

Proposing Policy for the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
Roundtable on Gender and Diversity
14 June 2014

Purpose:

The purpose of this roundtable is to gather experts together to organize information and experiences, in order to ensure that gender and diversity are integrated into the discussions leading up to the 3rd World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction to be held in Sendai in March 2015, where the post-Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA2) is to be adopted. We will bring the results of this roundtable to the 6th Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (6th AMCDRR), on 22-26 June 2014 in Bangkok.

Organized by: Japan Women's Network for Disaster Risk Reduction (JWNDRR)

Co-organized by: Sendai Gender Equal Opportunity Foundation; College of Social Sciences, University of Hawai'i at Manoa

Supported by: Cabinet Office, Government of Japan (Gender Equality Bureau); Reconstruction Agency; Ministry of Foreign Affairs; National Women's Education Center of Japan; JICA

Date: 14 June 2014 (Sat) 13:00-17:00

Venue: Sendai City Gender Equality Promotion Center's "L-Park Sendai", Gallery Hall.

Participants: Open to public. We encourage employees of local government offices responsible for disaster prevention, reconstruction, and gender equality promotion to attend, as well as NGOs and others interested in gender, diversity and/or DRR.

Participation fee: 1,000 yen

Program (tentative):

12:30 Doors open

13:00-13:15 Opening remarks by organizers, Mayor of Sendai (being negotiated)

13:15-14:05 Keynote Speech: Dr. Cheryl Anderson (Director of the Hazards, Climate, & Environment Program, University of Hawai'i Social Science Research Institute)

14:10-15:15 Roundtable discussion:

Coordinator: Akiko Domoto (President, Japan Women's Network on Disaster Risk Reduction)

Update from affected areas and related policy proposals:

- Sumie Ishii (Executive Director, Japan Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning ☆ (JOICFP))
- Yaeko Kisu (Executive Director, Sendai Gender Equal Opportunity Foundation)
- Jackie Steele (Associate Professor, Institute of Social Science, University of Tokyo)
- Yaeko Tabata (President, Morioka Women's Center)
- Etsuko Chiba (President, Fukushima Gender Equality Center; Vice President, Fukushima University)

15:15-15:30 Break

15:30-16:40 Discussion on the drafting of policy proposals by all roundtable participants
(Comments from the floor will also be welcome.)

16:40-16:50 Presentation of Proposal Statement

16:50-17:00 Closing remarks