The ISDR system of partners and the UNISDR secretariat

Multi-stakeholder meeting on Disaster Risk Reduction – Bishkek – 27 July 2009

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Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015: Building the resilience of nations and communities to disasters

Five priorities for action

1. **Governance**: ensure that disaster risk reduction is a national and local priority with strong institutional basis for implementation

2. **Risk identification**: identify, assess and monitor disaster risks and enhance early warning

3. **Reducing the underlying risk factors** in various sectors (environment, health, construction, etc.)

4. **Knowledge**: use knowledge, innovation and education to build a culture of safety and resilience at all levels

5. **Strengthen disaster preparedness for effective response**

*Words Into Action: A Guide for Implementing the Hyogo Framework*

www.unisdr.org/eng/hfa/docs/Words-into-action/Words-Into-Action.pdf
120 HFA Focal Points
Have been formally designated with responsibility for the implementation and follow-up of the Hyogo Framework for Action (marked in 

51 National Platforms for Disaster Risk Reduction
Have been established/strengthened in: Argentina, Botswana, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cape Verde, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Equator, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mali, F.D.R. of Macedonia, Monaco, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Panama, Philippines, Russian Federation, Senegal, Seychelles, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, USA, Venezuela, Zambia.
Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction

Chair of the ISDR system
UN USG for Humanitarian Affairs

Mgt. Oversight Board (MOB)
supports & advises the Chair

National Platforms
multi-stakeholder coordinating bodies

Regional Platforms
address regional issues

Thematic Platforms
risk assessment, early warning, recovery etc.

ISDR Support group
informal venue for Member states

Inter-Agency Group
joint work planning & coordination of int’l agencies

Scientific & technical committee
advises Global Platform

UN/ISDR acts as the secretariat for the ISDR system
ISDR system levels of action ("platforms")
Define priorities: Strategic information, guidance and assessments of progress

**National implementation**
National frameworks, multi-stakeholders, and multi-disciplinary National Platforms for DRR
Support from UN country team and/or WB – when appropriate

**Regional**
Based on existing regional and sub-regional strategies and mechanisms
- e.g. CAREC, Asian Ministerial Conference on DRR, ISDR Asia Partnership ECO

**Thematic**
Building on existing networks, clusters, programmes and other mechanisms
- e.g. Education Platform (in preparation), Seismic Risk Reduction

**Global Platform for DRR**
Biennial sessions
Global Assessment Report
ISDR secretariat functions

Facilitate the implementation of HFA & DRR – raise commitment to reducing losses from natural hazards

Policy development and reporting:
- Guidelines (HFA)
- Progress reporting
- UNCT- RC training

Advocacy and public awareness:
- Media outreach
- Good practices
- Foster champions

Information Management:
- PreventionWeb
- Network of expertise
- Info standards

Regional outreach: Supporting partners in regions and countries
- Promote national platforms & action plans
- Regional partnerships/strategies- RECS
- Policy – Advocacy – Information services

Management, monitoring and resource mobilization
- ISDR system Joint Work Programme
- Resource mobilization

Focus areas

Same focus regional/national

Service the ISDR system

Joint partnership with WB: Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery
ISDR secretariat (UNISDR) presence

**Geneva** (Headquarters)
- Early Warning Platform Bonn

**Europe & CIS**
- Geneva
- Dushanbe

**Americas**
- Panama
- Liaison in New York

**Asia & Pacific**
- Bangkok
- Suva (Fiji)
- Liaison in Kobe (Japan)

**West Asia & North Africa**
- Nairobi
- Addis Ababa (AU)
- Cairo
- Tehran
Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015: 
Building the Resilience of Nations and Communities to Disasters

Progress – international UN system

- **UNDP**: working closely with ISDR- CADRI, global report, GRIP, national capacity building programmes
- **UNESCO**: education & science
- **UNICEF**: education and emergencies programmes
- **WMO**: disaster prevention and mitigation programme, national surveys
- **UNEP**: environmental group, country cases
- **WHO**: Safe hospitals campaign and health sector
- **FAO, WFP, UNDP/DDC**: drought risk reduction
- **OCHA**: preparedness
- **Climate Change**: UNFCCC and IPCC- adaptation
- **Indian Ocean Consortium**: Tsunami EWS.
Wednesday 10 October is the International Day for Disaster Reduction: Awareness and Education
ISDR World Disaster Reduction Campaign on “Hospitals Safe from Disasters”

2008-2009 World Disaster Reduction Campaign

Hospitals Safe from Disasters
 Reduce Risk, Protect Health Facilities, Save Lives

UNISDR Sasakawa Award for Disaster Prevention
Hospitals Safe from Disasters
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Enhancement of Emergency Response (PEER 3) from 2009 – 2014

Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre will undertake the 60 months project, Enhancement of Emergency Response (PEER 3) from 2009 - 2014. The key objectives of the project are to enhance disaster response capacity, reduce mortality, and increase the survival rate of disaster victims at all levels in nine (9) Asian countries, namely, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Vietnam; to establish system for enhancing community-level first responder capacity in disaster-prone communities in the six PEER program countries and to improve the capacity of hospitals and medical facilities to be prepared to manage emergencies and mass casualty events in non-PEER countries in Asia.

WHO-CDC Bibliography on Safe Health Facilities

WHO has partnered with the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (US CDC) in on the development of an extensive bibliography on Safe Health Facilities. The database of more than 500 citations from many sources and in multiple languages has been refined from over 6000 original citations. The citations have been grouped in the following categories:

- assessments
- case studies and lessons
- exercises and training
- facility design and construction
- general preparedness
- integration and coordination
- plans and planning
- recovery
- security
- supply management and essential services
- surge capacity
- tools and guidelines

CRID (Panama), US National Library of Medicine (NLM) and PAHO have provided guidance on the project. The bibliography complements CRID’s

World Health Day 2009
Save lives. Make hospitals safe in emergencies

World Health Day 2009 focuses on the safety of health facilities and the readiness of health workers who treat those affected by emergencies. Health centres and staff are critical life-lines for vulnerable people in disasters - treating injuries, preventing illnesses and caring for people’s health needs.

They are cornerstones for primary health care in communities - meeting everyday needs, such as safe childbirth services, immunizations and chronic disease care that must continue in emergencies. Often, already fragile health systems are unable to keep functioning through a disaster, with immediate and future public health consequences.

World Health Day 2009 website
UNISDR supported thematic and stakeholder networks

- NGO network (Mr. Marcus Oxley, Global Network of Civil Society Organisation, marcus.oxley@globalnetwork-dr.org)

- Climate change adaptation and DRR (Ms. Silvia Llosa, llosa@un.org – Mr. Julio Garcia, juliog@eird.org)

- Parliamentarians, High-Level advocacy – (Ms. Feng Min Kan, kanf@un.org)

- Media network (Ms. Brigitte Leoni, leonib@un.org)

- Gender network (Ms. Ana-Cristina Thorlund, tholund@un.org)

- Local Government (Mr. Michele Cocciglia, cocchiglia@un.org)

- National Platforms (UNISDR Regional Offices with Mr. Lars Bernd, bernd@un.org)

- Capacity Development on DRR in general/ CADRI (Ms. Geraldine Becchi, becchi@un.org)

- Safer Hospitals (Mr. Jonathan Abrahams, abrahamsj@who.int, Ms. Michiko Hama, hama1@un.org, Mr. Lars Bernd, bernd@un.org)

- Education (UNISDR FP: Ms. Christel Rose, rosec@un.org)
UNISDR secretariat support to National Platforms

• Promote and help establishing NPs and multi-stakeholder dialogue meetings (led by line-Ministry – implemented in support to/with UN RC)

• Organise global and regional thematic meetings and training with/ among National Platforms (e.g. workshop on mainstreaming DRR, meeting with climate change experts)

• Develop guidance documents, tools and contribution to ISDR partner work with NPs/ HFA FPs (incl. CCA/UNDAF guidelines, joint publications, etc.)

• Support sharing of NP experiences (« twinning » + good practices, « ISDR-Highlights » and other magazines)

• Jointly run awareness raising campaigns

• Undertake capacity assessments (with CADRI, UNDP)

• Support ministerial meetings in the regions

• Facilitate access to expertise

• HFA monitor (progress reporting and information sharing)
# National Platform Key Documents

Guidelines for implementing the Hyogo Framework, and establishing and strengthening National Platforms and national coordinating mechanisms.

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# National Platform Key Events

Workshops and events aimed at establishing and strengthening National Platforms and national coordinating mechanisms.

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<td>Disaster risk reduction is everyone’s business: Establishing and improving multi-stakeholder national coordinating mechanisms for DRR Organization: UNISDR</td>
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France National Platform

Description

History
In February 2001, after the important disasters in France and other European countries in the years 1999 and 2000 (flooding, storms, etc.), an Interministerial Committee for Major Natural Disasters Reduction (COPRMN) and the Orientation Council for Major Natural Disasters Reduction (COPRMN) were created, the second as the operational structure next to the first one.

In February 2003, the COPRMN was integrated into the Interministerial Committee for Sustainable Development (CIDD). The COPRMN is maintained.

Meanwhile, the former French IDNR committee became the French Association for Natural Disasters Reduction (AFPCN) whose president is member of the COPRMN.

The creation of ISDR made an opportunity for this council to be the ISDR correspondent with the support of AFPCN.

Structure
Established by Interministerial decree in February 2001 and re-established in August 2003 by Prime minister decree, the COPRMN is under the responsibility of the Minister of Ecology and Sustainable Development.

Members
1. President: a personality chosen by the Ministry of Ecology and Sustainable Development;
2. Representatives of the ministries belonging to the Interministerial Committee for Sustainable Development;
3. Twelve elected members (six members of parliament, six mayors or presidents of communities);
4. Ten qualified personalities chosen by the ministries, among them the president of AFPCN (a special agreement exists between AFPCN and Ministry of Ecology and Sustainable Development).

The secretariat of the council is headed by the Delegate for Major Risks, who is the focal point for ISDR. The council meets once or twice
Multi-stakeholder meeting for disaster risk reduction in the Kyrgyz Republic

**Type:** Meeting or Conference  
**Date:** 27 Jul 2009  
**Location:** Kyrgyzstan (Bishkek)

**Main organizer**  
- United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction Secretariat (UNISDR)

**Other organizer**  
- United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction Secretariat - Central Asia (UNISDR)

**Description**

In July 2009, UNISDR is organizing a series of meetings in the region of Central Asia, namely, a National Platform workshop in Astana, Kazakhstan, (July 24-25 2009) and multi-stakeholder meetings in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, (July 27 2009) and Dushanbe, Tajikistan, (July 30-31 2009).

Members of the national platform of Kazakhstan and the national mechanisms for coordination of DRR in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan will have two-day intensive exchange of information, group work and forward-looking discussions and action planning. The entire activity will be facilitated by UNISDR Secretariat offices in Geneva and Central Asia.

The overall goal of the workshops is enhancing effectiveness of coordination, planning and implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action disaster risk reduction. UN agencies, international organizations, local NGOs, mass media and research institutions will exchange opinions, share knowledge, methodologies, and experience in building capacity in disaster prevention and management.
Governance

Governmental approaches and methods referring to disaster risk reduction, national capacity building, policy design and legislation, and State-led, coordinated post-disaster recovery efforts.

A National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction is a nationally owned and nationally led forum or committee for advocacy, coordination, analysis and advice on disaster risk reduction.

Philippines: Community-driven development strategy frees town from floods
15 July 2009

Using a community-driven development approach, residents in the municipality of Balangiga, Philippines, have addressed the problem of floods by constructing a network of canals to channel floodwaters towards the sea...

Training & Events

- Euromed programme on prevention, preparedness and response to natural and man-made disasters – PPRD South
  Civil Protection Dep., Presidency of the Council of Min - 20-22 Jul 2009, Rome (Italy)
- Foro regional Mitch + 10 para la construcción de lineamientos para la política centroamericana para la gestión de integrada del riesgo
  CEPREDENACI SLCA - 21-23 Jul 2009, Guatemala City (Guatemala)
- Meeting of the national platform for disaster risk reduction of Kazakhstan
  UNISDR - 24-25 Jul 2009, Astana (Kazakhstan)