

UNISDR – Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) **Training workshop on Reducing and Managing Disaster Risk and** **implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action**

Riyadh, GCC HQ – 13-16 January 2013

Overall Objective:

To enhance capacities and knowledge of the national stakeholders in the GCC countries with respect to disaster risk reduction and the implementation of Hyogo Framework for Action.

Expected Results:

- Capacities of GCC countries are enhanced and reflected by improved monitoring and reporting on Hyogo Framework for Action so that at least 50% of GCC countries submit national HFA reports this year.
- Awareness of disaster risk reduction policies, measures and tools is improved and reflected in actionable workplans to be rolled out nationally and regionally.

DAY 1 – Sunday 13 January 2013	
09:00 – 09:30	Opening of the Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Remarks by the Secretary-General of GCC - Remarks by the UN Resident Coordinator in Saudi Arabia - Remarks by Director of the GCC Disaster Management Center - Remarks by UNISDR Head of Regional Office
09:30 – 09:50	Introduction of the GCC Disaster Management Center
09:50 – 10:30	What, Why and How on Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concepts and trends – the DRR Cycle - Global and regional perspectives and challenges
10:30 – 11:00	BREAK
11:00 – 12:30	Strengthening National Coordination Mechanisms for DRR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing capacities and strengthening national coordination for disaster risk reduction – Mr Luca Rossi, Director Engineer, Italian Civil Protection, Italian Government.
12:30 – 13:30	LUNCH

13:30 – 16:00	Experiences from GCC countries existing disaster risk reduction capacities and coordination mechanisms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lessons Learned and Experience of Bahrain (45 min) - Lessons Learned and experience of UAE (45 min) - Discussion
DAY 2 – Monday 14 January 2013	
09:00 – 10:30	Methodology, Implementation and Monitoring of Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) (UNISDR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to HFA - Reporting and monitoring progress - Indicators for measuring progress
10:30 – 11:00	BREAK
11:00 – 12:30	<i>continued.....</i> Implementation and Monitoring of Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) (UNISDR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “HFA Monitor” online tool – live demonstration of report template - Regional Monitoring and Reporting on HFA Progress
12:30 – 13:30	LUNCH
13:30 – 14:30	Bahrain national report on risk reduction (By Bahrain HFA FP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction on Bahrain’s HFA reporting efforts, challenges and opportunities. - Opportunities and Challenges for GCC (open discussion)
14:30 – 16:00	Increasing risk from Climate Change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Findings from IPCC Special Report on Extreme Events (Dr Wadid Erian) - Impact of a changing climate on lives and livelihoods: Drought, Sand Storms and Flash Floods (Dr. Wadid Erian, ACSAD)

DAY 3 – Tuesday 15 January 2013

09:00 – 10:30	Risk Assessment (Dr. Roberto Rudari, CIMA Research Foundation – International Center on Environmental Monitoring) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concepts of risk assessment, risk identification and risk evaluation - Reviews of methodologies in the EU, USA - Weather-related risk assessment
10:30 – 11:00	BREAK
11:00 – 12:30	Establishing national disaster inventories “Disaster Loss Database” (UNISDR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Why, what and how? Introduction to the tool used to develop disaster loss databases nationally as first step for risk assessment.
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	Building capacities for disaster risk reduction and emergency response (Francesco Pisano, UN Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and its Operational Satellite Applications Programme (UNOSAT)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applying Satellite Imagery and GIS Solutions in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Response
15:00 – 16:00	Discussion on challenges and priorities for GCC countries to advance disaster risk reduction and drafting of workshop recommendations

DAY 4 – Wednesday 16 January 2013

09:00 – 09:30	Reducing risk at local level – Making Cities Resilient <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to the Making Cities Resilient Campaign (UNISDR)
09:30 – 10:30	Implementing Disaster Risk Reduction at local level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sharing good practice of the Campaign Role Model City, Aqaba, Jordan (Khalid Abo Aisheh, Head of Disaster Risk Reduction Unit, Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority, Jordan)
10:30 – 11:00	BREAK

11:00 – 11:30	Engagement of GCC countries in global action on disaster risk reduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Introduction to the development of a global framework of DRR “Post-2015”- Global Platform for DRR 2013
11:30 – 12:00	Conclusions on the Way forward