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# Resilient Cities *e-xchange*

*Increasing local resilience together*



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# Motivation

- Cities face numerous challenges in meeting demands for housing, food, water, transportation, health, etc.
- Risks increase because of
  - Rapid, unplanned, urbanisation, often in Delta's
  - and climate change



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# Background

- Making Cities Resilient Campaign: extensive global network of 2400 cities + many experts
- Focus shifts from awareness to implementation: building resilience
- Many NGOs and businesses are ready to help local governments
- But possibilities are not always seized
- 1:1 help is not manageable for 2400+ cities



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# Gap analysis

Cities indicate that they have a lack of:

- Adequate local data
- Awareness of solutions (tools and partners)
- Technical capacity
- Budget
- Sense of urgency

# Concept

- The Resilient Cities *e-xchange* is a web based platform where cities, NGOs and businesses can exchange their knowledge and services that increases local resilience of people, public services and businesses.
- Occasionally there will be an offline, physical platform

# How will it work

- Step 1 Cities submit their assessment report
- Step 2 RCE partners -businesses, NGOs and donors- list their services
- Step 3 RCE matches supply and demand
  - Between cities and RCE partners
  - Between cities (city-to-city learning)
- Step 4 Cities choose services, products and/or good practices that they need and want



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# Project

- Lead by UNISDR, supported by
  - Japan Innovation network/Japan Bosai Platform
  - Government of The Netherlands
  - City of San Francisco
- Beta release september 2015
- Launch of the physical platform may 2016, during Adaptation Futures 2016, Rotterdam