Webinar: Outcomes of the Belt and Road Ministerial Forum for International Cooperation in Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Management

Date and time

Thursday 20/01/2022

07:00 – 08:15 Minsk
11:00 – 12:15 Bangkok
12:00 – 13:15 Beijing
16:00 – 17:15 Suva

Registration

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Background

As one of the most ambitious infrastructure and investment plans ever conceived, the Belt and Road Initiative holds the potential to improve many lives for the better. More specifically, it represents a historic opportunity to generate the political and financial commitments needed to elevate and integrate disaster risk reduction (DRR) and resilience building into standard investment and business practices.

This commitment to DRR and the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction was on full display at the Belt and Road Ministerial Forum for International Cooperation in Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Management, which was held virtually on 3 November, 2021 and organized by the Ministry of Emergency Management of the People’s Republic of China.

The Forum hosted the leaders of emergency management of 19 countries and eight UN agencies, international and regional organizations. Moreover, the Forum saw the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and the launch of the Belt and Road International Cooperation Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Management. https://www.preventionweb.net/publication/belt-and-road-ministerial-forum-international-cooperation-disaster-risk-reduction-and

Objective

This event, co-organized by China’s Ministry of Emergency Management and the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), aims to increase awareness of the outcomes of the Forum and their implications for facilitating cooperation around disaster risk reduction.

Format

The event will be conducted as a Zoom webinar and will start with an introduction of the Belt and Road Ministerial Forum and its key outcomes, including the Beijing Declaration and the new International Cooperation Framework. This will be followed by commentary and analysis from experts and policy officials. The event will conclude with a questions and answers session.
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| Moderator                      | **Ms. Diana Patricia Mosquera Calle**  
Deputy Chief, Regional Office Asia-Pacific, UNDRR                     |                |
| Welcome remarks                | **Mr. Weimin Liu**  
Director-General, Department of International Cooperation and Rescue  
Ministry of Emergency Management (MEM), China                          | 3 min          |
| Welcome remarks                | **Mr. Marco Toscano-Rivalta**  
Chief, Regional Office Asia-Pacific UNDRR                               | 3 min          |
| Keynote remarks and presentation | **Mr. Weimin Liu**  
Director-General, MEM, China                                             | 20 mins        |
| Panellist 1                    | **Mr. Sanny Jegillos**  
Senior Advisor, Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience Building, UNDP Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific | 5 mins         |
| Panellist 2                    | **Mr. Tkachuk Dmitry**  
Head of the international cooperation  
Department of the Ministry for Emergency Situations, Belarus             | 5 mins         |
| Panellist 3                    | **Mr. Ma Norith**  
Deputy Secretary-General, National Committee for Disaster Management, Cambodia | 5 mins         |
| Panellist 4                    | **Col. Ariunaa Chadraabal**  
Head, Foreign Cooperation Division  
National Emergency Management Agency, Mongolia                          | 5 mins         |
| Panellist 5                    | **Prof. Saini Yang**  
Beijing Normal University, China  
UNDRR Asia-Pacific Scientific and Technical Advisory Group (AP-STAG)    | 5 mins         |
| Questions and Answers          | Moderated by **Ms. Diana Patricia Mosquera Calle**  
with questions from the audience submitted via Zoom Q&A function         | 10 mins        |
| Closing remarks | Mr. Weimin Liu  
Director-General, MEM, China | 3 min |