

Propuestas textuales presentadas por Ecuador 17-Nov.

11. Whereas some progress in reducing losses has been achieved, a substantial reduction requires perseverance and persistence with a more explicit focus on persons and on measuring progress. Building on the HFA, the present framework aims to achieve the following outcome over the next 20 years:

The substantial reduction of disaster losses, in lives, and in the social, economic and environmental assets of persons, communities and countries.

The realization of this outcome requires the full stated commitment and involvement of the political leadership at every level in every country. Responsibilities should be shared **and clearly defined** by central governments and **local authorities** and all stakeholders, as appropriate to their national circumstances and system of governance.

14. The present framework applies to the risk of small and large-scale, frequent and infrequent, and slow-onset disasters caused by natural hazards and related environmental, technological **and biological** hazards and risks, and aims to guide the multi-hazard management of disaster risk in development at local, national, regional and global levels.