

Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change

13:30-15:00 10 November 2016

Venue : UNESCO pavilion,
Civil Society Area in Green Zone, COP22



*UNESCO is organizing 2 sessions on Disaster Risk Reduction aiming to showcase concrete initiatives, lessons learned and issues to be addressed, and to **explore more effective solutions to harmonize Climate Change adaptation and disaster risk reduction measures through science and technology.***

Session 1 : Science & Technology and Policy making for Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Adaptation – essential linkage for comprehensive and effective policy harmonization

How to bring together science, policy, and practice? It is one of the key questions for enhancing disaster resilience. The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, adopted by UN General Assembly, indicates unprecedented emphasis on the role of science and technology in disaster risk reduction. It also calls for a paradigm shift through dedicated action to tackle underlying disaster risk drivers including gender issues, disabled people, migrants, etc being particularly affected by disasters. Climate change will aggravate the situation, and harmonizing efforts to improve disaster resilience and strengthen climate adaptation will become key. This session is to discuss how science and technology can maximize their impact to reducing disaster risks and losses and adapting to climate change in the context of a harmonized policy making process.

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Mr. Bob SAMORS (TBD), Future earth



Aerial view of the Sabu Bale Temple surrounded by high water after the 2009 floods in the Indus River. © Government of Pakistan

Session 2 on DRR and UNESCO designated sites starts from 15:10