



AFRICA-ARAB PLATFORM ON DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

□ TOWARDS DISASTER RISK INFORMED AND INCLUSIVE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT □

• 9-13 October 2018 • LAICO Hotel • Tunis • Tunisia

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

The Africa-Arab Platform on Disaster Risk Reduction is a multi-stakeholder conference that brings together governments intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, academia, women, youth, civil society, UN organizations and other stakeholders to build on past progress – and limit current and future threats to development. The Africa-Arab Platform will be co-organized by the Government of Tunisia and UNISDR in coordination with the League of Arab States and the African Union Commission from 9-13 October 2018 in Tunis, Tunisia.

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 Africa-Arab Platform on Disaster Risk Reduction.

A. THEMTHIC FOCUS AREAS¹

1. Risk-informed development and investment
2. Climate and disaster risk
3. Gender-inclusive DRR
4. Urbanization trends and challenges
5. DRR and conflict/displacement
6. DRR and Scientific, academic and technology institutions

¹ The listed focus areas are indicative in nature. If the applicant wants to organise an event which does not fall in one of these categories but is directly related to the theme of the event, please contact **Mr. Ragy Saro** (saro@un.org) and **Ms. Vanessa Buchot** (vanessa.buchot@un.org)

7. DRR and ecosystem
8. Preparedness to “build back better”
9. Multi-hazard early warning system
10. National and local DRR strategies and plans
11. DRR and agriculture and food security
12. Governance and accountability for DRR
13. Risk financing
14. Linking DRR, climate change adaptation and sustainable development

B. INFORMATION: PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS

1. Pre-conference events will be held on Tuesday, 9 October 2018 at LAICO Hotel.
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 simultaneous interpretation, travel and catering for participants will be met by the applicant. However, the conference organisers will facilitate necessary support as required.

C. INFORMATION: SIDE EVENTS

1. Side events will be organised from 10 to 12 October 2018 at LAICO Hotel.
2. Each side event will have a duration of one and a half hours.
3. The side events will follow one of the thematic focus areas in Section A. Additional themes can be proposed to the conference organisers if deemed necessary.
4. 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 the 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 **Mr. Ragy Saro** (saro@un.org) and **Ms. Vanessa Buchot** (vanessa.buchot@un.org) with the subject ‘PRE-CONFERENCE EVENT APPLICATION’ or ‘SIDE EVENT APPLICATION’ as the case may be.
2. Please submit one application per event.
3. Deadline for receipt of applications is **20 August 2018**.
4. Based on screening of the applications, the conference organizers will confirm the awarding of the thematic events to applicants.

E. DOCUMENTATION

1. Besides the application, 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 events. The format of the summary report will be shared in due course.
 3. These documents will be considered by the Platform Drafting Committees and reflected in the outcome documents.
- F. All potential organizers are encouraged to be mindful of gender balance in participation and choice of panelist and reflect the same through the concept note.**



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Concept Note for side event

Event title		
Event code	<i>Will be filled by conference Secretariat</i>	
Date and Time		
Venue/ Room no.		
Theme/ topic to be addressed	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Risk-informed development and investment 2. Climate and disaster risk 3. Gender-inclusive DRR 4. Urbanization trends and challenges 5. DRR and conflict/displacement 6. DRR and Scientific, academic and technology institutions 7. DRR and ecosystem 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Preparedness to “build back better” 9. Multi-hazard early warning system 10. National and local DRR strategies and plans 11. DRR and agriculture and food security 12. Governance and accountability for DRR 13. Risk financing 14. Linking DRR, climate change adaptation and sustainable development
Organizers	Lead: Collaborators: Contact Details* (lead): Name, designation, org. name, email id and phone number	
Session Objectives	<i>Please provide 2-3 main objectives</i>	

Background and context (<i>rationale of the event</i>)	
Session format and programme (<i>detailed agenda</i>)	<i>Please provide a detailed agenda of the event with time line</i>
Intended main outcome and Key messages	<i>Please provide succinct bulleted list of 5-7 key messages</i>
List of Speakers and their interventions	<i>Please provide Name, designation, organization and email id of the speaker. Please mention the topic of their intervention (in 1-2 lines)</i> <u>Important:</u> <i>Please ensure a balance of gender in the panel</i>
Technical Equipment	Projector, computer, microphones, others: _____