



Towards a Global Partnership for Gender Mainstreaming in Disaster Risk Reduction

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Context

- Disasters affect men and women differently due to gender-specific vulnerabilities and risks to the impact of disasters
- Gender perspective is largely excluded from Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) policies and programmes



Goal

**Mainstreaming
gender equality**



**into social, cultural and
economic development**

with an emphasis on DRR

Objectives

- To Provide a Platform** → ...for gender activists and different groups of stakeholders to share information, knowledge and experience in gender mainstreaming in DRR
- To increase women's voice** → ...for more visibility of their role and contribution in the DRR process at all levels
- To facilitate dialogues** → ...between gender expert group and other stakeholders, including national platforms, NGOs, the Media, private sectors and donors
- To encourage active roles** → ...by national authorities and NGOs in developing gender-sensitive and gender balanced DRR policies and programmes
- To develop policy guidelines** → ...on Gender and DRR, user-friendly checklists and training materials for mainstreaming gender into DRR and vice versa

Strategy

- I. Taking stock of existing dynamics and challenges in gender and DRR - as a starting point.**
- II. Building ownership and leadership of a small group of committed experts in building the proposed partnership**
- III. Gaining greater support from and building wider partnership with different groups of stakeholders**
- IV. Establishing an “Advisory Group of Experts” as an initial “driving force”**
- V. Organizing a side event on gender mainstreaming in DRR to engage more support for the proposed partnership for gender mainstreaming in DRR**
- VI. Mobilizing resources necessary for supporting the proposed partnership for gender mainstreaming in DRR**

Structure

- I. An Advisory Group of Experts**
- II. Regional coordinators**
- III.**

Mechanisms

UN/ISDR secretariat will:

- I. Hire an expert to support the development of the global partnership and facilitate information exchange
- II. Facilitate direct dialogue between the Advisory Group and other stakeholders within the ISDR system
- III. Facilitate the development of an umbrella programme on “mainstreaming Gender into DRR”

Advisory Group:

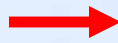
- I. Provide leadership in developing the global partnership
- II. Advocate the urgent needs for gender mainstreaming in DRR at the Global Platform and other international Conferences
- III. Guide and support development of user-friendly tools for facilitate the gender mainstreaming initiatives

Criteria

- I. Demonstrating at least a general understanding of DRR, ISDR and HFA**
- II. Demonstrating commitment to promote gender concerns and needs into DRR**
- III. Advocating DRR and promoting gender-sensitive policies and programmes related to DRR**
- IV. Providing good practices and lessons learnt**
- V. Demonstrating commitment to establishing and developing the proposed “*Global Partnership for Mainstreaming Gender Concerns*” and needs into DRR**

Expectations

**Global Partnership
for Gender
Mainstreaming
into DRR**



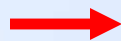
- **Consensus on the needs to build it**
- **Comments and inputs provided for the finalization of the draft concept note**

Expert group



Roles and responsibilities in leading the process of the global partnership

Way forward



Concrete steps

Areas of focus:

1. Gendering implementation
 1. Gender sensitive action point for each HFA priority (**March 2007**)
 2. Good practices – video, stories, pictorial presentations (Beyond June), posters, banners (**MARCH**)
 3. GDRR 5-7 June: Round table (Plenary session),
 4. Guidelines for gender mainstreaming focus on DRR (**Post June**)
 5. Overview of publications (Good practices)
 6. Reflection of people at risk of the HFA priority areas
 7. Develop key messages for media (**March 07**)
 8. In each session – presentation on gender issue/ implication (**Before June**)
 9. Provide fact sheet on gender – one page(**June**)
 10. Develop set of key questions (**Feb.**)
 11. Inventory/ mapping on WHO IS DOING WHAT (**Phase II**)
 12. Film on how men and women, boys/ girls work together for DRR (**Phase II**)
 13. Gender disaster sourcebook to be published and translated in different languages (**Phase II**)
 14. Training models on gender and DRR (**Phase II**)
 15. Partnerships for gender and DRR (**On going**) Criteria for partnership finalize by Feb 07
 16. GDN websites (**June**)
 17. Demonstration projects (**Phase II**)
 18. ISDR publications are gender sensitive (**on going**)
 19. Facilitating dialogue on gender and DRR between community organisations, private sector and government officials (**on going**)
 20. Regional workshops/ consultations on gender and DRR (**Phase II**)
 21. Add gender specific terminologies in the existing ISDR terminology (**May**)
 22. TOT at the regional level (pool of trained resources) (**on going**)
 23. Support the grassroot level capacity building activities (**on going**)

BY JUNE

- 1) Gender sensitive action point for each HFA priority **(March 2007)- Group**
- 2) Posters, banners, broucher **(March) Identify appropriate groups (Ana) (deadline 30 April 07)**
- 3) GDRR 5-7 June: Round table (Plenary session), **(Feng Min Kan)**
- 4) Develop key messages for media **(March 07) Group (13/2)**
- 5) In each thematic session – presentation on gender issue/ implication **(Before June)** (Climate change and gender - Dhar, mega cities ad gender –Rwena, social-political – Maureen/Suranjana, Risk Assessment & EW – Rowena and Suranjana/Maureen, national mechanism – FMK/MA/MT)
- 6) Provide implementation fact sheets on gender – one page **(Mid April) Elaine**
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