

## **Statement by CADRI at GP/DRR Meeting:**

The Capacity for Disaster Reduction Initiative (CADRI) was launched yesterday, 6 June, as a joint initiative of three UN organizations: UNDP's Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery (BCPR), UN Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA) and the secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR). CADRI will be the nucleus of a thematic platform of the ISDR system, dedicated to issues and the practice for building capacity for disaster risk reduction.

CADRI's creation and the collaboration on the part of the three organizations is a reflection of the centrality of capacity to the implementation of disaster risk reduction strategies at regional, national and local levels. We anticipate that CADRI will engage with all five priorities of the Hyogo Framework. CADRI will serve as the basis for the creation of a wide and diverse community of practice with each member or organization adding its own professional networks and capacities in support of the broader objective of national capacity development for disaster risk reduction.