











GPP Partner Agencies: Update on Activities - October 31, 2018

Documentation

An infographic version of the Links and Boundaries Document, highlighting connections and distinctions between the GPP and other DRR related initiatives has been finalised and is <u>available here</u>. Simplified visual depictions of DRR and preparedness activities simplify examining the distinctions, connections and potential synergies between selected preparedness and DRR initiatives. Also updated is the document outlining how preparedness supports the SDGs, to now include all 17 SDGs; it is <u>available here</u>.

Meetings

On October 14th the fifth V20 Ministerial Meeting took place in Bali, Indonesia (V20 Ministerial Dialogue V and 2nd V20 Dialogue High-Level Representatives of the G20). A Ministerial communique was adopted and can be found at: https://www.v-20.org/4th-v20-ministerial-communique-bali/ The GPP was mentioned in the communique; "Encouraged by the interest shown by V20 members in the Global Preparedness Partnership (GPP), a partnership between V20 and UN system partner agencies, we reiterate our call on international partners to ensure financial support towards the operational implementation and support for V20 members to reach a minimum level of disaster preparedness so that disaster events can be managed locally with reduced need for international assistance". This message highlights the urgent need for the GPP to find significant funding as soon as possible to support countries. A V20 Deputies/Senior Officials Meeting took place Saturday, October 13, and a Risk Focus Group Meeting, chaired by focal points from Barbados and the Philippines, also took place on 10 October. We await outputs from these meetings.

Partners: The GPP Secretariat again met individually with all core partners, and some core partners met bilaterally to discuss the options for going forward for the GPP in 2019. The 'options paper' previously developed is still under discussion. Discussions were held with FAO, WFP and UNDP teams in the Pacific and Asia, as well as briefings with the Japan Mission in Geneva, and the newly installed DFID head of resilience in London. Required steps for adapting the R2R Diagnostic Review Tool were discussed with partners in Geneva.

Country status

A scoping process will be going ahead in Vietnam, largely in the week of Nov 5th to 9th. Led by the Viet Nam Disaster Management Agency in partnership with FAO, an international and a national consultant will work together to undertake a light review of existing preparedness analysis and undertake key informant interviews culminating in a workshop for all stakeholders. The Maldives are planning a scoping process before the end of 2018, and Tunisia plan to have a scoping process in December. All interested stakeholders are welcome to join in these various county efforts. Please contact the Secretariat for National Focal Points.

Nepal has decided to not go ahead with their planned scoping process, and the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFAT) and RedR Australia have decided to not go ahead with their previously identified support for Pacific countries Kiribati and Republic of Marshall Islands. The RedR deployment previously advertised to support the NDMO in Samoa has also been cancelled, however a similar preparedness role has recently been developed by RedR / DFAT so the function of the role is being filled.

Upcoming events

The next GPP subcommittee meeting is planned for late November or December – the date is TBA.