

International Thematic Group for Wind-related Disaster Risk Reduction

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Pressing needs of concerted cooperative actions of academic associations, international organizations and local communities.

Goals and Objective

Establish linkages and coordinate various communities to serve as inter-agency coordinators with a charter to work with international organizations involving agencies of the UN and involved NGOs, and to embolden their activities that help to serve as a bridge between policy makers and agencies responsible for actually carrying out the DRR at the local community level.

HP of IG-WRDRR:

http://www.iawe.org/WRDRR/index.html

Organization

IG-WRDRR is a thematic group under the umbrella of UN/ISDR.

IAWE, WMO, TPU, IFRC, ICHARM, UNESCAP, UN-Habitat, UNU, ADRC, BDPC, SEEDS Asia, ADRRN

IAWE: promotes international co-operation among scientists, engineers and other professionals for advancement of knowledge in the broad field of wind engineering.





Major Achievements

Professional activities that aimed at capacity building for WRDRR, including environmental problems, directly or indirectly.





Pedestrian wind











Resistance Design Method



Major Achievements

Social activities

Conferences

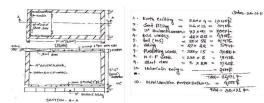


Conference Hosts



Initiatives in WRDRR

- > Preparedness for Wind-Related Hazards in Haiti
- > Recommendations on Tornado DRR for Bangladesh
- ➤ Mini-Safe Room (MSR) Project





Knowledge Dissemination and **Education**





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Future Goals and Contribution to post-HFA

WRDRR is a big long-term challenge to our society!

- > to implement the Hyogo Framework for Action and post-HFA in the area of wind-related disaster risk reduction;
- > to establish a database/warehouse of the latest information/ technologies relevant to wind-related effects and their mitigation;
- > to facilitate technology transfer that attends to the needs of local communities exposed to disasters around the world;
- > to provide assistance to international organizations in the preparation of guidelines to manage the impact of wind-related disasters including evacuation, recovery and reconstruction;



Future Goals and Contribution to post-HFA

- > to establish an international consensus for extreme winds based on damage relevant to different construction practices;
- > to establish international guidelines to prepare for windrelated disaster reduction activities;
- > to harmonize wind-loading codes and standards including environmental specifications;
- ➤ to encourage more involvement to a global Engineering Virtual Organization (EVO) for WR DRR; and
- > to hold international workshops/conferences on WR DRR irregularly.



Possible Synergies and Overlaps with other networks

- Hazard itself is multi-level and multi-discipline. Synergies and overlaps with other networks are inevitable; However,
- Mutual Knowledge/Technology/Information Exchange between Academic Organizations and International Organizations/Local Communities/ NGOs for DRR is very important.

Insufficient communication has been made.



International Concerted Actions for WRDRR!

