CALL FOR PROPOSALS: PUBLIC FORUM
THEMATIC SIDE EVENTS AND PRECONFERENCE EVENTS

Interested governments, Inter-Governmental Organisations, United Nations, media and stakeholders are invited to express their interest in organising thematic side events and pre-conference events during the 6th Session of Africa Regional Platform on Disaster Risk Reduction.

A. THEMES

1. Risk assessments
2. Risk financing and insurance
3. Risk-sensitive development
4. Preparedness and early warning
5. Gender-sensitive DRR
6. DRR-Health integration
7. DRR-Education integration
8. Risk-sensitive urbanisation and infrastructure
9. Application of Science and Technology for Disaster Risk Reduction
10. Ecosystems-based disaster risk reduction

B. INFORMATION: PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS

1. Pre-conference events will be held on Monday, 21 November 2016 at the InterContinental Resort.
2. Proposed duration of the pre-conference events is 2-3 hours.
3. The pre-conference events can be in the form of a training workshop, thematic events, or stakeholder meetings.
4. All logistic arrangements, including conference room, travel and catering for participants will be met by the applicant. However, the conference organisers will facilitate necessary support as required.

1 The listed themes are indicative in nature. If the applicant wants to organise an event which does not fall in one of these categories, please contact the organisers at ISDR.AfRP@unisdr.un.org.
C. INFORMATION: SIDE EVENTS

1. Side events will be organised on 23 and 24 November 2016 at InterContinental Resort.
2. A total of twelve side event slots are available. Three side events will run parallel to each of the three working sessions and one special event.\(^2\)
3. Each side event will have a duration of 60 minutes.
4. The side events will follow one of the themes as indicated in Section A. Additional themes can be proposed to the conference organisers if deemed necessary.
5. The conference organisers will provide the venue for the side events, and catering facilities as done for all participants. However, the side event proposer will be responsible for travel arrangements and accommodation of participants.

D. APPLICATION

1. Organisations interested in the pre-conference or side event are requested to fill the attached form and submit via email to ISDR.AfRP@unisdr.unon.org with the subject ‘PRE-CONFERENCE EVENT APPLICATION’ or ‘SIDE EVENT APPLICATION’ as the case may be.
2. Please submit one application form per event.
3. Deadline for receipt of applications is 15 September 2016.
4. After screening the applications, the conference secretariat will confirm the awarding of the thematic events to applicants.

E. DOCUMENTATION

1. Besides the application format, interested organisations are also welcome to submit thematic policy briefs and background papers on identified topics.
2. Each event organiser is required to submit a summary report (1-pager) from their respective event. The format of the summary report will be shared in due course.
3. These summary reports will be considered by the AfRP Drafting Committee and reflected in the outcome documents.

\(^2\) No parallel events will be held during plenary sessions