

United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction Secretariat, Geneva

Participation to the Delnet training courses gives access to:

• TRAINING

Delnet's courses aim to improve personal and institutional capabilities in terms of the design, implementation and evaluation of sustainable local development strategies. The courses in local development are entirely held online. Delnet also uses a face-to-face methodology and designs activities to meet institutional training and requirements.

INFORMATION

Delnet's information service, InfoDelnet, gives participants and their institution global, up-to-date information on concepts, experiences and initiatives that affects the local sphere. It uses the following tools:

- Specialized publications;
- An information desk;
- Databases and electronic platforms on Delnet's "virtual campus".

TECNICAL ADVICE

AssistecDelnet is a personalized technical advice service on local development issues and the use of Information and Communication Technology that Delnet offers to the participants and institutions.

NETWORKING

Delnet's networking goals include stimulating dialogue among local players, facilitating sharing and cooperation, and connecting people and institutions.

The tools it uses to encourage networking are:

- The electronic mailing list, "Delnetlist";
- The Virtual classroom.

The Delnet network is currently comprised of over 2,500 people and institutions from 75 countries on all five continents.

The Training Course in Disaster Risk Reduction and Sustainable Local Development is available in English and Spanish.







Training Course in Disaster Risk Reduction and Sustainable Local Development

In support of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction and in collaboration with the UN/ISDR Secretariat and the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation in UNDP

Presentation

The Delnet Training Course on Disaster Risk Reduction and Sustainable Local Development of the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (ITC/ILO) was conceived within the framework of the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR). The course is conceptualized in response to increasing concern about the magnitude of disasters and their impact on local communities worldwide.

Being part of the capacity-development component of the International Recovery Platform (IRP), the course is run in conjunction with the ILO Programme on Crisis Response and Reconstruction. Likewise, it looks at post-disaster reconstruction, and identifies recovery as one of the key opportunities for reducing disaster risk.

The course is implemented in cooperation with the UN/ISDR secretariat and the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation in UNDP.

Enrolment in this training course gives access to an integrated training offer,

including face-to-face training at the Campus of the ITC/ILO in Turin, Italy and a distance training process based on the use of Internet and of a virtual platform.

An integral focus on disasters risk

Disaster risk reduction is a permanent process involving planning, decision making and promotion of action before, during and after the occurrence of disasters or catastrophes. It cannot be considered an activity in response to isolated events in a single country.

It is an important component which integrates horizontally all the activities of a territory. It is part of an integral local development process and its strategic planning.

In order to reach the sustainable development of a territory, a disaster risk reduction strategy should include actions aimed at identifying, reducing or eliminating (as far as possible) those risks which have been accumulated in time as well as avoid the generation of new risks for future activities.

Objectives of the training course

- Foster the adoption and implementation at the local level of adequate policies and actions that are sensitive to disaster risk reduction by promoting sustainable local development and strengthening participatory strategic planning.
- Share and develop knowledge and practical tools that will make the management and reduction of risk an integral part of local development efforts.
- Strengthen the capacity of key players

to participate in reducing the potential impact of disasters on their territory.

- Promote experience-sharing, cooperation and the stocktaking of best practices.
- Promote the establishment of a global network of local disaster risk and development managers.
- Raise the awareness of local players of the role of recovery in reducing disaster risk and vulnerabilities, while creating the socio-economic conditions for durable development.





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Training Course in Disaster Risk Reduction within the Framework of Sustainable Local Development

In the framework of the activities implemented by the ITC/ILO in support of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction and in collaboration with the UN/ISDR Secretariat and ILO/CRISIS



COURSE CONTENTS:

• TRAINING UNIT 1 – Globalization, decentralization and local development processes facing the impact of disasters

It focuses on theoretical and historical knowledge on local development, globalization and decentralization processes in relation with the impact of disasters on the political, social, economic and environmental framework of present society.

• TRAINING UNIT 2 – Disaster risk: origin, evaluation, reduction and prevention

It investigates the origin of disasters and the elements generating risks. It also explains how the elements interact and foster risk, how and why we should manage risk.

• TRAINING UNIT 3 – Strategic planning: a useful tool for risk reduction and sustainable local development

It introduces the use of strategic planning as a practical instrument in reducing risks, sustaining local development and managing a territory. Furthermore it proposes instruments for the promotion and planning of an integrated local development process.

• PRACTICAL GUIDE – Design of local development projects focusing on disaster risk

A continuation of Training Unit 3, it presents a conceptual frame and methods for designing local development projects integrating disaster risk reduction, with the aim of building resilient, just and prosperous territories.

• TRAINING UNIT 4 – Preparedness to cope with disasters on the territory

It focuses on the importance of early warning and preparedness and their role in social security, protection of human lives, goods and livelihoods in the framework of sustainable local development.

TRAINING UNIT 5 – Transforming post-disaster reconstruction into an opportunity for establishing the conditions for sustainable development

It analyses the reconstruction processes with a focus on building the territory better than before a disaster strikes. It takes advantage of an opportunity to develop more sustainable and secure communities through a process which is closely linked to the pre, during and post disaster actions as well as to the political, social, economic and environmental factors.

TRAINING PACKAGE

REGION	MODALITY	DATES
• Inter-regional	Study timetable of the course comprises of 220 hours, spread across 9 months via distance learning (140 hours) and a residential modality (80 hours)	30 March – 14 December 2012
	• First distance phase:	from 30/03 to 15/06/2012
	Residential phase at the ITC/ILO, Turin, Italy	from 18 to 29/06/2012
	Second distance phase:	from 2/07 to 14/12/2012

REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE

TARGET GROUP:

Policy-makers and key players in local development management and disaster risk reduction. More specifically people, institutions, governmental and non governmental organizations of civil society and cooperation engaged in the theme of the course.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Priority is offered to those who are:

- Carrying out activities linked with the promotion of local development and disaster risk reduction;
- Committed, both at personal and institutional level, to continue working in local development and disaster risk reduction;
- Come from towns/villages of small/ medium size with a high disaster risk;
- Fluent in English;
- Have access to a computer with printer and Internet connection.

Those who successfully complete the whole Course in Disaster Risk Reduction will receive a **diploma** issued by the International Training Centre of the ILO.

ENROLMENT INCLUDES:

 Participation to the course and training materials for both distance and residential training;

- Access to the Delnet virtual platforms, which includes electronic mail, virtual library, information service, technical advice and networking;
- Enlistment in the electronic mailing list for the Delnet Network Delnetlist;
- Board and lodging at the International Training Centre of the ILO (ITC/ILO) in Turin, Italy, during the residential phase (single room, breakfast, lunch and dinner, medical insurance);
- Access to the ITC/ILO campus general services;
- 1 study visit in the Turin region.

For institutions with limited economic resources the granting of **partial scholarships** is foreseen.

PARTICIPATION FEE: 4.500 euros (only **distance training course** price 1.600 euros).

> ENROLMENT FORM Available at: <u>www.itcilo.org/delnet</u> <u>drr.delnet@itcilo.org</u>

> > Enrolment deadline: 2 March 2012 Course start date: 30 March 2012

Delnet is a programme run by the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (ITC/ILO), a specialized Agency of the United Nations. Delnet supports local development by combining training, information, technical advice and networking, drawing upon information and communication technology. It offers a distance training model and face-to-face courses on local development issues all over the world.

