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Assessment and review of the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action**

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Summary

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The post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction to be adopted at the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (WCDRR) 14-18 March 2015 in Sendai, Japan is itself the culmination of ongoing reviews of progress in the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action. Key sessions at the WCDRR will review progress in each of the five priority areas of the HFA with a view to inform planning towards implementation of a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction.

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This document provides a readily accessible listing of key reviews and recalls how these have fed into consultations towards the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction since March 2012. These broadly fall within the following categories:

Official HFA monitor country reports: After the adoption of the Hyogo Framework for Action in 2005, an online monitoring and review tool, the HFA Monitor, was made available to countries in 2007 to systematize national data, assessments and reviews of progress. The Monitor captures inputs from countries according to the progress indicators of the HFA and ensures some degree of comparability of data over time. 146 countries have responded since the launch of the HFA Monitor in 2007. The data comes from government self-assessment of progress and identification of trends and challenges.

Outcomes of Global and Regional Platforms: Global Platforms for Disaster Risk Reduction have been organized biennially since 2007 and regional platforms and meetings have been convened in all regions (and many sub-regions). These have been instrumental in taking stock of progress and calibrating priorities accordingly. The Chair's Summaries of Global Platforms provide new directions and priorities emerging from implementation of the HFA.

The Mid-Term Review of the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA): A Mid-Term Review was produced in response to the request of the 2009 Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction for a broad strategic review of the state of HFA implementation. It was facilitated by the UNISDR Secretariat through a participatory approach involving stakeholders at international, regional, and national levels and included targeted reviews on issues such as the role of women, financial mechanisms, influence of peer-to-peer communication, data/information and the role of the UN in the implementation of the HFA.

Local Government Self-Assessments: Designed and launched through the Making Cities Resilient Campaign, these self-assessments have been used since 2011 by local government to report on progress in implementing the Ten Essentials for Disaster Risk Reduction. These reports are available publicly.

Supplementary reviews: Many supplementary reviews have been carried out by governments and organizations as well as by UNISDR. These have brought more depth to specific issues: for instance, a peer review of National Platforms; a review of Institutional Partnerships in Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems produced by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO); and the biennial report "Views from the Frontline" on HFA implementation, produced by the Global Network of Civil Society in 2009, 2011 and 2013. These are only a few examples of the many reviews launched at key events and routinely submitted to Preventioweb.net, the main knowledge platform for disaster risk reduction community.

Additional material can be found in various contributions and background papers to related international processes such as the Rio+20 Sustainable Development Conference in 2012 and the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) Conference in 2014. Finally, the outcome reports of consultative meetings towards the development of a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction include summaries and reviews of progress and gaps. Documents related to the review of HFA implementation can be found on http://www.preventionweb.net, and a non-exhaustive list of key reviews is contained below.

Non-exhaustive List of Reviews of HFA Implementation

Global documentation

Progress reports and reviews

- Mid-Term Review 2010-2011 of Hyogo Framework for Action.
- Progress report on the matrix of commitment and initiatives to support the implementation of the Hyogo Framework.
- Aligning regional and global disaster risk reduction agendas: summary of key regional political commitments and disaster risk reduction priorities.
- Regional compendium, 2012–2013: regional outcomes and priorities for disaster risk reduction.
- Implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action Summary of reports 2007-2013.
- Biennial National Progress Reports of implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action. Four cycles 2007 2014.
- Biennial Regional Progress Reports of implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action.
- Local Progress Reports of the Local Government Self-Assessment Tool.
- Strategic directions for the ISDR system to assist the implementation of the Hyogo Framework.
- Words into action: a guide to implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action.

- Disaster preparedness for effective response: guidance and indicator package for implementing priority five of the Hyogo Framework.
- Indicators of progress: guidance on measuring the reduction of disaster risks and the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action.
- A guide for implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action by local stakeholders.
- Disaster through a different lens: behind every effect, there is a cause.
- Findings of the Review of National Platforms for Disaster Risk Reduction 2012-2013.

Documents related to the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction

- Post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (HFA2): Report from 2013 Global Platform consultations.
- Compilation report on consultations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction. July 2014. A/CONF.224/PC (I)/5
- Towards a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction.
- Synthesis report on consultations on the post-2015 framework on disaster risk reduction.
- Progress and challenges in disaster risk reduction: a contribution towards the development of policy indicators for the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction.
- Report of the Preparatory Committee for the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction on its first session. July 2014. A/CONF.224/PC(I)/16
- Report of the Preparatory Committee of the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction on its second session. 2014. A/CONF.224/PC (II)/8
- Regional and national experience under the Hyogo Framework for Action. November 2014. A/CONF.224/PC (II)/6.
- United Nations Plan of Action on disaster risk reduction for resilience, 2013.

Regional Documentation

Africa:

- Outcome documents of three Ministerial meetings and five sessions of the Regional Platforms for Disaster Risk Reduction in Africa.
- Africa Regional Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction 2004
- Programme of Action for the Implementation of the African Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction (2005-2010).
- Extended programme of action for the implementation of the Africa Regional Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction (2006-2015).
- Status report on implementation of Africa regional strategy and Hyogo Framework for Action 2014.

Americas:

- Outcome documents of four sessions of the Regional Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction in the Americas.
- South America: a regional view of disaster risk / América del sur: una visión regional de la situación de riesgo de desastres.
- Primer Informe sobre el Impacto de los Desastres en América Latina y el Caribe: Tendencias y Estadísticas para 16 países entre 1990-2011.
- Informe Regional del Estado de la Vulnerabilidad y Riesgos de Desastres en Centroamérica 2014.
- América del Sur: Enfoque para la Gestión del Riesgo de Desastres.

Arab States:

- Outcome documents of two sessions of the Arab Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction.
- Progress in reducing disaster risk and implementing Hyogo Framework for Action in the Arab Region 2009.
- An overview of environment and disaster risk reduction in the Arab Region: A community perspective 2011.
- The Arab strategy for disaster risk reduction 2020.

Asia Pacific:

- Outcome documents of six sessions of the Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction.
- Outcome documents of six Sessions of the Pacific Platform for Disaster Risk Management.
- Regional synthesis report on HFA implementation in Asia and Pacific: an overview of reports by countries up to 2007.
- Regional synthesis report on implementation of the HFA in Asia and Pacific 2007-2008/09.
- Association of Southeast Asian Nations Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response Work Programme for 2010-2015.
- Advancing implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) in Asia and the Pacific 2009-2015.
- HFA progress in Asia Pacific: regional synthesis report 2009-2011.
- Incheon Declaration, Road Map & Action Plan. Two Year Summary Progress Report 2010-2012.
- Asia Pacific synthesis report: consultations on the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (HFA2).
- Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (2011). Implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action: Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific -Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction. E/ESCAP/CDR (2)/INF/8.

- Asia Pacific Input document for the post-2015 framework for DRR.
- Ten-Year Review on Progress towards and Contributions Made by the Pacific Region to the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) from 2005-2015.

Europe:

- Outcome documents of five annual meetings of the European Forum Disaster Risk Reduction.
- Outcome of the European ministerial meeting on disaster risk reduction.
- Implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action in Europe: advances and challenges 2007-2009.
- Implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action in Europe: advances and challenges 2009-2011.
- Implementing the Hyogo Framework for Action in Europe Regional Synthesis Report 2011-2013.
- Finland peer review report 2013 Building resilience to disasters: implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action (2005-2015).
- United Kingdom peer review report 2013 Building resilience to disasters: implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action (2005-2015).
- Local level implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action: recommendations for the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction.