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PDN user training in Fiji, 20 – 22 July 2010



The PDN-team conducted the first Pacific Disaster Net user training in Fiji this week, from Tuesday 20th to Thursday 22nd July 2010, in the professional lab of the new Japan Pacific ICT Center, USP Laucala Campus.

The purpose of the 2 ½ days long hands-on training with participants from the Fiji NDMO and other Government departments based in Suva was to develop a better understanding of the PDN, its content and functionalities as well as to promote a keenness to use the PDN on a daily basis. This training is the first of a series to be conducted during missions in other Pacific countries as well in line with content collection for Pacific Disaster Net from the NDMO's and other agencies.

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5080

Pacific leaders, youth express climate change fears

17 Jul 2009. The President of the Federated States of Micronesia says his country will disappear under rising seas, if developed countries don't take urgent action on global warming. Leaders of US affiliated Pacific islands are meeting in the Marshall Islands capital Majuro, with climate change one of the key issues on the agenda. Federated States of Micronesia President Emanuel Mori called on the region to support conservation programs, as a first step towards

continued survival. At a recent World Ocean Conference in Indonesia, island countries expressed fears that entire countries could vanish

[Canberra] : ABC, 2009. 1 p.

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/Pacific_leaders_youth_express.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5080.html>

URL : <http://abcasiapacificnews.com/story.htm?id=19801>

5081

ECOSOC side event briefing : resilient cities - disaster risk reduction in an urbanizing world

15/7/2010. The joint UNISDR, UN-HABITAT and IFRC side event on "Resilient Cities: Disaster Risk Reduction in an Urbanizing World" was held on the occasion of the 2010 ECOSOC Humanitarian segment on July 13, 2010 from 1:15 pm to 2:45 pm. The event discussed current initiatives related to urban risk reduction, in particular in Port-of-Prince, Tijuana and Kathmandu. Eminent speakers from Haiti, Mexico and Nepal highlighted the importance of reducing risk in the urban context. Rapid urban growth poses many challenges to city authorities and if not well managed, cities can become generators of new vulnerabilities increasing disaster risk

International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

New York : UN/ISDR, 2010. 4 p.

Download :

http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/ISDR_2010_ECOSOC_Resilient_cities_DRR_urban.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5081.html>

URL : <http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=14619>

5082

Community based adaptation to climate change bulletin : a summary of the second International workshop on community-based adaptation to climate change. Second international workshop on community-based adaptation to climate change : 24 - 28 February 2007

The second international workshop on community-based adaptation to climate change was held at the Radisson Water Garden Hotel in Dhaka, Bangladesh, from 24 - 28 February 2007. The workshop aimed to share the latest developments in community-based adaptation programmes, priorities and solutions with a view to integrating the lessons into national and international development programmes

Gutierrez, Maria. International Institute for Sustainable Development. (IISD Community Based Adaptation to Climate Change Bulletin ; 135.2007, 135)

New York : IISD, 2007. 11 p. : col. ill.

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/IISD_2007_CBACC_bulletin.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5082.html>

URL : <http://www.iisd.ca/download/pdf/sd/yimbvol135num1e.pdf>

5085

Yellow alert : taking action to prevent disasters. Oxfam impact : your support at work

Reports on the success of a joint project between Oxfam and Salvadoran partner PROCOMES (Asociacion de Proyectos Comunales de El Salvador), undertaken to educate communities on what to do in case of disaster. Highlighting that months of community education and preparation eventually saved lives when floods struck El Salvador, also calls for exposing the link between poverty and disasters and encourages to watch a two-minute video on the subject

Stevens, Elizabeth. Oxfam America

Boston : Oxfam America, 2010. [2 p.].

Download :

http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/Oxfam_2010_Yellowalert_takingaction_prevent.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5085.html>

URL : http://www.preventionweb.net/files/14633_oxfamamericaimpactapril20101.pdf

5086

Met office UK : Google Earth zooms in on dangerous climate change

A new interactive Google Earth map showing the impacts of a 4 degree warmer world was launched today by the Government, in partnership with the Met Office. Pushing the barriers with Google Earth technology, the multi platform, interactive map highlights some of the changes that may occur if the global average temperature rises by 4 degree above the pre-industrial climate average

Exeter, Devon : Met Office, 2010. 2 p.

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/Met_office_UK_google_earth.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5086.html>

URL : <http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=14630&a=email>

5087

Making cities resilient : my city is getting ready! ; update 1. Update 1 - making cities resilient campaign : Geneva, 21 July 2010

Making Cities Resilient Campaign Update 1. Making cities resilient: my city is getting ready. World Disaster Reduction Campaign 2010 - 2011. This is the first in a series of newsletters, which is sent out by the Resilient Cities Campaign in order to inform partners, cities and institutions about the progress of the campaign. This initial update will cover news of the campaign, however in the future encourage everyone to send updates and activities to be included on the website and in the monthly newsletter

International Strategy for Disaster Reduction. (ISDR Making Cities Resilient Campaign Update ; 1)

Geneva : UN/ISDR, 2010. 7 p.

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/ISDR_2010_Update1_Partners_cities.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5087.html>

5088

Enhancing urban resilience against disasters can spur development

12 Jul 2010. Dozens of cities have signed on to a United Nations initiative to boost their resilience against natural hazards, which, according to a senior official with the world body, can accelerate progress towards achieving development targets. So far, 58 cities have joined the campaign, entitled "Making Cities Resilient: "My City is Getting Ready", which was launched in May and calls on leaders and local governments to commit to a 10-point checklist

United Nations

[New York] : [UN], 2010. 2 p.

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/UN_2010_Enhancing_urban_resilience.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5088.html>

URL : <http://www.preventionweb.net/english/professional/news/v.php?id=14589&a=email>

5089

Protection in natural disasters

It highlights that preparing for, responding to and recovering from natural disasters is as much about human rights as about delivery of relief items and logistics

Ferris, Elizabeth. (RSC Forced Migration Review ; 35)

[Oxford, UK] : Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford, 2010. p. 58 [1 p.] : col. ill.

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/Brookings_2010_protection_disasters.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5089.html>

URL : <http://www.fmreview.org/disability/FMR35/58.pdf>

5090

How to stop buildings becoming killers in disasters

Measures ranging from simply attaching shutters to windows to embedding steel bars in new structures can stop buildings from killing their occupants in natural disasters and should be used more widely, experts say. Architects and disaster specialists note that poor construction in Haiti was a major reason why so many people - probably more

than 300,000 according to the president - died when a 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck the impoverished nation in January. "You don't need to be helpless, you can build safer, you can build better to reduce both the financial cost but of course also the life (cost)," said Margareta Wahlstrom, the U.N. Secretary-General's special representative for disaster risk reduction

Dmitracova, Olesya

London : Reuters Alert Net, 2010. 1 p.

Download :

http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/Reuters_2010_to_stop_building_becoming_killers.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5090.html>

URL : http://www.alertnet.org/db/an_art/60725/2010/02/19-132050-1.htm

5091

Managing disaster risks for world heritage. World Heritage Resource Manual

The manual focuses on one approach to the principles, methodology and process for managing disaster risks at cultural and natural World Heritage properties. It represents another step in the capacity-building activities carried out by the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) to help protect World Heritage sites

UNESCO

Rome : UNESCO, 2010. 66 p. [69 p.]. Appendix I-V : p. 58-66 Ref. : p. 64-66

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/ICCROM_2010_managing_disaster_risks.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5091.html>

URL : http://www.preventionweb.net/files/14614_188562e1.pdf

5092

Overcoming social barriers to adaptation. ODI Background note : July 2010

The influence of social barriers to adaptation using insights drawn from fieldwork in rural subsistence communities in western Nepal, and findings from a related ODI project in rural India. It explores the role of social institutions in determining how individuals adapt to climate stress and shock, and examines how restrictive cultural environments can limit successful adaptation. It concludes by providing recommendations for adaptation policy interventions that seek to recognise, address and overcome social barriers to adaptation

Jones, Lindsey. Overseas Development Institute

London : ODI, 2010. 7 p. Ref. : p. 7

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/ODI_2010_overcomig_socialbarriers.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5092.html>

URL : http://www.preventionweb.net/files/14667_49451.pdf

5093

Focused action : priorities for addressing climate change in Asia and the Pacific

Poverty reduction in Asia and the Pacific will not be possible without proactive efforts to mitigate the causes of global warming and help the region especially its most vulnerable citizens in both rural and urban settings, the poor, women, children, and the elderly adapt to the impacts of climate change. In response to the dire social and economic consequences predicted to result from climate change especially for the most vulnerable populations in developing countries policy makers around the world are working toward a new long-term international framework to address this global challenge

Asian Development Bank

[Manila] : ADB, 2010. 10 p. : col. ill.

Download : http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/original/ADB_2010_climatechangepriorities.pdf

HTML Link : <http://www.pacificdisaster.net/pdnadmin/data/documents/5093.html>

URL : http://www.preventionweb.net/files/14675_climatechangepriorities1.pdf

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This list is available for download under <http://www.pacificdisaster.net:8080/Plone/development> .

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