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FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

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Concept Note and Agenda

Preconference workshop on national DRR strategies

National DRR strategies: Taking Commitment to Action

A preconference workshop to exchange experiences, share lessons learned from effective approaches for developing and updating national DRR strategies

Date and time: May 22rd, 3:00-7:00pm 2017, Expo Center 3

Co-organizers: UNISDR, UNDP, CADRI Partnership

Link to event page:

<http://www.unisdr.org/conferences/2017/globalplatform/en/programme/preparatory-days/view/823>

Duration: 4 hours

Expected number of participants: 100+

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Background

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 – 2030 marks a crucial shift from managing disasters to managing risk and establishes resilience-building as a common denominator of the 2030 Agenda.

To achieve the disaster risk reduction outcome at national and local level, the strong political leadership and commitment and involvement of all stakeholders at all levels are required to pursue the goal of the Sendai Framework: “Prevent new and reduce existing disaster risk through the implementation of integrated and inclusive economic, structural, legal, social, health, cultural, educational, environmental, technological, political and institutional measures that prevent and reduce hazard exposure and vulnerability to disaster, increase preparedness for response and recovery, and thus strengthen resilience”.

Pursuing this goal, requires a strategic approach and a well-defined plan to ensure the efforts are coordinated and resources are efficiently used across all sectors and stakeholders. Reflecting this foundational requirement, Target e of the Sendai Framework calls for “substantially increase the number of countries with national and local disaster risk reduction strategies by 2020”.



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The Plenary 1 of the main program of the global platform¹ covers the high level key elements that enable development of DRR strategies at national and local level.

The pre-conference workshop is organized to complement the Plenary 1 with an opportunity for country representatives and stakeholders to discuss various aspects of process and design of national DRR strategies in more depth.

Issue Brief paper of Plenary 1 and a draft “Think Piece on National DRR Strategy” have been developed on key process elements and core requirements of national DRR strategies as outlined by the Sendai Framework. These document will be the basis for discussion at the preconference workshop.

Session Objectives

The workshop has two objectives:

- I. Using country cases to introduce and discuss enabling components and minimum requirements for national DRR strategies
- II. To receive feedback and inputs from participants for the way forward in developing Words into Action guidelines on national DRR strategies

The background documents (Issue Brief and Think Piece) will be used as the basis of discussion.

Agenda

Opening Remarks (Kirsi Madi, UNISDR Director)	10min
Introduction to best approaches in process and design of DRR Strategies (Jo Scheuer, UNDP Director, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support)	15min
A. Comprehensive national DRR strategy	25min
B. The governance structure and the role of National Platforms	25min
Break 10min	
C. Legislative or regulatory frameworks Requirement	25min
D. Understanding Disaster Risk for Developing DRR Strategy	25min
E. Evaluation of DRR System and Prioritization of DRR Measures	25min
Break 10min	
F. Understanding DRR Financing Options for Implementation	25min
G. DRR Strategy and Implementation Monitoring Mechanism	25min
Discussion on the way forward in developing Guidelines on National DRR Strategies	15min
Closing remarks	5 min

¹ Plenary Session 1: “National and Local Disaster Risk Reduction Strategies Paving the Way for Action by All”, on May 25th, at 9:00am



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Outcome

Key discussion points can be reflected by member states at Plenary 1 on May 25th

A Short report will be prepared providing recommendations for the way forward for Words into Action guideline on National DRR Strategies.

List of Confirmed Countries:

Armenia, Uganda, Namibia, Solomon Island, Netherlands, India, Georgia, Cabo Verde, Indonesia, Turkey