



Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

03- 06 July 2018, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

THEMATIC EVENTS: DRR IN ACTION

The Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction 2018 (AMCDRR)¹, being jointly hosted by the Government of Mongolia and the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), seeks to accelerate the implementation of the Sendai Framework and the Asia Regional Plan. The Asia Regional Plan encourages identification of identifying priorities to support national and local actions, enhance exchange of good practice, knowledge and information among governments and stakeholders.

Objective: The AMCDRR, being organised under the overarching theme 'Preventing Disaster Risk: Protecting Sustainable Development', forms the regional platform to share good practices, lessons and experiences in disaster risk management among governments, intergovernmental organizations, regional and international organizations, United Nations Organizations and stakeholder groups and organisations.

The AMCDRR Thematic Events: 'DRR in Action' will offer an opportunity to various organisations to share and discuss experiences in practical implementation of disaster risk reduction practices and programmes. The *application* of disaster risk reduction concepts and practices forms the focus of these thematic events.

Format of the Event: As the name suggests, the thematic events will focus on action-oriented disaster risk reduction initiatives, projects and programmes that can serve as a good model for sharing and replication. Activities at community level are, in particular, encouraged to be showcased.

A standard thematic event, **90 minutes** in duration, will comprise of a **chair**, not more than **four speakers** and a **discussant**:

- *5 mins:* The Chair introduces the topic under discussion and the panellists.
- *30 mins:* Each speaker outlines one case study that is relevant to the given theme or topic. The speakers will be given seven minutes each to present their case studies.
- *5 mins:* The discussant recapitulates the case studies pulling out common success traits and good practices across the given examples. S/he highlights the relevance of the case studies for the implementation of the Sendai Framework/the Asia Regional Plan and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Focusing on the big picture, the discussant provides constructive recommendations for replication and upscaling.
- *30 mins:* The Chair opens the floor for discussion. The audience may seek further clarification from the speakers on their case studies, and/or offer similar examples from other parts of the region, while adding and qualifying the recommendations.
- *20 mins:* The Chair asks the speakers and the discussant to offer their closing remarks and provides a short summary of discussion and recommendations. The

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Chair, in particular, offers views on how the good practices and recommendations can inform the decision-making.

Themes: The thematic events will feature case studies on the following topics:

1. Remarkable successes in reducing disaster impact (mortality and affected people)
2. Community/local action for resilience
3. Gender and Inclusiveness
4. Technology and innovations
5. Social protection and vulnerability reduction
6. Ecosystems-based disaster risk reduction
7. Early Warning and Early Action
8. Private sector interventions

Submission: Interested organisations are requested to submit case studies² in the attached format. Based on screening of the expression of interests³, the conference secretariat will confirm the acceptance of the case studies to partners. All case studies need to be in line with the pre-determined themes and topics as listed above. The outcomes of these events will be considered by the AMCDRR Drafting Committee to inform the outcome documents and will be reflected in the proceedings.

Interested organisations/ group of organisations are invited to submit a concept note in the format given below.

Please submit your expression of interest by email through this form to:
isdr-bkk@un.org (Copy: animesh.kumar@un.org; amcdrr2018@nema.gov.mn)
with the subject line "AMCDRR Thematic Event Application <Name of the Event>".

Deadline for Submission: 30 April 2018

[Click to Download Case Study Submission Form for the Thematic Event](#)

² The case studies need to reflect good practices and success stories.

³ An organizing team will screen the submissions for the thematic events.