



Global Facility for Disaster Risk Reduction & Recovery - Track I Proposals on Urban Disaster Risk Reduction -

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United Nations / International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

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- Established in June 2006 as a partnership of the ISDR system to support the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA)
- Aims to mainstream disaster reduction and climate change adaptation in country development strategies (i.e. PRSSs, CASSs, UNDAFs, and NAPAs) and sectoral development strategies to reduce vulnerabilities to natural hazards

Track I - global and regional deliverables:

- Supports the annual work programme of the ISDR Secretariat to:
 - Enhance global and regional advocacy, partnerships, and knowledge management in disaster risk reduction
 - Standardize and harmonize DRR tools and methodologies at regional level
 - Improve coordination, coherence and communication among ISDR system partners
- The World Bank contributes \$ 5 million a year for Track I.

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Track II - in-country deliverables:

- In partnership with governments and development partners in low and middle income countries to mainstream DRR for sustainable poverty reduction
- Multi-donor Trust Fund: UK, Australia, Denmark, Japan, Luxembourg, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Italy and Canada
- Initiatives in the East Asia and the Pacific cover 12 countries (2007-9):
 - Cambodia, East Timor, Fiji, Indonesia, Kiribati, Lao PDR, Marshall Islands, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Vietnam
- Initiatives in South Asia cover 7 countries (2007-9):
 - Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Pakistan

Track III - recovery:

- To mobilize international assistance for disaster recovery in primarily low-income countries to accelerate recovery operations.
- USAID and the European Commission are expected to contribute.

GFDRR Track 1: Southeast Asia & Pacific

2007 Work Plan SEAP

- **HFA Progress Monitoring and Reporting:**
 - Report on the Status of DRR in Asia and Pacific (under peer review)
- **Technical/Policy Notes on:**
 - Disaster Risk Management in Asia/Pacific at a Glance
 - [Building codes and land use management](#)
 - Disaster risk management at local and community level
 - Risk analysis and risk financing mechanisms
- **Regional Coherence, cooperation and partnership building:**
 - Expanded ISDR Asia Partnership
 - Asian Ministerial Conference on DRR in Delhi, Nov. 2007
 - Consultations on the Asia Regional Platform
 - Asia/Pacific Regional Workshop on School Education and DRR in Bangkok, Oct. 2007

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2008 Work Plan SEAP

- **HFA Progress Monitoring and Reporting:**
 - Implement regional HFA progress reporting framework – assist regional and national partners fulfill their reporting commitments
- **Regional Coherence, cooperation and partnership building:**
 - Support ASEAN through the provision of disaster reduction expertise and advisory services
 - Support Asian Ministerial Conference on DRR in KL, 2008
- **DRR Mainstreaming Initiatives:**
 - Pacific regional study on the poverty/disasters interface (WB, UNDP, SOPAC, ISDR) -> input into NAP process and GAR
 - Professional DRR Certification Programme for Urban Planners (EMI, UNDP, WBI, ProVention, CADRI, ISDR)
 - Asia Pacific Regional Meeting on good practices in mitigating and adapting to potential impacts of climate change and natural disasters in Urban Areas (WB, ISDR, UCLG)
 - Facilitate regional exchange of experiences with risk transfer mechanisms (WB, ISDR, probably ProVention)

Asia Pacific Regional Meeting on Good Practices in DRR & Climate Change Adaptation

A joint initiative of the World Bank, UN/ISDR, and UCLG

Objectives:

- Asia launch of the World Bank Practitioner's Handbook on Reducing Vulnerability to the Impacts from Climate Change and Related Natural Disasters
- Exchange experiences and good practice in DRR & climate change adaptation

Date & Venue:

- 14 July 2008, prior to the 2nd UCLG Asia Pacific Congress (15-18 July 2008)
- Pattaya, Thailand

Participants:

- Approx. 50 - mayors, urban planners, DRM practitioners, environment practitionersm experts and resource persons

City Selection:

- Based on city typology and selection criteria (TBD)
- **Inputs and ideas welcome of cities with a demonstrated track record**



Professional DRR Certification Programme for Urban Planners

A joint initiative of EMI, UNDP, WBI, ProVention, CADRI, and UN/ISDR

Objective:

- Pilot in Asia a globally recognized and accredited professional certification in DRR for Urban Planning Specialists

Rationale:

- Implementation of HFA in urban areas requires formation of competent DRM professionals
- Greater recognition of DRM as a professional field supports mainstreaming objectives
- Lack of widely recognized professional standards for the DRM practice

Status:

- The first meeting of programme partners to discuss the initial concept note prepared by EMI was held in November 2007 in Geneva, hosted by UNDP, and agreed to the following next steps:
 - Develop a three- year programme proposal that guarantors/sponsors use to seek an institutional commitment from their organizations
 - Prepare a detailed implementation schedule for year one, and an indicative schedule for the following two years

Disaster risk reduction is everyone's business.

Thank you for your attention

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