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Resilience Action Planning - Implementing the Sendai Framework at the Local Level

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Type:	Course
Location:	Web-based
Date:	27 Feb 2017 to 2 Jun 2017
Duration:	14 Weeks
Programme Area:	Governance, , Local Development
Website:	https://unitar.org/dcp/
Price:	$100.00
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Partnership:	UNISDR

BACKGROUND

Over the past 20 years disasters have affected 4.4 billion people, caused USD 2 trillion of damage and killed 1.3 million people. Disasters have affected people living in developing countries and, in particular, the most vulnerable communities within these countries.

Particularly in the context of increased urbanization, urban risk continues to rise. The vulnerability of cities to disasters is growing especially as poor people settle in high-risk urban areas. Unfortunately, the planning and development of cities has given little consideration to the consequences of hazards such as earthquakes, hydro-meteorological risks and others. The implication of this reality is the need for countries to focus on creating a safer world for urban dwellers and developing a series of innovative approaches to build resilience.

On the basis of these needs, UNITAR has developed the e-learning course *Resilience Action Planning - Implementing the Sendai Framework at the local level*.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

This e-learning course aims to strengthen the capacities of government officials, especially those at the local level, and disaster management professionals to design and implement plans and programmes that reduce disaster risk and enhance resilience.

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Raise awareness about the Making Cities Resilient (MRC) Campaign;
- Identify initiatives and best practices on how to integrate disaster risk reduction and climate change adoption into urban planning;
- Assess the risk management situation in their cities by using a tool;
- Develop a safe and resilient country/city action plan;
- Analyze the purpose, the goals and the outcome of the HFA and the Sendai Framework for DRR

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

Content:

- Module 1: Disaster Risks Reduction Concepts and Introduction to Current Trends
- Module 2: Implementing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (2015-2030)
- Module 3: Introduction to Making Cities Resilient (MCR) Global Campaign and Campaign Tools

- Module 4: DRR Assessment and Analysis Tools
- Module 5: Mainstreaming DRR into Sectoral Programmes for Socio-Economic Development
- Module 6: Developing, Implementing, Monitoring and Evaluating Safe and Resilient Action Plans

METHODOLOGY

This 6 module course is based on UNITAR's sound adult learning pedagogical principles. The modules include interactive lessons that introduce the participant to the conceptual foundations of disaster risk reduction and urban resilience. Taking advantage of the opportunities of technology-enhanced learning, the learning materials are presented through various media, such as text, graphs, images and video material, which contribute to better retention and enhance the learning process.

Besides the interactive lessons, participants engage in a set of practical exercises, where they can apply the knowledge gained to a real-life situation. Collaborative activities and discussion forums are other core elements of the course, organized to create collective knowledge and to facilitate interaction and experience sharing. The course also includes formative exercises as well as quizzes. A moderator guides participants through all the learning activities.

TARGETED AUDIENCE

The course is open to city and local government officials, disaster management professionals, and representatives from academic and training institutions working on disaster risk reduction.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A certificate of completion will be issued to participants who achieve a minimum total score of 70%. A certificate of participation will be issued to participants who complete all mandatory activities but achieve a final score inferior to 70%.