



**WHY** are the guideline needed

- The Hyogo Framework calls upon the ISDR system to support national efforts in implementing the HF specifying that
- States have primary responsibility for the implementation of the HF

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**WHAT** are the guidelines about

- Hands-on tool to aid users in identifying and undertaking appropriate disaster risk reduction actions
- A compilation of concepts methods and case studies, anchored on the five priority actions of the Hyogo Framework
- 'How-to' manual with practical steps to 'get started' on the implementation of the Hyogo Framework with examples from around the world and references to case studies

What they are not :

- Cover all hazards, disaster risk reduction elements and approaches
- Exhaustive treatment of the Hyogo Framework concepts and recommendations

**What they are not:**

- A 'one-size-fit-all' approach

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**WHO** are the guidelines for

- The guidelines are aiming at supporting national efforts in particular to:
- State Ministers and Official, in particular those responsible for disaster risk management and national platforms for HF implementation;
- State and local officials and other stakeholders involved in the development and implementation of national platforms and other recommended HF actions;
- Disaster risk reduction advocates and professionals

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**HOW** are the guidelines structured

The guidelines offers a 360° view on "how" to transform words into actions by presenting for proposed 'getting started' activity :

1. Aim	7. Intangibles
2. Significance	8. Case studies
3. Key Actions	9. Lessons learned
4. Getting started	10. Obstacles and impediments
5. Keys to success	11. If you need help
6. Main Actors and Resources Needed	12. Definitions
	13. Tools, Additional Information and References

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**Underlying Principles of the Guide**

- **principle of correlation** of vulnerability reduction with sustainable development, economic and social environmental policies, by integrating DRR in Development Planning
- **participation :setting priorities through a participatory process** of multi sectoral stakeholders
- **safeguarding the public**
- **sustainability**

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## Institutional mechanism and processes for implementing Guide

- **flexibility and long term goals**
- **Decentralization and strengthening local capacity**
- **Enhancing governance and inter-governmental linkages at all levels**
- **Establishing and sustaining partnerships**
- **Promoting Lender and Donor Support for DRR**
- **Benchmarking, Evaluating and Measuring Progress**

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## HOW are the guidelines structured

The guidelines reflect the Hyogo Framework structure, and include:

Five Action Areas:

1. Ensure that Disaster Risk Reduction is a National and Local Priority with a Strong Institutional Basis for Implementation
2. Identify, Assess And Monitor Risk And Enhance Early Warning Systems
3. Use knowledge, innovation and education to build a culture of safety and resilience at all levels
4. Reduce the underlying risk factors
5. Strengthen Disaster Preparedness for Effective Response at all Levels

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## HOW are the guidelines structured

For each Action Area - 3 to 4 proposed 'getting started' activities;

*For example*

### Action Area 1:

Ensure that Disaster Risk Reduction is a National and Local Priority with a Strong Institutional Basis for Implementation

- Proposed 'getting started activities' for this action area:

- 1.1 Evaluate legal, institutional, and policy framework
- 1.2 Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue
- 1.3 Establish Disaster Risk Management Vision, Policy and Plan
- 1.4 Institutionalize and Mainstream Disaster Risk Reduction into Everyday Functions and Operations and Long-Term Plans

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## Example priority I HFA 1.1—Evaluate legal, institutional, and policy framework

### Getting Started Steps

- Obtain executive and organizational support for the review
- Organize an interdisciplinary team to undertake the review
- Gather information through research of documentary sources—laws, executive orders, regulations, policies, strategies, plans, resources, and institutions and institutional arrangements for disaster risk reduction, preparedness, response and recovery.
- Conduct structured interviews of government officials and other key stakeholders including local disaster researchers
- Review past disaster experiences and lessons learned as revealed in previous studies
- Identify strong and weak aspects of the existing systems
- Identify relevant experiences from other States which might be adapted and implemented
- Identify improvements which can be made, opportunities for learning and strengthening existing systems, and collaboration with international, national, and local entities

### Obstacles and impediments

- May need to overcome some initial reluctance toward perceived criticism or self-criticism that is implicit in an assessment or evaluation

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## WHAT will the guidelines look like



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## HOW TO CONTRIBUTE

- A special webpage will be established shortly on the www.unisdr.org website.
- It will include latest versions of the draft 'getting started' guidelines and modalities to comment.
- In the meantime comments, case studies, good practices, examples of tools can be sent to:

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