



The 3rd Meeting of the Asia Regional Task Force on Urban Risk Reduction (RTF-URR)

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Briefing on Recent Developments

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Two Meetings Held



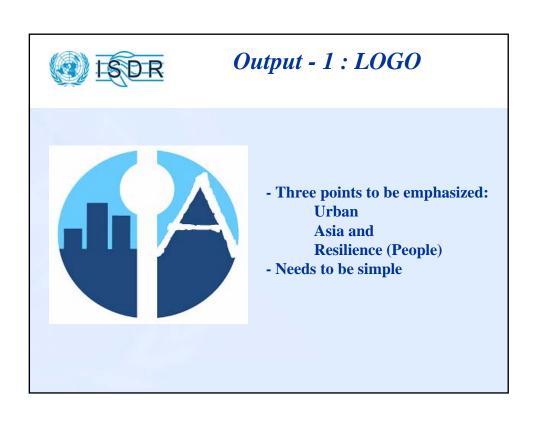
1st Brainstorming Meeting (Kobe) 23 – 24 January 2008

- Participants: ADPC, ADRC, DRI, EMI, IRP Secretariat, JICA, Kobe University, Kyoto University, UNCRD, UNEP, UN-Habitat, UN/ISDR, UNU (Tokyo) and WHO
- Informed of their activities on urban risk reduction
- Agreed to establish the Asia Task Force on Urban Risk Reduction
- · Agreed on goals, objectives and main categories of activities

2nd Follow-up Meeting (BKK)

14 February 2008

- Participants: ADPC, ADRC, EMI, Kyoto University, NSET-Nepal, UNCRD, UNEP, UN/ISDR and China
- Elected the Chair and Vice-Chair
- Discussed the next steps; identified lead agencies for each area of work







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Contains:

- Concept Papers, Agenda, Presentations, Meeting Minutes, List of Participants of the 1st and the 2nd Meetings





Also posted on the RTF-URR provisional website http://www.adrc.or.jp/events/RTFmeeting20080130/top.html



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Describes the structure, roles and activities of the Asia Regional Task Force on Urban Risk Reduction (RTF-URR) that would encourage synergy and promote effective engagement and partnerships, with a view to increasing effectiveness of the integration of risk reduction in urban management.





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BACKGROUND

- * Focus on Urbanization
- * Focus on Asia
- * Focus on Resilience
- * Focus on Urban Futures

RATIONALE

A Thematic Platform of the ISDR System

THE TASK FORCE

- * Goal and Objectives
- * Priority Activities and Outputs
- * Operating Modality of the Task Force



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Main categories of activities:

1. Policy and Advocacy

- Identifying priorities for urban DRR and gap analysis
- Developing policy advocacy paper and participation in the key regional events.

Outputs: Policy Papers and participation in advocacy forums

2. Knowledge management

- Developing and maintaining knowledge base of experts, resources, tools and activities
- Setting standards and codes of practices.

Outputs: knowledge repository, training and capacity building programs

3. Promoting Synergies and Cooperation

- Promoting joint implementation of its members organizations
- Promoting training and capacity building programs.

Outputs: Country specific actions and dissemination









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Thank you very much!