From Crisis to Resilience

- Between April and June 2021 (date TBC)
- Virtual Platform
- Two days: 14:00-19:00 AEST each day

Three thematic pillars:
Plenary 1: Resilient Investment & Recovery;
Plenary 2: Resilient Systems, Services & Infrastructure; and
Plenary 3: Resilient Communities.
Focus

• Need to shift the balance from investing in response, to investing in prevention, risk reduction, anticipatory approaches and resilience, at all levels.

• Will highlight the experience of island and coastal communities, particularly in the Pacific.

• Focus on local and inclusive solutions, harnessing the leadership of women, persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and youth.

• Opportunity to assess the progress in implementing the Sendai Framework and make future contributions and commitments.
Conference Format

• Opening ceremony with keynote address
• Live moderated plenaries (1.5 hours/4 panellists)
• 10 spotlight sessions (1 hour) on key issues
• ‘Meet the speaker’ after each plenary
• ‘Chat rooms’ on key issues/questions
• ‘Learning Labs’ (facilitated by UNDRR)
• Closed Ministerial Meeting (pre-recorded statements)
• Ignite Stage - TED Talks-style presentations
• Partner events advertised on website (hosted separately)
Plenary 1: Resilient Investment & Recovery

- Building resilience requires investment before a crisis.
- Need to embed disaster and climate risk management in national and local economic planning and investments.
- Public financing and fiscal policies must integrate prevention as a core priority.
- COVID-19 recovery process as an opportunity for resilient development

Two sub-themes:
- The need for smarter investment; and
- New opportunities for resilient recovery
Plenary 2: Resilient Systems, Services and Infrastructure

- Infrastructure must reduce risk and be disaster and climate resilient to protect investments and prevent loss of life.
- COVID-19 reinforced the need for resilient infrastructure to support social service delivery, including health and education.
- Not just protecting ‘hard’ infrastructure – also systems and people.
- Resilient business means critical services can reach those affected.
- Two sub-themes:
  - Planning for resilience; and
  - Resilient systems and infrastructure.
Plenary 3: Resilient Communities

- Disaster impacts felt immediately and intensely at the local level.
- Local actors are the first to manage risks and the first responders.
- Effective DRR strategies not only focus on vulnerable groups, but include and empower persons with disabilities, women and girls, youth and indigenous peoples in DRR planning.
- Enhance science-policy-practice linkages for better evidence, planning, decision-making and communication.
- Experiences of coastal and remote communities, including Pacific.

Two sub-themes:

- Inclusive DRR; and
- Risk knowledge and communication.
**Spotlight Sessions**

- Innovative financing
- Health and DRR
- The ‘new’ Build Back Better
- Small business resilience
- Resilient cities
- Women’s leadership
- Social protection
- Nature-based solutions
- Disability
- Local action in the Pacific
- Traditional knowledge
- Technology solutions for improved communication.
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