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ASSOCIATED EVENTS 21-23 May

Climate and Disaster Resilience in Small Island Developing States: Practical Solutions. H. Gitay. May 21, 14:00 – 18:00. May 22, 09:00 – 18:00. May 23, 09:00 – 14:00. Sunrise 13. The objectives of the meeting are: a) to exchange experiences and best practices developed by small island states on climate and disaster resilience; b) to facilitate peer-to-peer learning to support effective design and implementation of climate and disaster resilient investments and policy interventions; and c) to further strengthen the community of practice between small island states' practitioners.

Foundational Meeting of the Global Preparedness Partnership. L. Tuck; J. Leitmann. May 22. 15:30-17:00. Expo 4. The V20 group of 46 climate-vulnerable countries will host a meeting with its partners (UN agencies and World Bank/GFDRR) to operationalize a global program that helps bring risk-prone countries to a minimum level of preparedness.

Sendai Framework Priority 1: Understanding Disaster Risk. A. Simpson. May 23, 10:00 - 13:00. Sunrise 9. The session will have two parts: the first part will highlight the critical governance and technical elements to ensuring data can be translated into usable information for decision making through case studies. The second part will showcase international and local expertise, tools and platforms available to governments embarking on the development and use of risk information.

Community Practitioners Platform Caucus M. Arnold. May 23, 11:00 - 13:30. Expo 2. The caucus will serve as a forum for grassroots community representatives to share their experience and priorities for the Global Platform, and express the support they need to be successful.

Building Resilience in Cities across the World; a Showcase of Efforts in African and Latin American Cities. L. Tuck. H. Terraza May 23, 12:45 - 14:00. Arena E. This session will explore efforts to enhance resilience and manage urban growth at the national level in Ethiopia, Guatemala and Brazil, at the metropolitan level in the Greater Accra Metro Area in Ghana , and in the island nation of Dominica. These cases represent vastly different contexts in terms of population and stage of development. The discussion will feature city leaders who will explain their strategy to strengthen the performance of their urban systems and how they are preparing to face predicted and unpredicted shocks. The sharing of best practices across this range of experiences will allow city leaders and overall participants to draw practical lessons.

Investing in and Sustaining Early Warning Systems. L. Tuck; V. Tsirkunov May 23, 15:00-16:30 (by invitation only). The session will explore effective assistance models and principles, with a focus on modernizing existing systems driven by National Meteorological and Hydrological Services and National Disaster Management Authorities. Building on the understanding that early warning requires a service delivery mindset, discussion will focus on investment approaches that concurrently and holistically support institutional strengthening, modernization of observation and communication infrastructure and methods, and enhancement of last mile connectivity, stakeholder engagement and user capacity.

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Over the past decade, the World Bank has emerged as a global leader in disaster risk management (DRM), supporting client countries to assess exposure to hazards and address disaster risks. It provides technical and financial support for risk assessments, risk reduction, preparedness, financial protection, and resilient recovery and reconstruction. The WBG's DRM portfolio has increased by nearly 50% in the past five years, from $3.7 billion in FY12 to $5.5 billion in FY16.

In providing support for DRM, the WBG promotes a comprehensive, multi-sectoral approach to managing disaster risk.

Thematic initiatives targeting areas such as small island states, disaster risk financing, school safety, and hydrometeorology are central to delivering the work of the DRM operational group with high technical quality.



The WBG has 96 DRM projects in 43 countries

SPEAKERS



Laura Tuck
World Bank Vice President
-Foundational Meeting of the Global Preparedness Partnership.
-Local Governments Summit.
-Investing in Multi-Hazard Impact-Based Early Warning Systems.
- International Cooperation in Support of the Sendai Framework Implementation.



Margaret Arnold
Senior Social Development Specialist
- Community Practitioners Platform Caucus.
- From Sendai to the SDGs: Institutionalizing Grassroots Women's Leadership for Greater Resilience.



Francis Ghesquiere
Manager
- A Fundamental Shift in DRR: Integrating Ecosystem-based Solutions with Climate and Development Dimensions.



Habiba Gitay
Senior Environmental Specialist
- Climate and Disaster Resilience in Small Island Developing States: Practical Solutions.



Joe Leitmann
Lead Disaster Risk Management
- Foundational meeting of the Global Preparedness Partnership.
- Partnering for Risk-informed Development.
- Enhancing Urban Resilience: Reaching the Most Vulnerable and Promoting Sustainable Development in Cities.



Timothy Bouley
Environmental Specialist
- "Climate Smart Health" - Health and Disaster Risk Reduction.



Alanna Simpson
Senior Disaster Risk Management Specialist
- Sendai Framework Priority 1: Understanding Disaster Risk.



Toshi Sonoda
Senior Disaster Risk
- Water and Disasters – Sustainable, Resilient and Innovative Water Cycle Management.



Horacio Terraza
Urban Lead Specialist
- Building Resilience in Cities across the World; a Showcase of Efforts in African and Latin American Cities.



Vladimir Tsirkunov
Lead Specialist
- Investing in and Sustaining Early Warning Systems.

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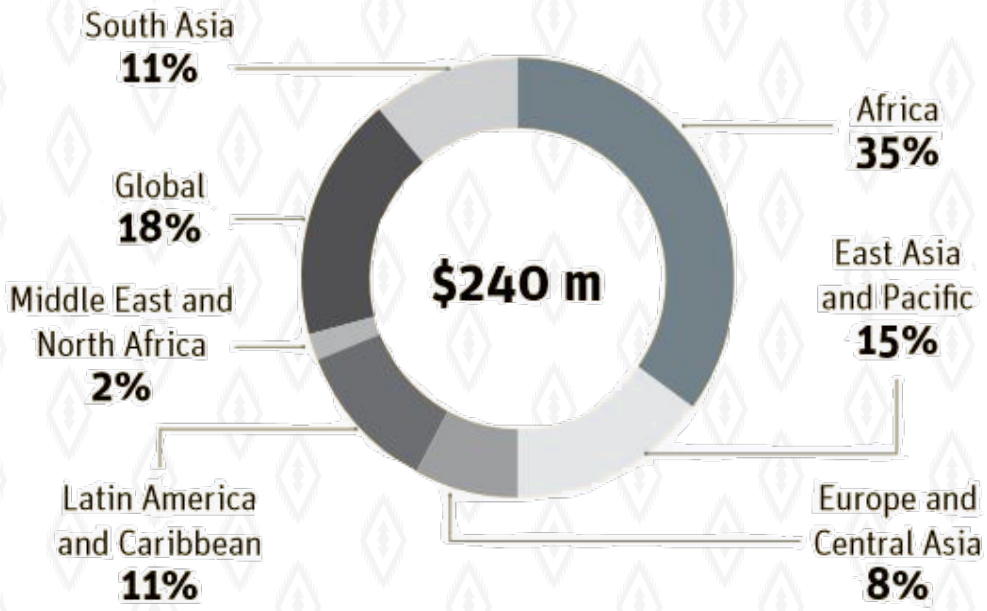
The Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR) is a global partnership that helps developing countries better understand and reduce their vulnerability to natural hazards and climate change.

GFDRR is a grant-funding mechanism, managed by the World Bank, that supports disaster risk management projects worldwide.

GFDRR contributes to the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction by helping countries to integrate disaster risk management and climate change adaptation into development strategies and investment programs and recover from disasters quickly and effectively.

Distribution of total active commitments by Region, FY16



MAIN EVENTS 24-26 May

Working Session - International Cooperation in Support of the Sendai Framework Implementation. Laura Tuck. May 24, 11:45 - 13:15. Arena E. The Working Session highlights the significance of coherent implementation, technology transfer and investments in achieving adequate international cooperation. In particular the session will discuss good practices and success stories in achieving international cooperation, identify barriers in executing North-South, South-South and triangular partnerships and explore solutions to sustain international cooperation.

Leaders' Forum Reducing Economic Losses from Disasters.
Laura Tuck - Lead Discussant. May 24, 16:15 - 18:45 (by invitation only). Co-Chaired by the President of Mexico and the UN Secretary-General, the Leaders Forum will focus on 'Investing in resilience to protect investments and reduce economic loss' with a focus on critical infrastructure and housing".

"Climate Smart Health" - Health and Disaster Risk Reduction. Timothy Bouley. May 26, 11:15 - 12:45. Arena A. The working session will provide a platform to sensitize and mobilize Member States and key actors in health, disaster risk reduction and development to identify ways and commit to working together to realize these objectives at national and local levels and contribute to the achievement of the Sendai Framework targets, particularly Target (e) on developing comprehensive disaster risk reduction strategies and plans.

SIDE EVENTS 24-26 May

Water and Disasters – Sustainable, Resilient and Innovative Water Cycle Management. T. Sonoda. May 24, 13:30 - 14:25. Sunrise 12.The event will share cases in Water and Disaster Management, and discuss key trends and approaches in such areas as institutional framework, Integrated Water Resources Management through Hydrological Cycle, nature-based infrastructure, innovative risk assessment and early warning, as well as community engagement for preparedness and emergency response.

A Fundamental Shift in DRR: Integrating Ecosystem-based Solutions with Climate and Development Dimensions.
F. Ghesquiere May 24, 13:30 - 14:25. Sunrise 10. Disaster risks can be reduced if ecosystem-based solutions are integrated into DRR, climate change adaptation and sustainable development planning. A full understanding of root causes to risk across the landscape and how we manage land and water resources is central to sustainability and resilience. Ecosystems globally are under pressure. We need initiatives that can transform whole landscapes into safer and more prosperous environments. The Sendai Framework recognizes this fundamental shift, but what does it take to speed up implementation on the ground? We will share promising examples and identify different components of a forward-looking plan.

From Sendai to the SDGs: Institutionalizing Grassroots Women's Leadership for Greater Resilience.
M. Arnold. May 24, 17:50- 18:45. Expo 1. This side event will focus on how grassroots women leaders have been working together with local, national and regional authorities and external agencies to foster collaborative and inclusive planning and decision making processes that measurably reduce risk and vulnerability to natural hazards and climate change.

Enhancing Urban Resilience: Reaching the Most Vulnerable and Promoting Sustainable Development in Cities.
J. Leitmann. May 25, 14:00 - 14:55. Expo 1. This event will showcase urban risk management and resilience-building efforts from a variety of perspectives including local government, humanitarian agencies and development partners. Each of these constituencies will provide examples of how they are responding to the opportunities and challenges of managing risks in an increasingly urbanized world.

Partnering for Risk-informed Development.
J. Leitmann. May 26, 16:00 - 16:45. Expo 3. The session will offer a facilitated discussion among partners and member states on existing and new DRR partnerships and financing approaches, explore the opportunities and challenges,and how they need to further evolve to achieve the Sendai targets at the country level.

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