosio, Lord Mayor of the City of La Paz		
10:35 Keynote	Keynote Address by Ms Katherine Sierra, World Bank, Vice-President Infrastructure		
10:55	Organizational Matters		
11:00	Plenary adjourns		
11:00	Press Conference		
11:30	Opening of Poster Session		
12:25	Plenary resumes		
12:30	Address by Special Guest President William J. Clinton, UN Special Envoy for Tsunami Recovery, Followed by a Short Discussion		
13:30	Plenary adjourns		
13:00 - 15:00	Lunch Break		
15:00	Opening of Session by Chairman	Session 1: Earth (Moderator: Thomas Kausch)	
15:05 Keynote	Overarching Issue 1: A Global Early Warning System; Who is Responsible and How can it be Achieved? International Action and Governance to Build Reliable Systems Worldwide, to Energise Partnerships, and to Capitalize on Opportunities and Plug the Gaps Keynote: Sir David King (Chief Scientific Advisor, UK)		
15:30	Introduction to Session 1: EARTH Shaking, Blasting and Sliding - Ready and Resilient for the Hazards of the Earth During this session, the following projects will be presented that illustrate problems encountered and solutions offered in relation to earthquakes, landslides and volcanic activity		
	Projects		Discussion Themes
15:35 Presentation	From Local Action to National Cooperation: A National and People Centered Early Warning System in Tajikistan		Public Awareness and Education
15:50 Discussion	Mr. Mirzo Ziyouev (Minister of Emergency Situations and Civil Defense), Ms. Nigia Alieva (United Nations Disaster Risk Management Project, UNDRMP)		Community Response Capability
16:15 Presentation	An Early Warning System for Hazards of the Tungurahua and Cotopaxi Volcanoes, Province of Tungurahua, Ecuador		Hazard Assessment
16:30 Discussion	Mr Mauro Rodriguez Benítez (Coordinator, Junta Provincial de Seguridad Ciudadana y Defensa Civil de Tungurahua), Hugo Yepes (Director, Instituto Geofísico, Escuela Politécnica Nacional)		Risk Assessment and Perception
16:55 Presentation	A Warning Analysis Network and Site for Iran		Forecasting and Technical Monitoring Systems
17:10 Discussion	Mohammad Reza Houshmand Marvasti (National Disaster Task Force of the Ministry of Interior)		
17:35 Presentation	Flooding and landslides Early Warning Systems in the City of La Paz, Bolivia		Decision-making Processes for Communication and Dissemination of Warnings
17:50 Discussion	Dr Juan del Granado Cosio- (Lord Mayor, City of La Paz) Short Presentation of Geographical Analysis of the Watershed of the Mocotíes and Lineamientos Valley and Urban Local Plan for Sustainable Development for the Community of Santa Cruz de Mérida, Venezuela Mr Alejandro Linayo (FUNDAPRIS, Fundación para la Prevención del Riesgo Sísmico, Universidad de Los Andes)		
18:25	Wrap up Earth Session		
18:30	Close by Chairman		
19:00	Reception hosted by the German Federal Foreign Office		

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09:00	Opening of Session by Chairman		Session 2: Water (Moderator: Mishal Husain)
09:03	Feedback from Symposium Session 1: Multi-hazard Approaches		
09:10 Keynote	Overarching Issue 2: National Warning Systems for all Hazards and all People		
09:20 Discussion	Welding the Best Players into the Best Team for the Best Results: Politicians, Hazard Experts, disaster authorities, media, community leaders Keynote: Ms Barbara Carby (Director, Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management, Kingston, Jamaica)		
09:35	Introduction to Session 2: WATER Too much or little - coping with the hazards of Water Participants will be presented with the following projects to illustrate problems and solutions related to climate risks, floods and tsunamis:		
	Projects	Discussion Themes	
09:40 Presentation	Enhancing Hydroclimate Monitoring, Early Warning and Applications for the Reduction of Climate Related Risks in the Greater Horn of Africa	Vulnerability Assessment	
9:55 Discussion	Prof. Laban Ogallo, IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Centre	Gender and Cultural Diversity	
10:25 Presentation	Implementing a Real-time Flood Forecasting System for East Black Sea Region Fatih Keskin (General Directorate of State Hydraulic Works DSI)	Understanding and Respecting Warnings	
10:40 Discussion		Reliability of Warnings	
11:10 Presentation	Towards a Multi-Hazard Early Warning and Response System in West Africa: A Multi-Hazard Approach to Forecasting Adverse Health Impacts in Africa	Benefits and Challenges of a Multi-hazard Approach	
11:25 Discussion	David Rogers (World Meteorological Organization)		
11:55 Presentation	Early Warning Systems for Natural Hazards in the Bi-national River Basin Catamayo-Chira Rodrigo Vivar Bermeo (Prefect, Province of Loja, Ecuador), Lorenzo Salazar Chavesta (Deputy Director, Gerencia de Recursos, Piura, Peru)	International/ Regional Cooperation and Coordination	
12:10 Discussion		National Cooperation and Coordination	
12:40 Presentation	Establishment of an Information Chain to Influence the Behaviour of Populations Exposed to Atmospheric and Geological Risks (Cyclones and Tsunamis) in the Caribbean Basin and the Atlantic Ocean, with a View to Reducing their Vulnerability Victorin Lurel (the President of the Regional Council of Guadeloup), Pierre-Marie Sarant (CORISK), PIRAC	(Discussion after lunch break)	
12:55	Session adjourns; House-keeping Matters (Secretary); Close of Session (Chairman)		
13:00-15:00	Lunch Break and Workshops		
13:00-14:00	The African Centre for Early Warning and Disaster Reduction in the Indian Ocean AfrEDI (Room G/F); and Risk Management of Extreme Floods , GeoResearchCentrePotsdam & Universität Karlsruhe (Room E)		Workshops
13:00-15:00	Wildland Fire , Global Fire Monitoring Centre (Room D). This will include presentation of two projects: Global Early Warning System for Wildland Fire T. Keenan, W. De Groot, G. Morgan Early Alert, Monitoring and Impact Assessment System for Forest Fires in Mexico and Central America, Dr. Rainer Ressler, The National Commission for the Knowledge and Use of Biodiversity		
14:00-15:00	Tsunami Early Warning Strengthening Project in the Indian Ocean: Partnership for Building Resilience to Tsunamis , ISDR Platform for the Promotion of Early Warning & Partners (Room G/F); and Education and Knowledge: Protecting Schools & Promoting Disaster Risk Awareness to Save Lives (Knowledge and Education ISDR System Cluster), (Room E)		
15:00	Chairman reconvenes Plenary		

15:03 Discussion	Session 2 continued Discussion Themes: Integrating Early Warning into Development Plans and Poverty Reduction Strategies; People Centered Early Warning Systems; Tsunami		Session 2: Water (Moderator: Mishal Husain)
15:45	Wrap up Water Session (Moderator)		
15:50	Close of Session (Chairman)		
15:50-16:00	Coffee Break		
16:00	Chairman reconvenes Plenary		Session 3: Air (Moderator: Sir Trevor McDonald)
16:05	Introduction to Session 3: AIR Weather Eyes Open - Predicting and Responding to Hazards of the Air During this session, the following projects will be presented, to illustrate problems and solutions related to drought and desertification, storms and climate risks:		
	Projects	Discussion Themes	
16:10 Presentation	Development of a Regional Sand and Dust Storm Early Warning System (SDS-EWS) in North East Asia Dr Zhang Xiao-Ye (Director, Center for Atmosphere Watch and Services, China Meteorological Administration)	Knowledge Transfer	
16:25 Discussion		Access to Data and Information	
16:55 Presentation	Early Warning Communications System for Kingdom of Tonga (139) Mr Maliu Takai (Deputy Director, National Disaster Management Office)	People Centred Dissemination Systems	
17:10 Discussion		Technical Dissemination Systems and Equipment	
17:40	Feedback from Symposium Session 2: Mega Events		
17:45	Session adjourns; House-keeping Matters (Secretary); Close of Session (Chairman);		
18:30	Reception hosted by the City of Bonn		

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09:00	Chairman reconvenes Plenary; Moderator resumes Session		Session 3: Air (Moderator: Sir Trevor McDonald)
09:05 Presentation	Development of an Advanced Tropical Cyclone Early Warning System for the Philippines Dr Prisco Nilo (Deputy Director, Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration PAGASA)	Strengthening Institutional Capacities and Mechanisms	
09:20 Discussion		Early Warning Pays Off	
09:50 Presentation	Early Warning Systems for Desert Locusts – A West Africa Pilot Project Mr Mactar Ndiaye (Directeur, Météorologie Nationale, Senegal) M.V.K. Sivarkumar (Chief, Agricultural Meteorology Division, WMO)	Legal and Policy Frameworks	
10:05 Discussion		Making Early Warning a Long Term Priority	
10:35	Wrap up Air Session		
10:40	Introduction of Overarching Issue speakers Eunice Mucache and Henri Josserand		
10:45 Keynote	Overarching Issue 3: The Ultimate Question Who Gets the Message and What Should They do? Engaging communities, building awareness and preparedness, and making early warning systems people-centred Keynote: Ms. Eunice Mucache (Director of Programmes of the Mozambique Red Cross Society) Overarching Issue 4: Early Warning for Early Action - Mobilizing the International Community Keynote: Mr. Henri Josserand (Chief, ESCG, Global Information and Early Warning System, UN Food and Agriculture Organisation)		
11:30	Chairman adjourns Session		
11:30-12:00	Coffee Break		
12:00	Chairman reconvenes Plenary (including the Participants of the Technical and Scientific Symposium)		Closing Session (Plenary Chamber)
12:05	Feedback from Symposium Session 3: People, Politics, Economics		
12:10	Conclusions from Symposium (Dr Irmgard Schwaetzer)		
12:20	Conference Conclusions (Moderator)		
12:35	Closing Remarks, (Co-Chair Salvano Briceno)		
12:45	Closing Remarks and Conference Statement (Co-chair Hans-Joachim Daerr)		
12:55	House-keeping Matters (Secretary)		
13:00	Close by Chairman / Conference ends		