

## **The Seventh Arab Partnership Meeting for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)**



**Dates: 23 and 24 May 2022**

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**Meeting Room: Jakarta AB Hall, Bali International Convention Centre (BICC)**

**Preparatory Meeting at 7<sup>th</sup> Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction**



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On the sidelines of the seventh session of the Global Platform (GP2022), the UNDRR Regional Office for the Arab States will organize the Seventh Arab Partnership Meeting for Disaster Risk reduction from 23 to 24 May 2022.

The (GP2022) will be organized and convened by the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) from 23 to 28 May 2022, in Bali, Indonesia, hosted by the Government of Indonesia. The event will be co-chaired by the Government of Indonesia and UNDRR.

The Arab Partnership Meeting for DRR and the Global Platform take place at a critical time, seven years from the adoption of the Sendai Framework and just over two years since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic when this global crisis has exposed how underlying vulnerabilities and inequities have catastrophic consequences for the most exposed across the world. Prevention and the risk reduction agenda are essential if we are to achieve a sustainable future for all.

### **Background:**

Following the Sendai Framework guidance, UNDRR Regional Office for Arab States has organized several coordination meetings with the aim of accelerating the implementation of the Sendai Framework in the region. The most recent declaration, the Rabat Declaration in 2021, which was adopted along with several stakeholder groups' voluntary action statements, came out as the result of a series of successful coordination meetings.

The aim of the biannual Arab Partnership for DRR meetings since 2017 has been to create a forum for technical and operational deliberation on the progress, challenges, and gaps in the implementation of the Sendai Framework in the region. Another key objective is to facilitate regional discussion on innovative solutions towards climate risk management and DRR integration in the SDGs in the Arab region. These periodic discussions on the implementation challenges, gaps and solutions intend to inform the deliberations of the Arab Regional Platform conferences.

For this meeting it is organized in alignment with the 2022 Global Platform and will provide a unique and timely opportunity to showcase the importance of international solidarity and cooperation, the Midterm Review (MTR) of the Sendai Framework stock take, identify emerging issues, uncover context shifts, and build coherence with other frameworks, to better address the systemic nature of risk and so realize regenerative and sustainable development. The MTR and political declaration adopted at this meeting can inform inter alia the SDGs Summit, the UN Secretary General's Summit for the future and the recommendations for our common agenda, and COP28, as well as to discuss ways to tackle underlying risk drivers both locally and globally. Additionally, it will explore how to strengthen disaster risk governance and how to build stronger systems for managing all types of risks revealing the outcomes of the Midterm Review of the Sendai framework that started in 2022 and will conclude in 2023 at a high-level meeting of the General Assembly.

The 2022 Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction provides a unique opportunity in the run up to the COP 27 to convene DRR and CCA experts to identify ways to scale up joint action to

reduce disaster risks and build resilience in the climate emergency. Both the COP 26 and the COP 27 Presidencies are committed to ensuring a transparent and inclusive process in the lead-up to COP 27 to be convened in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt from 7 – 18 November 2022. Ahead of the COP-27, significant initiatives are being implemented in Egypt, particularly in Sharm El-Sheikh, in partnership with a wide range of stakeholders, including efforts exerted towards making the city a resilience hub in Egypt.

The seventh Arab Partnership Meeting for Disaster Risk Reduction will be held on 23-24 May 2022 in **Jakarta AB Hall in the Bali International Convention Centre (BICC)**.

**The times in the table below are indicated the local time of Jakarta.**

<b>DAY 1 - May 23, 2022</b>	
<b>09:00 - 09:20</b>	<b>Opening Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Welcoming remarks</b> Presented by Mr. Ricardo Mena, Director, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)</li> <li>- <b>Opening Remarks by the Kingdom of Morocco.</b> Presented by the representative of the Government of Morocco and chair of the Fifth Arab Regional Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction</li> <li>- <b>Setting the Scene</b> Presented by Mr. Sujit Kumar Mohanty, Chief of Regional Office for Arab States, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)</li> </ul>
<b>09:20 - 09:35</b>	<b>From RP4DRR to GP4DRR: Updates from the region</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presented by Mr. Fadi Jannan, Deputy Chief of UNDRR Regional Office for Arab States</li> </ul>
<b>09:35 - 10:00</b>	<b>Roadmap towards the Arab States Prioritized Action Plan 2021-2024 Implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation by the Kingdom of Morocco of the outcomes of the Fifth Arab Regional Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction and Discussion of the proposed Implementation Plan for the Rabat Declaration</li> </ul>
<b>10:00 - 10:15</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:15 - 12:30</b>	<b>Progress / Way forward from Member States in alphabetical order on the Prioritized Action Plan 2021-2024 for Disaster Risk Reduction / Rabat Declaration (7 minutes each)</b>
<b>12:30 - 13:30</b>	<b>Update from Stakeholders on their progress in implementing their Voluntary Action Commitments and action plans (7 minutes each):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Arab Science and Technology Advisory Group for DRR (Arab – STAG)</li> <li>2- Arab Civil Society Group for DRR</li> <li>3- Red Cross Red Crescent National Societies Stakeholder Group for DRR (represented by IFRC)</li> <li>4- Arab Gender Equality and Women Empowerment for DRR</li> <li>5- Arab Children &amp; Youth Group for DRR</li> <li>6- Private Sector Alliance for Disaster Resilient Societies (ARISE)</li> </ol>
<b>13:30 - 13:40</b>	<b>Conclusion</b>

<b>DAY 2 - May 24, 2022</b>	
<b>09:00 - 09:10</b>	<b>Setting the scene for the second day</b> by United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction - Regional Office for Arab States
<b>09:10 - 09:40</b>	<b>Arab States Midterm (MTR) Review / Interim Report</b> Presentation of the Preliminary Finding Report on MTR of the Sendai Framework - Presented by UNDRR Regional Office for Arab States
<b>09:40 - 10:30</b>	<b>Open Discussion on MTR Interim Report to be submitted to GP</b>
<b>10:30 - 11:15</b>	<b>Roadmap towards the COP27</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- COP 27 Preparations Presented by the Government of Egypt (TBC)</li> <li>- Role of the UN in the preparations for COP27 Presented by Ms. Elena Panova, United Nations Resident Coordinator – Egypt</li> <li>- Integrating DRR into Climate Change Presented by Mr. Animesh Kumar, Head of UNDRR Office in Bonn.</li> </ul>
<b>11:15 - 11:30</b>	Break
<b>11:30 - 12:30</b>	<b>UNDRR Stakeholders Advocacy Achievements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Status of Science and Technology for DRR in the Arab Region – Arab STAG Presented by Arab STAG – (TBC)</li> <li>- Promoting community participation in Disaster Risk reduction measures in five Arab countries Presented by the Arab Civil Society Stakeholder Group (TBC)</li> <li>- Global Assessment Report on Disaster Risk Reduction / Floods In Sudan: Impacts and Risk Management Presented by Dr. Wadid Erian, SDG and DRR Senior Expert and Advisor to LAS</li> <li>- Open discussion</li> </ul>
<b>12:30 - 13:30</b>	<b>Arab States Resilience Progress on the Local Level</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- City Case Studies for a few cities (TBC)</li> <li>- Making Cities Resilient (MCR) 2030 in the Arab Region Presented by Rania Hammad, External Relations Officer for UNDRR ROAS</li> <li>- Open discussion</li> </ul>

<b>13:30 - 13:40</b>	<b>Briefing on the Seventh Session of the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction</b> Presented by Mr. Fadi Jannan, Deputy Chief of UNDRR Regional Office for Arab States
<b>13:40 - 14:00</b>	<b>Meeting Summary and next steps</b> Presented by UNDRR Regional Office for Arab States