EFDRR WG 2 Information sharing and exchange 2010-2012

- UNISDR
- European Commission
- Armenia
- Slovenia (2010)
- UK (2012)
- Sweden (chair)
2010

Information sharing and exchange survey - results

- Most common exchange - Participation at seminars/workshops and information sharing via websites
- A clear yes for more exchanges
- Face to face exchanges
- Seminars/conferences was seen as most needed form of exchanges, followed by projects and exchange of experts and twinning
- Prevention Web could create a space for EFDRR
- UNISDR offered to send out the latest info from European countries as a digital bulletin with information on conferences, projects, reports etc
More exchanges are needed for building national platforms. UNISDR offered to arrange workshops and invite European countries.

Twinning efforts were suggested to assist countries that have not yet built their platform.

Work according to specific themes. This generates exchanges between the EFDRR meetings. Can develop into networks.

Topics - capacity development, building a national platform, risk mapping and assessment.

There is a need for scientists and experts to also exchange not just the HFA fp and NP representatives.

Financial assistance is needed for exchanges.
WG 2 tasks for 2011

To improve information sharing and exchanges:

1. Describe how the EFDRR is addressing the needs for information sharing and exchanges
2. Describe the exchanges that have taken place and the results
3. Describe used financial instruments and opportunities to seek financial support
4. Status on UNISDR information sharing system with events, documents and publications
5. Complete an analysis and make recommendations for future information sharing
2011 EFDRR meeting

Example on information sharing in Armenia

- Build resilience on public information and awareness
- School children
- Creative solutions
Peer review – discussion document

The Potential Role of Peer Reviews to Enhance Disaster Risk Reduction in Europe

Tool in helping countries to share experience and best practices in an area of common interest where some countries (peers) examine the performance of another country ('reviewed country')

→ UK first out
Questionnaire on good examples of exchanges - Recommendations

- Exchanges should take place between actors from different sectors working with DRR including scientists, local experts
- Encourage twinning of National Platforms, HFA focal points and municipality to municipality
- Keep the exchanges reasonable (number of issues, field trips, time and costs)
- Continue to explore ways to encourage the use of EU financial instruments.
- Information exchange with other regions
UNISDR support in information sharing 2011

✓ Information Sharing on the PreventionWeb evaluated

✓ EFDRR Webpage featured with the rest of the Regional Platforms creating a consistency in the website presentation

✓ EFDRR Workspace (www.unisdr.org/europe)

✓ UNISDR Europe bulletin – monthly

✓ EFDRR Brochure launched at the Global Platform, May 2011
WG 2 2011 Recommendations for information sharing:

- Continue to provide information to PreventionWeb in order to be included in the EFDRR bulletin

- Start using the EFDRR-Listserv to exchange among European HFA and National Platform Members

- Upload any documents for discussion to the EFDRR work space
WG 2- Information sharing and exchange 2012

• Further work on exchanges
• Planned workshop in Armenia
• Peer review
• National platform review
On the agenda today

- Promoting exchanges and using EU exchange of experts programme - Janet Edwards, Sweden and Michiko Hama, Austria

- Peer review developments – Stefanie Dannermann – Di Palma, UNISDR and Yordanka Mincheva, EC

- Reflections on HFA Monitor Peer review UK – Taito Vainio, Finland

- Reflection from UK – Steven Barnes UK

- Plenary Discussion and way forward
Quick exercise

1. How many are familiar with Prevention web?
2. How many are viewing the e-bulletin when received?
3. How many are posting updates on the prevention web?
4. How many are posting DRR-related events through e-bulletin?