

UNISDR S&T Conference on the Implementation of the Sendai Framework

Provisional list of speakers (26 January 2016)

Opening Ceremony and Plenary Panel		
Moderator	Ms. Brigitte Leoni	Communication Officer, UNISDR
Panellist	Dr. Robert Glasser	Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, UNISDR
Panellist	H.E. Mr. Pichet Durongkaveroj	Minister of Science and Technology, Government of Thailand
Panellist	Ms. Stella Gama	Assistant Director of Forestry, Ministry of Natural Resources, Energy and Mining, Malawi
Panellist	Dr. Flavia Schlegel	Assistant Director-General for Natural Sciences, UNESCO
Panellist	Dr. José Rubiera	Director, National Forecast Center, Cuba
Work stream 1: Local, National, Regional and International Partnership		
Plenary introductory panel		
Moderator	H.E. Ms. Yvette Stevens	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Sierra Leone Permanent Representative to the UN in Geneva
Panellist	Prof. Noboru Takamura	Chairman, Department of Global Health, Medicine and Welfare, Nagasaki University, Japan
Panellist	Dr. Petteri Talaas,	Secretary General, WMO
Panellist	Hon. Zipporah Kittony	Senator and Vice-Chair of Health Committee, Kenya
Panellist	Prof. Rajib Shaw	Asian Science, Technology and Academia Partnership
WG 1: National and local levels networks and platforms		
Moderator	Major. Clive C. Davis	Major. Clive C Davis, Director General, Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
Speaker	Dr. Stuart Wainwright	Deputy Director, International Resilience, Civil Contingencies Secretariat, UK
Speaker	Prof. Toshio Koike	Japan Science Council and University of Tokyo
Speaker	Dr. David Applegate	Associate Director for Natural Hazards, USGS
Speaker	Ms. Rose Nakabugo Bwenvu	Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Department of Disaster Management Office of the Prime Minister, Uganda

WG 2: Regional science and technology networks and platforms

Moderator	Hon. Alejandro Maldonado Aguirre	Pro tempore Presidency, CEPREDENAC
Speaker	Mr. David Owino	Secretary-General, Disaster Risk Reduction Network of Africa Journalists (DIRAJ)
Speaker	Dr. Wadid Erian	Expert and Professor, League of Arab States (LAS)
Speaker	Ms. Virginia Jiménez Díaz	Coordinator LA RED, Latin America
Speaker	Mr. Philippe Quevauviller	Policy Officer, European Commission

WG 3: International science and technology networks and platforms

Moderator	Dr. Delilah Al-Khudhairy	Director of the Policy Support Coordination at European Commission Joint Research Center and UNISDR/STAG member
Speaker	Prof. Gordon McBean	President, ICSU
Speaker	Prof. Shuaib Lwasa	Professor at Makerere University, Uganda and chair of IRDR's Scientific Committee
Speaker	Dr. Simonetta Di Pippo	Director of the UN Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)
Speaker	Dr. Ye Qian	Executive Director of IRG Project on Future Earth, China

Work Stream 2: Understanding Disaster Risk, Risk Assessment and Early Warning

Plenary introductory panel

Moderator	Ms. Cristelle Pratt	Deputy Secretary General, Pacific Islands Forum, Fiji
Panellist	Dr. Ayse Sezin Tokar	Senior Hydro Meteorological Hazard Advisor, USAID
Panellist	Dr. Renato Solidum	Director, Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology
Panellist	Dr. Carlos Valdes Gonzalez	Director-General, CENAPRED, México
Panellist	Mr. Er. Shambhu KC	Joint Secretary, Physical Planning & Urban Development Division, Ministry of Urban Development, Government of Nepal

WG 1: Hazards and early warning

Moderator	Mr. Alasdair Hainsworth	Chief Disaster Risk Reduction Services Division, WMO
Speaker	Mr. Phil Evans	Government Services Director, UK Meteorological Office
Speaker	Ms. Irina Rafliana	Sociologist on Coastal Disaster Risks, Research Center for Oceanography (LIPI) and Research Associate, UNU-EHS
Speaker	Ms. Tania Maria Sausen	Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas Espaciais, Brazil

Speaker	Ms. Marie-Pierre Meganck	Responsable de la cellule Affaires européennes et internationales. Ministère de l'Écologie, du Développement durable et de l'Énergie, France
WG 2: Exposure and vulnerability		
Moderator	Mr. Ram Babu Singh	Representative of the Global Network of Science Academies (IAP)
Speaker	Mr. Ivan Petitville	Chair of the CEOS Working Group on Disasters, European Space Agency Coordination Office, Directorate of Earth Observation Programmes
Speaker	Mr. Er. Surya Narayan Shrestha	Deputy Director, National Society for Earthquake Technology (NSET), Nepal
Speaker	Mr. Massimo Ciotti	Head of Country Preparedness Support Section, European Center for Disease Control
Speaker	Prof. Kaoru Takara	Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Japan
WG 3: Risk assessment and management		
Moderator	Dr. John Schneider	Global Earthquake Model (GEM) Foundation and UNISDR/STAG member
Speaker	Prof. Peijun Shi	Executive Vice-President, Beijing Normal University
Speaker	Ms. Barbara Carby	Head, Disaster Risk Reduction Center, University of West Indies, Jamaica
Speaker	Dr. Jonathan Suk	Expert Emerging Threats and Preparedness at the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)
Speaker	Ms. Daniella di Bucci	Department of Civil Defence, Italy
Work Stream 3: Use of Science, Technology and Innovation Tool, Methods and Standards to Support the Implementation and Reporting of Sendai Framework		
Plenary introductory panel		
Moderator	Dr. Florika Fink-Hooijer	Director for Strategy, Policy and International Cooperation, Directorate General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection, European Commission
Panellist	Mr. Halldor Thorgeirsson	Director for Strategy, UNFCCC
Panellist	Mr. Henry Cuschieri	Technical Group Manager, ISO Central Secretariat
Panellist	Mr. Kimio Takeya	Distinguished Technical Advisor to the President Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
WG 1: Sharing standards, protocols and practices for data collection and reporting		
Moderator	Dr. Tom de Groot	Scientific Officer, European Commission Joint Research Centre

Speaker	Mr. Julio Serje	Programme Officer, UNISDR
Speaker	Ms. Gabriela Ehrlich	Global Head of Marketing & Communications, International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
Speaker	Mr. Ahmed Husein Abdulla	National HFA Focal Point, Bahrain

WG2: Generating, synthesising and sharing data and knowledge

Moderator	Prof. Yuichi Ono	Tohoku University, IRIDes
Speaker	Mr. José Manuel Iraheta	Comisión Económica para América Latina y El Caribe (CEPAL), México
Speaker	Ms. Michelle Forbes	Deputy Director, NEMO, St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Speaker	Dr. Robert Muir-Wood	Chief Research Officer at Risk Management Solutions
Speaker	Mr. Ricardo Penaherrera	Under-Secretary for Information and Risk Analysis, Risk Management Secretariat, Ecuador

WG3: Sharing, innovations to improve implementation and reporting

Moderator	Dr. Louis Gritzso	Vice President of Research, FM Global
Speaker	Dr. Jalal Al Dabbeek	Director of the Earth Science and Seismic Engineering Center
Speaker	Dr. Einar Bjorgo	Manager, UNOSAT, UN Institute for Training And Research (UNITAR)
Speaker	Dr. Osvaldo Luiz Leal de Moraes	Director, National Early Warning and Monitoring Center of Natural Disasters (CEMADEN), Brazil

Work Stream 4: Leveraging Science Through Capacity Development and Research

Plenary introductory panel

Moderator	Prof. Virginia Murray	Public Health England, UNISDR/STAG Vice-Chair and Chair of the Conference Organising Committee
Panellist	Dr. Karen Sudmeier-Rieux	Senior Researcher, University of Lausanne
Panellist	Prof. KyungHi Chang	Professor of Electronic Engineering and Chair of the Expert Committee of the Safe Net Forum, Korea
Panellist	Dr. Alfonso Fuentes Soria	General Secretary, Superior Council of Central America Universities (CSUCA)
Panellist	Mr. Mohammed Mukhier	Head of IFRC Community based DRR department, and acting USG for Programmes and Operations

WG 1: Leveraging science

Moderator	Mr. Alexandros Makarigakis	Programme Specialist, Section on Earth Sciences and Geo-Hazards Risk Reduction, Natural Sciences Sector, UNESCO
Speaker	Dr. Stephan Lechner	Director of the Institute for the Protection and the Security of the Citizen, European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC)
Speaker	Ms. Najla Romdhane	University of Tunis El Manar, Department of Civil Engineering, Tunisia

Speaker	Ms. Ulrike Decoeme	Head, AXA Research Fund
Speaker	Mr. Fadi Hamdan	Director, Disaster Risk Management Center, Lebanon
WG 2: Capacity development		
Moderator	Dr. Ailsa Holloway	Director, Research Alliance for Disaster and Risk Reduction (RADAR), Stellenbosch University
Speaker	Mr. Mahefasoa Randrianalijaona	Professeur, Université d'Antananarivo
Speaker	Dr. Helene Jacot des Combes	Coordinator, EV424 Disaster Risk Management Course
Speaker	Mr. Henning Hansen	President, International Federation of Environmental Health
Speaker	Dr. Fabrice Renaud	Head of the Environmental Vulnerability and Ecosystem Services Section, United Nations University, Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS)
WG 3: Research gaps		
Moderator	Dr. John Rees	British Geological Survey & Research Councils UK
Speaker	Mr. Eran Lederman	Head of Relevant Design For Disaster Research Group, Bezalel Academy, Israel
Speaker	Prof. Hirokazu Tatano	Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Japan
Speaker	Ms. Anne Garland	Applied Anthropology and Historical Ecology Research Associate, Applied Research in Environmental Sciences Nonprofit, Inc.
Speaker	Prof. Oyunsanaa Byambasuren	Head, Regional Central Asia Fire Management Resource Center (RCAFMRC), Mongolia
Closing Plenary Panel		
Moderator	Ms. Brigitte Leoni	Communication Officer, UNISDR
Panellist	Dr. Robert Glasser	Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, UNISDR
Panellist	Ms. Haddijatou Jallow	Executive Chairperson, Environment Protection Agency, Sierra Leone
Panellist	H.E. Mr. Wayne McCook	Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the United Nations Office in Geneva
Panellist	Ms. Ellika Hermansson Török	Senior Advisor, Resilience and Development Programme, Stockholm Resilience Center