Networking Event
Making Cities Resilient 2030 (MCR2030)
Introduction & Background

Making Cities Resilient (MCR) Campaign: My Cities is Getting Ready!

• **10 years** since 2010, with 2 extensions in 2012 and 2016.

• Originally served as an **advocacy campaign** to raise awareness and local political commitment on DRR.

• Extended to providing **knowledge & toolkits** aligned with Sendai Framework to support its implementation (e.g. Local Government Handbook on How to Make Cities More Resilient; 10 Essentials for Making Cities Resilient, Disaster Resilience Scorecard for Cities, Quick Risk Estimation Tool, etc.)

• In **partnership** with a network of individual experts and organizational partners.

• Main focus is on **Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) & Disaster Resilience.**

**The Campaign is due to end in 2020**

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Should the effort on making cities resilient continue?

• **Yes** – all partners are committed to the agenda of urban risk reduction and resilience and feel the efforts should continue (outcome of the MCR Campaign steering committee meeting in Barcelona in 2018)
With the growing demand and depth of support by cities, what the MCR Campaign successor should look like and how it can address the needs of cities?

**Series of consultations were held:**

- **Online survey** (Feb-Mar 2019)
- **Face-to-face consultation sessions**
  - At the *Experience Sharing workshop* with pilot cities and partners of the “Making Cities Sustainable and Resilient” initiative supported by the European Commission (8 Mar 2019, Incheon)
  - At the *MCR Campaign Steering Committee Meeting* (24-25 April 2019, Barcelona)
  - At the *Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction* (16 May 2019, Geneva)
  - At the *Resilient Cities Congress* (26 Jun 2019, Bonn)
  - At the *UCLG Congress: World Summit of Local and Regional Leaders* (14 Nov 2019, Durban)
- **MCR related research**
  - MCR Campaign desk review 2019 (Jan - Apr 2019)
  - Comparative study of MCR cities vs non-MCR cities based on the local government survey 2018 (April 2019)
  - Lesson learned from the pilot initiative “Making Cities Sustainable and Resilient” (Mar - May 2019)
# Building on the lessons learnt

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<th>The new programme must:</th>
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<td>Cities and their <strong>resilience journeys are unique:</strong></td>
<td>set out a clear resilience pathway that offers different entry and exit points.</td>
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<td>Cities are the best teachers:</td>
<td>support a city-to-city, horizontal knowledge exchange and peer learning programme, where cities lead and learn by example.</td>
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<td>DRR strategies cannot be stand-alone; they need to be developed in coherence with other global frameworks:</td>
<td>contribute towards coherence.</td>
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<td>Cities need access to different tools, partners and services at different stages of their resilience journey:</td>
<td>connect cities with local and global technical providers who can support assessments, planning, provide technical specialized input, support implementation and monitoring.</td>
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<td>Access to financing to implement change is one of the biggest hurdles for building resilience for cities:</td>
<td>connect cities with funding streams and innovative financing tools.</td>
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<td>Vertical integration between national and local governments contributes towards sustainability:</td>
<td>proactively strengthen linkages between national and local governments.</td>
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<td>The private sector needs to be brought in early and able to play to its strengths:</td>
<td>more actively involve and engage with the private sector, respecting the sector’s need for financial and resource sustainability.</td>
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Making Cities Resilient 2030 (MCR2030)
Summary of zero draft proposal

- A **roadmap** for cities with defined commitments over time on how to improve resilience;
- An **operational structure** that supports, connects and facilitates resilience-building, offering a range of tools and services including peer-learning and knowledge exchange amongst cities, support from technical service providers;
- **Tools and knowledge guidance** that provide inputs into cities’ understanding of how to better reduce risk and build resilience;
- A **regional network** of actors with strong links and implementation experience on DRR;
- A **global partnership** of key partners with expertise and global networks across urban resilience, DRR, climate change and the SDGs, that keep MCR2030 connected with global policies to aid coherence in contributing towards the 2030 Agenda;
- A **marketplace/registry** that cities can use to find potential specialist service providers who can support implementation of actions for reducing disaster risks;
- An **online dashboard** application allowing cities to record, monitor and evaluate progress.
Incentives to join MCR2030

i. **Offer of expertise** with a trusted regional network of technical and institutional specialists;

ii. **Access to a range of technical and knowledge resources** to address the challenges to increased disaster resilience;

iii. **Opportunities to access finance** for the implementation of DRR strategies into actions.

iv. **Networking opportunities** for learning from other cities and cities associations;

v. **Opportunities to innovate, test, lead and advise other cities and exchange ideas, information and approaches on what works;**

vi. **Membership within a global movement** dedicated to addressing local resilience globally.

vii. **Vertical integration** between national and local governments contributes towards sustainability.
Strategic direction and areas of support
Strategic objectives

Cross-cutting Objective: Increase vertical links with the national governments and horizontal links amongst local partners, mainstreaming resilience throughout and between partners, functions and services.
Programmatic areas of support

Stage A: increasing awareness, better understanding risks and developing DRR strategies

1. Ensuring Impactful and Effective Advocacy for raising awareness
2. Understanding of Localized Risks

Stage B: operationalizing and committing resources DRR strategies

3. Improving Assessment and Diagnostic Skills
4. Increasing National/Regional Links and Alignment with Local Governments
5. Improving Effective Strategies, Planning, Policies and Responses

Stage C: securing longer-term financial and other resource for delivery, refinement and mainstreaming of DRR strategies

6. Increasing the Ability of Access to Finance
7. Improving the Ability to Design and Build Resilient Infrastructure
8. Developing/Fostering/Scaling of Nature Based DRR and Resilience
9. Ensuring Reduction of Disaster Risks and Enhancing Institutional Abilities to Mitigate Against Shocks/Stresses and Responses to Climatic Variability
10. Increasing Sensitivity, Understanding and Action on the Needs of the Urban Poor and Vulnerable

Activity areas applicable to all city stages

11. Improving Knowledge-Action and Horizontal Linkages Within Cities
12. Improving and Supporting Knowledge Sharing Amongst Cities through peer-learning
City engagement
MCR2030 Resilience Roadmap

IMPACT:
cities improve resilience and are on sustainability pathways to deliver SDG 11

Stage A cities

INDUCTION AND ORIENTATION:
• Commitment and willingness to lead on DRR improvements
• Commitment and resources dedicated to deliver cross-sectoral DRR improvements & increase knowledge sharing

Stage B cities

PROGRESSION:
• Commitment, ability and willingness to embed DRR improvements

Stage C cities

IMPLEMENTATION & MAINSTREAMING:
• Actioned DRR strategy and resilience plan with sustained budget and institutional commitments

City assessments and self-identification of entry points

City’s engagement

Outcome

Activities along a continuum
Integration across activities to ensure coordination, comprehensive and systematic responses, strategies and action. A multi-sectoral approach with multiple partnerships

Activity Area

Improving knowledge exchange with city structures and sectors

Improving knowledge exchange between cities

Spreading the message
Understanding of localized risks

Improving assessment and diagnostic skills

Improving strategies, planning, policies and responses

Ensuring climate risks factored into DRR strategies

Increasing access to finance

Developing and scaling of nature-based solutions

Improving the ability to design and build critical resilient infrastructure

Increasing national, regional links and alignment with local governments

Increasing access to climate finance

Improving inclusion
Resilience hubs

- Cities that have dedicated resources to share and disseminate information and connect cities with specialist service providers and networks.
- Resilience Hubs can host international sessions related to the MCR2030 and coordinate study tours to showcase practical examples, making available publications and information, access to other partners, seed financing, assistance with credit ratings and development of municipal bond markets.
- The current role model cities of the campaign will be given the opportunity to be considered as Resilience Hub, if they are willing to make the required commitments.

Call for cities to become partners of the MCR2030 and promote peer-to-peer learning
Partnership engagement
Partners - 1

Core partners
- Those international agencies/organizations that are essential to the ability of MCR2030 to lever the technical, knowledge and other resources necessary for cities to become sustainable in their DRR needs.
- Core partners will contribute their time, knowledge and effort to assist MCR2030 by becoming members of the Partnership Board.
- It is expected that aside from the in-kind contributions and commitments, Core Partners will actively support MCR2030 by serving as its ambassadors, as peer reviewers and mentors and playing both partnership-brokering and advocacy-making roles. All Core Partners will be self-contributing to

Supporting partners
- Are specialized agencies/organizations in the technical fields of interest to MCR2030 and will be in the majority of cases operating at the regional level.
- Some Supporting Partners will be the local and regional arms of Core Partners. Academic, scientific, research and other relevant entities and organizations can also serve as Supporting Partners.
- Aside from the in-kind contributions and commitments, Supporting Partners may actively promote MCR2030 by hosting regional networking, capacity building and information sharing events.
National governments and associations

- National governments will need to guide and support development of DRR strategies at the local government, by providing guidance and tools, expertise, capacity development, and resources. This may be in the form of a national level program for promoting DRR at the local level, embedded in the urban development related ministries.

- The partners of the MCR2030 will need to engage with relevant ministries at the national government level, especially those dealing with urban development and issues of DRR, to ensure this vertical link between actions at the national and local levels.

Private sector

- The private sector can provide a variety of support to local governments in a mutual endeavor to reduce disaster risks – as provider of basic services and utilities

- Private sector entities may have the expertise and technical skills local governments require to assess risks and take measures for mitigation and prevention.
Marketplace

Specialist service providers (SSPs)
- Will be necessary to ensure cities have access to technical advisory services
- Will charge a fee for these services
- A registry of SSPs will be made available for each of the five regions
- This will function as a marketplace, where service providers and those requiring their services can meet, understand each other’s needs and requirements, terms and conditions for service provision, and determine the most beneficial modality to achieve the delivery of services.
- The Registry will function like a directory or yellow pages, with no guarantees of the quality of services offered. MCR2030’s role will be to provide the online access.
Call for MCR2030 Partnership!

Working together towards making cities resilient and sustainable in the MCR2030

• How can we work collaboratively to accelerate the progress in making cities resilient?

• What could be your organization’s potential role in the MCR2030?
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