

Consultation: Global Capacity Development Strategy for Implementation of the Sendai Framework

Background

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction has set ambitious targets for 2020 and 2030. Member States need significant levels of support to achieve and report on these targets.

A critical means to achieve the Sendai Framework targets is to ensure all investments, both in the public and the private sector, are risk informed. Achieving this will require a paradigm shift in the approach to capacity development. Current approaches will require rationalization to bring coherence in the capacity development work done by a variety of actors.

Business as usual does not address the challenge; there is no dearth of capacity development programmes but there is much scope for improvement in the delivery modalities based on a theory of change. Human behaviour needs to change to ensure risk informed sustainable development. Partners must work together to ensure capacity development programmes lead to sustainable capacities in the Member States.

An initial one-and-a-half hour consultation towards the development of a global capacity development strategy for the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction was organized and facilitated by the UNISDR as a consultative event during the 2017 Global Platform, on 23 May 2017, in Cancun, Mexico. It aimed to target up to thirty (30) disaster risk reduction stakeholders from national and local government, national training institutes and academia, nongovernmental organizations, UN and other relevant actors and experts. The event exceeded its seating capacity and brought together fifty-six (56) representatives, plus (8) eight UNISDR participants – an indicator of the high level of demand, interest and need for action in capacity development. An outcome of the initial event was the call for continued consultation, across all regions, during 2017. Follow-up one-and-a-half hour consultations have also been held with national government representatives from Cameroon, Ghana, Mozambique (Africa), Indonesia, Philippines, Sri Lanka (Asia), and with Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan and Sudan (Arab States). A series of two-day consultations are now planned in the Africa, Americas, Arab States, Asia-Pacific regions.

Consultation Purpose

Regional consultation will contribute to the development of a Global Capacity Development Strategy for Implementation of the Sendai Framework.

The two-day consultation will seek to:

- Understand the most urgent capacity development needs for Sendai Framework implementation and disaster risk sensitive development planning: highlighting overlaps, gaps and opportunities
- Consult on the most appropriate solutions to address the evolving needs
- Establish a way forward to support disaster risk reduction capacity development programming

Expected Outcome

- Participants' contribute to the capacity to updating the Capacity Development Matrix of needs and existing service
- Identified needs and proposed solutions inform the Global Capacity Development Strategy for use in global capacity development programming by all relevant actors

Location and Date

- Arab States region, 9-10 October
- Africa region, Nairobi: 23-24 October *TBC*
- **Americas region, Panama: 26-27 October**
- Asia and the Pacific region, Bangkok: 31 October – 1 November

Venue

Panama City (*exact venue to be confirmed*)

Organizers

- UNISDR Global Education and Training Institute (GETI) (<http://www.unisdr.org/incheon>)
- UNISDR Regional Office for the Americas (<http://www.unisdr.org/americas>)

Target Audience

14-16 Member State representatives

2-3 IGO representatives

2-3 representatives from other relevant stakeholders

Language Requirements:

Fluency in Spanish and/or English

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26-27 October 2017, Panama City, Panama – Venue to be confirmed
Agenda**

Day One	
8:30 - 9:00	<u>Arrival and registration</u>
09:00 – 10:00	<u>Opening Session</u> <u>Introductions:</u> All participants <u>Introduction and background of the Capacity Development Strategy</u>
10:00 – 10:30	<u>Session 1: Capacity Needs for Sendai Framework Implementation</u> <u>Presentation: The Sendai Framework 2015-2030: Draft Sendai Monitor (selected indicators) + checklist</u>
10:30 – 12:30	<u>Group Work:</u> Identifying capacity gaps and needs (using selected indicators + checklist)
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	<u>Session 1 continued: Capacity Needs for Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction Implementation</u> <u>Group Presentations</u> (+ validation of needs identified in prior consultations) <u>Q&A</u>
14:30 – 15:00	<u>Session 2: Mapping Capacity Needs and Existing Practice for Sendai Framework Implementation</u> <u>Presentation: Capacity Development Matrix Tool</u>
15:00	Working Tea/coffee break
15:00 – 16:30	<u>Group Work:</u> Mapping capacity gaps with existing practice (using Capacity Development Matrix tool)
16:30 – 17:00	<u>Group Presentations:</u> <u>Q&A</u>

Day Two	
9:00 – 9:30	<p><u>Day 1 Recap and Day 2 Overview</u></p> <p><u>Q&A</u></p>
9:30 – 10:30	<p><u>Session 3: Sharing Solutions</u></p> <p><u>Plenary:</u> Discussion on existing capacity development solutions (identification of principles and criteria)</p>
10:30 – 11:30	<p><u>Group Work:</u> Discussion on existing practices that work to address capacity gaps</p>
11:30 – 12:30	<p><u>Session 4: Brainstorming Solutions</u></p> <p><u>Presentation:</u> Case studies to understand practical applications of DRR</p> <p>Priority #1: Understanding Disaster Risk</p> <p>Priority #2: Strengthening Disaster Risk Governance to Manage Disaster Risk</p> <p>Priority #3: Investing in Disaster Risk Reduction for Resilience</p> <p>Priority #4: Enhancing Disaster Preparedness for Effective Response, and to “Build Back Better” in Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction</p>
12.30 – 13:30	<p>Lunch</p>
13:30 – 15:30	<p><u>Session 4: Brainstorming Solutions</u></p> <p><u>Group Work:</u> Discussion on proposed practices/solutions to address capacity gaps</p>
15:00	<p>Working Tea/coffee break</p>
15:30 – 16:30	<p><u>Group Reports:</u> Solutions sharing on existing and proposed practices</p>
16.30 – 17.00	<p><u>Closing Session</u></p>