

Linking Disaster Risk Reduction, Climate Change Adaptation and Sustainable Development through the Human Security Approach

Ministerial Luncheon at the Africa-Arab Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction

11 October 2018

13:00-14:30, LAICO Hotel, L'Escale Room
Tunis, Tunisia

Agenda

- **Video presentation** - highlighting how communities have applied the human security approach to address the multidimensional consequences of natural disasters and contribute to the implementation of the Sendai Framework
- **Opening Remarks** - H.E. Mr. Riadh Mouakher, Minister of Environment and Local Affairs of the Republic of Tunisia
- **Presentation** - Ms. Mehrnaz Mostafavi, Chief of the United Nations Human Security Unit (HSU), on the mutually reinforcing linkages between human security and disaster risk reduction
- **Interactive Panel Discussion** - moderated by Ms. Kirsi Madi, Director of the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)

The interactive panel discussion and Q&A will provide the opportunity to share experiences and lessons learned on how the human security approach can help strengthen strategies, tools and partnerships to accelerate integrated and preventive action towards implementation and localization of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. It will draw on concrete examples from Africa and Arab States, as well as latest innovations in integrated ecosystem management to provide lessons learned and best practices to reduce vulnerability and build resilience in the face of disasters, climate change, and slow-onset crises.

Panellists:

Dr. Fadi Hamdan - Founder, Centre for Disaster Response

H.E. Sheikh Saleh Habimana - Ambassador of the Republic of Rwanda to Tunisia

TBC - League of Arab States

Dr. Nicholas Novelli - Yale University Center for Ecosystems in Architecture

- **Closing remarks** – Ms. Kirsi Madi, Director of UNISDR