



International Conference on the Implementation of the Health Aspects of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 – 2030

10 – 11 March 2016, The Royal Orchid Sheraton Hotel
Bangkok, Thailand

Programme

Thursday, 10 March 2016 (Day 1/2)

08.00-09.00 hrs. Registration

09.00-10.00 hrs. **Opening ceremony**
Venue: Ballroom 2 and 3

Welcoming remarks by

Ms. Pornprapai Ganjanarintr, Director-General, Department of
International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand

Opening remarks by

H.E. Clin. Prof. Emeritus Dr. Piyasakol Sakolsatayadorn, Minister of
Public Health of Thailand

Keynote addresses by

- Mr. Robert Glasser, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, The UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)
- Dr. Bruce Aylward, Executive Director a.i. Outbreaks and Health Emergencies, World Health Organization (WHO)

Group photo

10.00 – 10.30 hrs. Tea/Coffee break

10.00 – 10.30 hrs. **Joint press briefing (Royal Thai Government, UNISDR and WHO)**

Venue: Riverside 2

10.45 – 12.30 hrs. **Remarks by the Chair of the Conference, H.E. Mr. Thani Thongphakdi, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Thailand to the UN and International Organizations in Geneva**

First Panel Discussion: Implementation of the Sendai Framework for DRR - strengthening multisectoral disaster risk reduction to address the risks to people's health.

The Panel will focus on the following:

- (1) Lessons learned from past disasters (flooding, tsunami and earthquake, emerging diseases, etc.) indicated the need to further strengthen disaster preparedness for response of countries.
- (2) Resilience of health systems, including through integration of DRR in national health plans and strategies
- (3) Promoting functioning multi-hazards early warning systems, risk assessment and information, and health-related innovations at all levels for risk-informed resilient health systems and integrated national risk profiling.
- (4) Public and private investment in disaster risk reduction, including in resilient health facilities and other life-saving and harm-reducing measures.

Moderator – Dr. Suwit Wibulpolprasert, Advisor on Global Health to the Office of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Health of Thailand

Panelists

- Police Lieutenant General. Nadhapit Snidvongs, Vice Minister of Interior, Thailand
- Dr. Bagus Tjahjono, Director of Training Center, National Disaster Management Authority, Indonesia
- Mr. Krishna Raut, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Nepal

- Dr. Maria Guevara, Regional Humanitarian Representative (ASEAN) Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF)/Doctors Without Borders
- Prof. Shinichi Egawa, Disaster Medical Science, International Cooperation for Disaster Medicine, Tohoku University of Japan

12.30 – 14.00 hrs. Luncheon at Riverside 5-7

12.30 – 14.00 hrs. **Side event** “Health Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia: Good Practices, Opportunities and Challenges”
Organizer: Collaborating Centre for Oxford University and Chinese University of Hong Kong for Disaster and Medical Humanitarian Response (CCOUC)

Venue: Riverside 2

14.00 – 16.00 hrs. **Second Panel Discussion: *Capacity building of public health preparedness and response***

The Panel will focus on the following:

- (1) New challenges posed by infectious disease outbreaks, including their potential political, economic, social and developmental impacts.
- (2) Managing and enhancing the capacity of health workers in disaster medicine and of community health workers to combat epidemics and pandemics and other disasters
- (3) Collaboration between health authorities and other relevant stakeholders to strengthen national capacities for pandemic preparedness and response
- (4) Transboundary cooperation for policy and planning for the implementation of the Sendai Framework for DRR, including health emergencies and pandemic risks.

Moderator – Dr. Bruce Aylward, WHO Executive Director *ad interim*, Outbreaks and Health Emergencies

Panelists

- Dr. Donghyok Kwon, Deputy Scientific Director, Center of Disease Control of Republic of Korea
- Dr. Supamit Chunsuttiwat, Advisor, Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health of Thailand

- Ms. Yvette Stevens, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Sierra Leone to the UN in Geneva
- Dr. Massimo Ciotti, Head of Section Country Preparedness Support, The European Center for Disease Control (ECDC)
- Mr. Vongthep Arthakaivalvatee, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for Socio-Cultural Community

16.00 – 17.00 hrs. **Input and Lessons Learnt from the Table Top Exercise**
The Table Top Exercise will be conducted in a closed session prior to the Conference between Japan and Thailand disaster relief teams in response to a hypothetical pandemic outbreak.

17.00 – 17.30 hrs. **Present the conference draft outcome document**

18.15 hrs. **Welcome dinner** (River Cruise) hosted by the Royal Thai Government

Friday, 11 March 2016 (Day 2/2)

09.00 – 09.30 hrs **Summary of Day 1 and overview of Day 2 discussions**

- H.E. Mr. Thani Thongphakdi, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Thailand to the UN and International Organizations in Geneva
- Dr. Chadia Wannous, Senior Advisor, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)

09.30 – 11.30 hrs. **Third Panel Discussion: *Strengthening the design and implementation of inclusive policy and social safety-net mechanisms for DRR***
The Panel will focus on the following:
(1) Community involvement during and post disaster phases in livelihood enhancement programmes and in ensuring access to basic health care services.

- (2) Addressing the needs of people disproportionately affected by disasters and empowering women and persons with disabilities to lead and promote gender equitable and universally accessible disaster preparedness, response, recovery, rehabilitation and reconstruction programmes.
- (3) The development and implementation of policies and plans to manage the risks to access to health care services during and post disasters for people with life-threatening and chronic diseases and for mental health.
- (4) Strengthening social safety-net mechanisms to reduce the risks, especially Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

Moderator - Mr. Elhadj As Sy, Secretary General, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)

Panelists

- Dr. Raul Latorre, Director General for the Development of Health Services, Minister of Health of Paraguay.
- Mrs. Netnapis Suchonwanich, Deputy Secretary-General of National Health Security Office (NHSO), Thailand
- Mr. Baltz Tribunalo, Chief of DRRM, Cebu, Philippines
- Dr. Motus Nenette, Regional Director (ad interim) and Regional Migration Health Adviser, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

11.30 – 12.30hrs. **Consideration of the conference draft outcome document**

12.30 – 14.00 hrs. Luncheon at Riverside 5-7

12.30 – 14.00 hrs. **Side event** “Enhancing partnerships for healthier communities: One Billion Coalition for Resilience”

Organizer: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)

Venue: Riverside 2

14.00 -16.00 hrs. **Fourth Panel Discussion: *Partnerships and the role of stakeholders***

The Panel will focus on the following:

1. The role of national DRR platforms, including civil-military coordination as a cross-sectorial coordination and response mechanism, inclusive of public health sector
2. The importance of stand-by agreements for personnel and materials to respond to crisis and the role of existing networks of experts and supply chains
3. The role of Public Private Partnership in risk management-prevention, preparedness, response and recovery
4. Support cross-sectoral, transboundary collaboration and information sharing for all hazards, including biological hazards

Moderator – Ms. Margareta Wahlstrom, Former Special Representative of Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction

Panelists

- Mr. Azizul Haque, Deputy Chief (Planning), Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh
- Dr. Roderico Ofrin, Director Health Security and Emergency Response, Regional Office for South-East Asia, WHO
- Dr. Dennis Carroll, Director, Global Health Security and Development, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)
- Mr. Thavirap Tantiwongse, Director of Public Affairs, GlaxoSmithKline (Thailand) ltd
- Dr. Herath Hema, National Coordinator/Disaster Management, Sri Lanka

16.00 – 16.30 hrs. Tea/Coffee break

16.30 - 17.00 hrs. **Closing Plenary**

Presentation of the conference draft outcome document

Dr. Chadia Wannous, Senior Advisor, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)

Closing remarks by the co-organizers of the conference

- Dr. Chadia Wannous, Senior Advisor, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)
- Dr. Daniel Kertesz, Representative to Thailand, World Health Organization (WHO)
- Dr. Phusit Prakongsai, Director, Bureau of International Health Ministry of Public Health, Thailand
- H.E. Mr. Thani Thongphakdi, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Thailand to the UN and International Organizations in Geneva

End of program
