

Developing Capacities on Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in the Asia-Pacific Region

Seogwipo City, Jeju Island, Republic of Korea, 28 April - 1 May 2014 (Mon-Thu)

“Disaster risk is increasing with every passing day. Poverty, rapid urbanisation, climate change – these and other factors are leaving people and communities ever more exposed.”¹

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon

Event Background and Introduction

Over the past 20 years disasters have affected 4.4 billion people, caused USD 2 trillion of damage and killed 1.3 million people. Natural disasters mostly affected people living in developing countries and the most vulnerable communities within those countries. Over 95 percent of people killed by natural disasters are from developing countries.²

The Asia-Pacific Region is the world’s most vulnerable region when it comes to natural disasters. According to the World Disaster Report released by International Federation of the Red Crescent, as many as 85 percent of the people reported affected by disasters belonged to the Asia-Pacific Region in the period 2000-2009.

Urban risk is continually increasing. It has been estimated that, more than 50 per cent of the world's population is living in urban areas. Urbanization is taking place at an unprecedented rate. In the next 20 years, the world’s population is predicted to increase by an additional two billion. By 2030 more than 60% of the world’s population is expected to live in cities, with record concentrations in large urban conglomerations and megacities in the developing world. Vulnerability of cities to disasters is on the rise especially as poor people settle in high-risk urban areas. Unfortunately, planning and development of cities has given little consideration to the consequences of hazards such as earthquakes, hydro-meteorological risks and others. The implication of this reality is the need for countries to focus their collective energies to create a safer world for urban dwellers and develop a series of innovative approaches to meet this challenge.

In this regard, building resilience and adapting to climate change is crucial for cities especially those in the Asia-Pacific region. Efforts to build resilience in cities can benefit from integrating disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation with existing efforts in disaster risk reduction.

This capacity building training workshop, while promoting the importance of effective climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction, will provide:

- i) an opportunity for countries and cities in the Asia-Pacific region to enhance capacities in climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction with a focus on countries/cities Resilience Action Plans development and implementation.
- ii) a platform to exchange in-depth learning from experts in the related area and to share good practices among participants
- iii) a venue for city-to-city cooperation in building resilience in cities by integrating disaster risk principles into local DRR and CCA plans, programmes and initiatives

¹ Remarks at launch of Global Assessment Report on Disaster Risk Reduction (GAR), 15 May 2013

² Extreme Weather and Natural Disasters, 2012

Event Type

Workshop

Date

28 April - 1 May 2014

Venue

CIFAL Jeju/Jeju International Training Center (JITC)
Seogwipo City, Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, Republic of Korea

Organizers

- CIFAL Jeju and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) (www.cifaljeju.org) and
- UNISDR Office for Northeast Asia and Global Education and Training Institute (UNISDR ONEA/GETI) (<http://www.unisdr.org/incheon>)

Targeted Audience

High-level authorities and experts from central and local/city governments, representatives from NGO and community-based organizations, academic and training institutions, and other local actors within the Asia-Pacific region

Content:

The workshop contents are composed of the following:

- Introducing the Concepts and Current Tendencies in Urban Risk and Risk Reduction
- Republic of Korea's National Climate Change Adaptation & Mitigation Master Plan
- Introducing Making Cities Resilient (MCR) Global Campaign and MCR Campaign Tools
- Applying the MCR Tools, Diagnosis and Assessment
- Mainstreaming DRR and CCA into Development and Building Resilient Cities
- Developing and Implementing of Safe and Resilient City Action Plan
- City Action Plan Monitoring, Evaluating and Follow up
- Sharing Experiences, Model Programs for City-to-City Learning & Capacity Development
- Effective Partnership Building and Facilitation Skills

Learning Objectives

Participants will

- understand the concept of climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction
- build capacities with a focus on effective planning and implementation of MCR Campaign 10 Essentials to make their cities resilient to disasters
- adapt and use MCR Global Campaign existing tools to support capacity development needs of local governments, and define the need for additional content related to these
- share good practices and find ways to cooperate with other participating cities

Application and Participant Information

Requirements

Participants are required to attend and actively participate in all workshops, complete assignments and interact with resource persons, and complete pre-workshop readings/assignments and come with prepared questions.

Fluency in English, spoken and written.

Course Certificates

CIFAL Jeju and UNITAR will jointly issue a certificate to participants upon completion of the full program.

How to apply

- Application form can be downloaded from www.cifaljeju.org.
- Please send the Application Form, CV, Country Information, Letter of Nomination and Letter of Commitment, Case Study Summary (form attached to 'Application Form') by **9 March 2014** to: cifaljeju.env@gmail.com

Note

- Participation is subject to approval of the application by CIFAL Jeju.
- Notification will be sent once the selection process has been finalised.

Website

www.cifaljeju.org

ASSISTANCE WITH TRAVEL COST

- **CIFAL Jeju only provides a limited financial assistance for participants.**
- The following table represents the maximum amount of financial assistance for round-trip international air travel to Jeju Island to participate in workshops of CIFAL Jeju.
- All local expenses (transportation, accommodation, and meals during the 4-day workshop) will be covered by CIFAL Jeju.
- Every participant is responsible for their local transportation in their country and arranging their visa including the visa fee.

Travelling from:	CIFAL Jeju's air fare assistance limit
Eastern Asia ³	US \$300 (participants travelling from Mongolia will receive US \$400)
South-Eastern Asia ⁴	US \$500 (participants travelling from Cambodia, Lao PDR and Myanmar will receive US \$600)
Southern Asia ⁵	US \$600 (participants travelling from Nepal will receive US \$700)
Pacific Islands ⁶	US \$1,000
* Other points of departure – please consult the CIFAL Jeju office.	

³ China

⁴ Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam

⁵ Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Pakistan, Sri Lanka

⁶ Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Samoa, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

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Tentative Agenda

Day 01 – Monday, 28 April 2014		
09:00 – 09:20	Registration	
09:20 – 10:00	Opening of the Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Welcoming Remarks</i> • <i>Presentation on CIFAL Jeju, UNITAR, and UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	Introduction to UNITAR & CIFAL Jeju, and UNISDR ONEA/GETI
10:00 – 11:00	[Session I] Introducing the Concepts and Current Tendencies in Urban Risk and Reduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	Introduction to UN-HABITAT City Prosperity Index
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee Break	
11:20 – 12:20	[Session II] Republic of Korea's National Climate Change Adaptation & Mitigation Master Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>TBC</i> 	Introduction to Republic of Korea's National Master Plan on adapting to climate change and preventing and managing disaster (risk)
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 14:30	Visit to 'Joo-Sang-Jeol-Li' (Columnar Jointing)	Walk by seaside
14:30 – 16:00	[Session III] Introducing Making Cities Resilient (MCR) Global Campaign and MCR Tools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	Adapting and using MCR Global Campaign existing tools to support capacity development needs of national/local governments
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break	
16:30 – 18:00	[Session IV] Applying the MCR Tools, Diagnosis, Assessment, and Group Work Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	How MCR Global Campaign Tools, Materials and Checklist of 10 Essentials may be used to build national/local resilience to disasters
18:30 – 20:00	Welcome Dinner	ICC Ocean View
20:00 –	Transfer to Hotel	

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Day 02 – Tuesday, 29 April 2014		
09:00 – 09:10	Report of Day 01	
09:10 – 10:00	[Session V] Mainstreaming DRR and CCA into Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	Introduce the principles in undertaking climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction process into development and building resilient cities/countries
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break	
10:30 – 12:30	[Session VI] Mainstreaming DRR and CCA into Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> • <i>Group Exercise</i> 	Participants are divided into groups and discuss how to mainstream DRR into their local plan. Presentation will be delivered by each working group.
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:00	Cheonjeyeon Waterfalls	
15:00 – 16:00	[Session VII] Developing and Implementing of Resilient City Action Plan (1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	Introduce the principles of developing resilient city action plan how to implement it
16:00 – 18:00	[Session VIII] Developing and Implementing of Resilient City Action Plan (2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> • <i>Group Exercise</i> 	Participants are divided into groups and discuss how they will organise the process and steps you will undertake to develop and implement their resilient city action plan
18:00 –	Transfer to Hotel	

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Day 03 – Wednesday, 30 April 2014		
08:00 – 09:30	Transfer to Gujwa	
09:30 – 10:30	Study Visit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Smart Grid Information Centre</i> 	Visiting the Smart-grid Test-Bed
10:30 – 12:00	Site Visit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Seongsan Ilchulbong (Sun-rise Peak)</i> 	Visiting tourist attractions of Jeju
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch	
13:00 – 14:30	Transfer to JITC	
14:30 – 14:40	Report of Day 02	
14:40 – 16:00	[Session IX] City Action Plan Monitoring, Evaluation and Follow Up (1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	Introduce how to develop a monitoring, evaluation and follow up strategy to implement the city action plan
16:00 – 18:00	[Session X] City Action Plan Monitoring, Evaluation and Follow Up (2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> • <i>Group Exercise</i> 	Participants are divided into groups and discuss how they will monitor, evaluate and follow up their action plan
18:00 –	Transfer to Hotel	

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Day 04 – Thursday, 1 May 2014		
09:00 – 09:10	Report of Day 03	
09:10 – 10:00	[Session XI] Sharing Experiences, Model Programmes for City-to-City Learning & Capacity Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> 	Presenters and Participants share specific experiences, model programmes for city-to-city learning and capacity development
10:00 – 11:00	[Session XII] Effective Partnership Building and Facilitation Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UNISDR ONEA/GETI</i> • <i>Group Exercise</i> 	Introduction to some of the local and regional cooperation programmes in the region and learn how to build effective partnership and facilitation skills
11:00 – 11:30	Evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>CIFAL Jeju</i> 	Post Evaluation: Participants complete evaluations
11:30 – 12:00	Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Awarding Certificates of participation</i> • <i>Closing Remarks</i> • <i>Official Photos</i> 	Wrap-up and closing of the workshop
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch	
13:00 –	Transfer to Hotel	

► The above program may be subject to change.