



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

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Name and Type of Event	Thematic Platform on Emergency & Disaster Risk Management for Health organized by WHO (Consultation Meeting)
Date	Monday, 20 May
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Number of Participants	150

1) What were the key messages, outcomes and recommendations from your event?

Outcomes:

- Provided progress reports on health emergency and disaster risk management projects and initiatives.
- Gathered Health-related inputs to present in the informal plenaries on a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction and the Featured Event on Health (see below).
- Presented and agreed on the annual work plan for the thematic platform on disaster risk management for health
- Reviewed the Terms of Reference for the Thematic Platform on Emergency and Disaster Risk Management for Health.

2) Based on the Synthesis Report of the HFA2 consultation process up to the GP13, what are specific recommendations and concrete examples for the main topics, themes and issues to be addressed in the HFA2?

- **Health is a driver of community resilience and development.** By managing risks to health, people are able to maintain their effective livelihoods and contribute to community development.
- **Health for all.** Effectively address health issues before, during and after emergencies for all-of-society, including elderly, people with disabilities and other emerging and neglected community issues
- **Health Science and Research** – Strengthen the evidence base and strategies to scale up good practices across all disciplines to improve health outcomes in disaster risk management.