SESSION DESCRIPTION

C1 Consultation on the way forward of the Making Cities Resilient Campaign

Panel discussion

Date: Thursday, 27 June 2019
Time: 09:00-10:30
Rooms: S29-31

Language: English
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OBJECTIVE

The Making Cities Resilient (MCR) Campaign, launched in 2010, has been successful in raising awareness and political profile for disaster risk reduction (DRR) and resilience among cities. Upon the recommendation of partners and cities at the High-Level Forum on Implementing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction in Florence, Italy1, the Campaign was extended beyond 2015 to 2020, not only to continue the needed advocacy but also to provide support to cities and local governments in the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, in coherence with other global frameworks including the 2030 Agenda, the Paris Agreement and the New Urban Agenda. Various tools were developed and promoted to guide capacity development towards building resilient cities. As of March 2019, more than 4,250 cities have signed up to the Campaign.

In preparation for the way forward of the MCR Campaign post 2020, this event serves as a venue for consultation with local authorities, partners and stakeholders involved in urban, climate and disaster resilience. The discussion will focus on the progress made to date, identify remaining challenges and brainstorm on areas of work critical to accelerate the achievement of resilience building at the local level. The outcome of the discussion will inform the design of the successor of the Making Cities Resilient (MCR) Campaign post 2020.

OUTCOMES

Inputs to inform the way forward of the Making Cities Resilient Campaign post 2020.

METHODOLOGY

- Opening and introduction of the consultation by the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (5 minutes)
- Introduction of the Making Cities Resilient Campaign by the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (10 minutes)
- 3 speakers to share the insights – to kick start the discussion (5 minutes each x 3 people = 15 minutes)
- Group discussion around the guiding questions. (35 minutes)
- Group presentation of the discussion. (15 minutes)
- Q&A (5 minutes)
- The facilitator will conclude with closing remarks. (5 minutes)

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1 http://www.unisdr.org/archive/49296
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Guiding questions:

1. What have been the major achievement on urban resilience in the last decade?

2. What are the remaining challenges in the implementation of disaster risk reduction and resilience building actions at the local level?

3. What could be done more to make sure cities/municipalities efforts in disaster and climate resilience are sustained and scaled up?

4. What can you contribute/commit to accelerate the implementation of resilience at the local level?

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Panelist  Representative from Honiara, Solomon Islands

Further recommended reading

Making Cities Resilient Campaign  https://www.unisdr.org/campaign/resilientcities/

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction  https://www.unisdr.org/we/coordinate/sendai-framework