







Silent disasters

addressing small/medium-sized disasters

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Small/medium-sized disasters too often fail to capture the public attention or resources needed to provide essential support for those affected, and with each recurring disaster further threaten to erode development gains and coping capacities.

The discussion's focus will include the following:

- · Which specific actions can affected states and stakeholders take?
- What innovation is needed in terms of the tools and
- What can be learned from resilience-building initiatives?
- What kind of funding and supporting mechanisms are needed to adequately address silent disasters?

With coffee, tea and croissants available starting from 07:45 for informal discussion

Moderator

Ms Joelle Tanguy, Under Secretary General for Humanitarian Values and Diplomacy, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Panelists

- Dr. Jesus S. Domingo, Assistant Secretary (Director-General) for United Nations and Other International Organisations, Department of Foreign Affairs, Republic of the Philippines
- Dr. Florika Fink-Hooijer, Director, Strategy, Policy and International Cooperation, Directorate General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO), European Commission
- Mr. Dominique Burgeon, Director Emergency and Rehabilitation Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Mr. Daniel Kull, Deputy Special Representative to the UN, World Bank — Geneva
- Mr. Ken Kiggundu, Director for Disaster management, Uganda Red Cross Society