

Side Event

Integrating risk reduction and resilience into the implementation of the Doha Programme of Action through an inclusive multi-stakeholder approach

Date & time: 12:15 - 13:45, 8th March 2023

Venue: PSF room 3, Qatar National Convention Centre **Organisers:** UNDRR Stakeholder Engagement Mechanism

Background

The world is facing critical challenges on multiple fronts, spanning from crossing critical planetary boundaries to battling the ongoing financial and energy crisis. Despite advances in technology and wealth, human civilization is in a precarious position. Nowhere are these ongoing crises more obvious than in the Least Developed Countries (LDCs), places where the effects of multifaceted disasters are palpable. LDCs are among the most exposed to negative climate impacts and are the least equipped to manage their consequences. More than 30% of LDCs are directly impacted by fragility. These multifaceted disasters, ranging from small to large scale, and from climate change to man made induced, significantly impede the development gains of LDCs.

Reducing the risks for future and escalating disasters will have both direct and long term indirect effects on the sustainable and resilient development of LDCs. This involves reducing and mitigating the impacts of climate change, promoting peacebuilding, and conflict prevention. Integrating disaster risk reduction within policies for structural transformation, productive capacities, infrastructure development, health and education, and sustainable agriculture will ensure that policy decisions made today do not create risks for current and future generations. Inclusive disaster risk reduction measures can help LDCs

become more resilient to future crises, such as pandemics, economic downturns, and climate catastrophes.

Objectives

- Facilitate discussions on strategies and good practices to enhance inclusive disaster risk management, community-led action, and good governance to build resilient development within LDCs.
- Provide a space for stakeholders, united nations and member states to meet, discuss and learn from each other about good practices, challenges and solutions to ensure resilient and sustainable development within LDCs.

Program

5 minutes Welcome Remarks

By the moderator Mr. Adessou Kossivi, Director of Africa Regional Office, GNDR

4 minutes **Opening Remarks**

Mr. Marco Toscano-Rivalta, Chief, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations

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8 minutes Building Resilience in Complex Settings in LDCs from a Human Rights based Approach:

Stories from the Ground

Ms. Aminata Monékata, Programme Manager, ActionAid Mali

8 minutes **Presentation 2 - [title tba]**

Ms. Rebecca Yei Kamara, Member Of Parliament for Eastern Region, Sierra Leone

22 minutes Questions & Answers

Response from Mr. Marco Toscano-Rivalta, followed by open discussion facilitated by Mr.

Adessou Kossivi

8 minutes Nepal's Integrated Disaster Information Management System - Use of Data for

Risk-Informed Planning and Decision Making

Mr. Pradip Khatiwada, Executive Director, Youth Innovation Lab

8 minutes A Perspective from a Grassroot Activist on the Doha Program of Action

Ms. Gertrude Kenyangi, Grassroots member of the Forest - a Dependent Indigenous and

Local Community in Uganda

22 minutes Questions & Answers

Response from Mr. Marco Toscano-Rivalta, followed by open discussion facilitated by Mr.

Adessou Kossivi

4 minutes Closing Remarks & Call to Action

Mr. Marco Toscano-Rivalta, Chief, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations

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