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● Promoting Cooperation with Member Countries

Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction (ACDR) 2021

The Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction (ACDR) 2021 was held virtually from 14-16 December 2021 due to the worldwide spread of COVID-19. 430 participants from 36 countries included representatives from member countries, international organizations, the private sector, and academic/research institutes. The Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC) would like to extend our sincere appreciation to all the participants for taking the time to share their experiences. You can view the three days of conference using the links below until 31 March 2022.

ACDR2021 Links

Day 1: <https://youtu.be/uriF9zui98s>

Day 2: <https://youtu.be/TfVFjwDLrKE>

Day 3: <https://youtu.be/hyjpgkKFKPgY>



Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction 2021
Time for Change and Transformation: the Road to a Resilient Asia
14 - 16 December 2021

DAY 1

- Opening & Keynote Session
- High Level Round Table, Statement by Member Countries

14 December (Tue)
15:00 - 17:00 (Japan Time, UTC+9)
<https://acdr.adrc.asia/>



(ACDR2021 Viewing Site)

The Conference Agenda of Day 1 is updated as follows;

Opening remarks

- HE Mr NINOYU Satoshi, Minister of State for Disaster Management, Government of Japan
- HE Mr Rustam Nazarzoda, Chairman, Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defense, Tajikistan
- Prof HAMADA Masanori, Chairman, Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC)

Keynote Speech

- Ms Mami Mizutori, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General (SRSG) for Disaster Risk Reduction, Head of the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)

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- HE Dr Basuki Hadimuljono, Minister for Public Works and Housing (PU), Indonesia
- Ms Sandra Wu Wen-Hsiu, Chairperson and CEO, Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd.

High-Level Round Table

- HE Mr Rustam Nazarzoda, Chairman, Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defense, Tajikistan
- Assistant Commissioner Yazid Abdullah, Director, Volunteer and Community Partnership Department, Singapore Civil Defence Force, Singapore
- Mr Md Mohsin, Secretary, Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh
- Prof Dr Syamsul Maarif, Chairman (Former Head of BNPB), Indonesia Center for Research and Training on Disaster Management (PUSPPITA), Indonesia
- MG G Ariunbuyan, Chief, National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), Mongolia
- Mr Muhamad Idrees, Member(DRR), National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Pakistan
- Secretary Delfin N. Lorenzana, Chairperson of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council, Philippines
- Major General Sudantha Ranasinghe, Director General, Disaster Management Centre, Sri Lanka
- Mr Boontham Lertsukekasem, Director-General, Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation, Ministry of Interior, Thailand
- Mr Pham Duc Luan, Deputy Director General, Viet Nam Disaster Management Authority, Viet Nam

More information about the conference will be included in the next issue of ADRC Highlights.

● Promoting Cooperation with Affiliated Institutions

The 2nd GLIDE Steering Committee Meeting

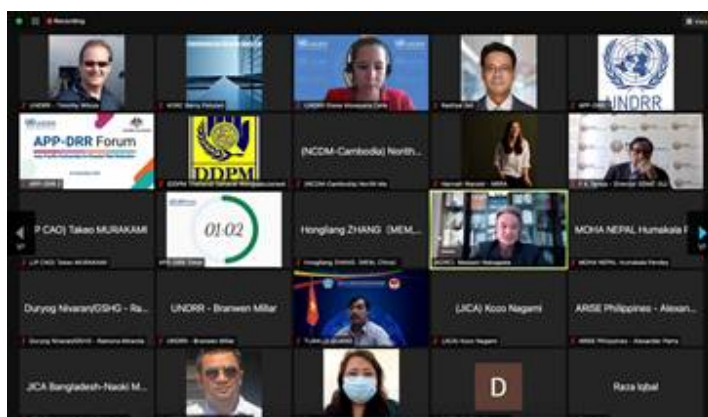
The 2nd GLIDE Steering Committee (SC) meeting took place on 8 December 2021. A total of 13 people from SC member organizations participated in the meeting to share views and discuss the progress being made on GLIDE system improvements.

Following the presentation of the GLIDE activity report for 2021, three subcommittees working on SOP, API, and Product Development reported on their plans and recommendations, triggering interactive and insightful discussions among participants.

● Participation in International Conferences

ADRC Participates in APP-DRR Forum

ADRC participated in the Asia-Pacific Partnerships for Disaster Risk Reduction (APP-DRR) Forum, held virtually on 8-9 December 2021, to discuss the key priorities in and progress made on implementing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction across the region. The discussions emphasized seizing new opportunities to make more progress through the new Asia Pacific Action Plan (2021-2024), the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction, to be held 23-28 May 2022 in Bali, Indonesia; the Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (APMCDRR), to be held 19-22 September 2022 in Brisbane, Australia; and the Mid-Term Review of the Sendai Framework.



Statement by Mr Nakagawa, ADRC Executive Director

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In his statement at the Forum, ADRC Executive Director NAKAGAWA Masaaki, proposed two points to advance an evidence-based approach for the mid-term review. One is to place more focus on data development in developing countries to address the ongoing challenge of a lack of disaster risk reduction data. The other is to better promote efforts to reduce disaster risk (before a disaster), in addition to conducting disaster response activities (after a disaster). Mr NAKAGAWA pointed out the need for risk-informed investment in structural and non-structural measures (e.g., development plans and land use plans) in the implementation of the Sendai Framework. Details of ADRC's statement can be found online: <https://www.undrr.org/event/asia-pacific-partnership-disaster-risk-reduction-app-drr-forum-2021>

Participation in the 16th Integrated Workshop

As an observer in the ESCAP/WMO Typhoon Committee, ADRC participated in the 16th Integrated Workshop (IWS) held online on 2-3 December 2021. The IWS is an annual event that gives members and observers of the Typhoon Committee (TC) an opportunity to review the activities and progress of the four TC working groups: Working Group on Meteorology (WGM); Working Group on Hydrology (WGH); Working Group on Disaster Risk Reduction (WGDRR); and Training and Research Coordination Group (TRCG). During the two-day event, the members of each working group discussed, in parallel, their priorities based on the TC's Draft Strategic Plan 2022-2026.

ADRC is a member of the WGDRR, and participated in discussions of the following priorities and key result areas (KRAs).

WG	Priorities	Key Result Area (KRA)						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
DRR	Provide reliable statistics on mortality and direct disaster economic losses caused by typhoon-related disasters for monitoring the targets of the Typhoon Committee	X					X	
	Enhance members' disaster risk reduction techniques and management strategies			X	X	X		X
	Evaluate socio-economic benefits of disaster risk reduction for typhoon-related disasters		X	X	X	X		
	Promote international cooperation on DRR implementation projects		X	X	X	X		X
	Share experience/expertise of DRR activities including legal and policy framework, community-based DRR activities, and methodologies for collecting disaster-related information.	X			X	X		X

Descriptions of each KRA can be viewed online in the Report on the Activities of the TC Working Group on Disaster Risk Reduction (WGDRR) in 2021 (<http://www.typhooncommittee.org/16IWS/Parallels16IWS.html>).

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