



## Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction Fourth Session - Invest Today for a Safer Tomorrow

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<b>Name and Type of Event</b>	Post-2015 Framework for DRR Consultation with National Platforms
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<b>Number of Participants</b>	Approximately 150 persons

**The meeting recognized the need to increase the number of National Platforms by 2015. To do so, the following urgent priorities were identified for integration as part of HFA2:**

### **Governance**

- Need to urgently clarify the role, mandate and TORs of National Platforms for better accountability and governance
- Promote a legal foundation for National Platforms to enhance their legitimacy and leadership for disaster risk reduction coordination at the national level
- NPs represent a hub for horizontal and vertical coordination
- They represent effective tools to address multi-sectorial challenges
- HFA2 should remain a flexible framework
- National Platforms represent crucial mechanisms to support national-level disaster risk reduction implementation, in close coordination and cooperation with UN Country Teams

### **National Platforms role and activities by 2015 and in HFA2**

- Enhance National Platforms advocacy capacity for DRR at the national level.
- NPs should be a central point for sharing experiences and good practices on disaster risk reduction. They are encouraged to campaign for disaster risk reduction (in support of global disaster risk reduction campaigns) and to better use the material (guidelines, good practices, reviews) made available at the global and regional levels to enhance their expertise and know-how for effective disaster risk reduction implementation
- Promote the application of science and technology and social science research to disaster risk reduction policy decision-making.
- Better mainstream and integrate climate adaptation work at the national level
- NPs should take a leading role in coordination national progress review processes as well as peer-reviewing processes

- National Platforms should help promote and strengthen women's leadership in disaster risk reduction

### **Partnership building**

- International in-country partners call for a better recognition of National Platforms as unique mechanism for disaster risk reduction coordination at the national level - Only NPs have the capacity to facilitate a better coordination and overview of disaster risk reduction activities at the national level for more effective planning through reduced duplication of projects and financial allocation
- National Platforms also represent unique mechanisms to bridge the gap between national and local levels – Their engagement with local communities should be strengthened.
- Their engagement with the private sector also requires further development. Only two few National Platforms integrate the private sector in their composition, more efforts should be made on that front
- Encourage for stronger partnerships at the national and local levels but also at the regional and international level through networking, the setting up of regional networks of national platforms, twinning initiative
- Peer-reviewing processes of progress are strongly encouraged to better identify and overcome challenges