

# Overview of Regional Stocktaking and Mapping of Disaster Risk Reduction Interventions in Asia and the Pacific

## Initiative of the ISDR Asia Partnership

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## Background

At the September 2007 meeting of the IAP, **Stocktaking was identified by the IAP members as one of the 8 priority functions**

At the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Expanded IAP held during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ministerial Meeting, November 2007 in New Delhi, a **Working Group was established for the initiative** and ADB expressed interest to support it.

Concept note prepared by UN/ISDR with inputs from IAP members and submitted to ADB.

Project started from February 2009

Reporting on this at IAP meeting, September, 2008, Kuala Lumpur and March 2009, Bangkok



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## Importance of this IAP initiative

Regional Stocktaking and Mapping of DRR Interventions would **contribute** to:

- Improved **regional planning and programming** on DRR
- Highlight **areas of cooperation** among regional and sub-regional organisations
- Add to the **periodic progress reviews and reporting processes** at regional and sub-regional levels
- Assist **donors and decision-makers to channel resources and efforts** that can meet their own policy and programmatic imperatives

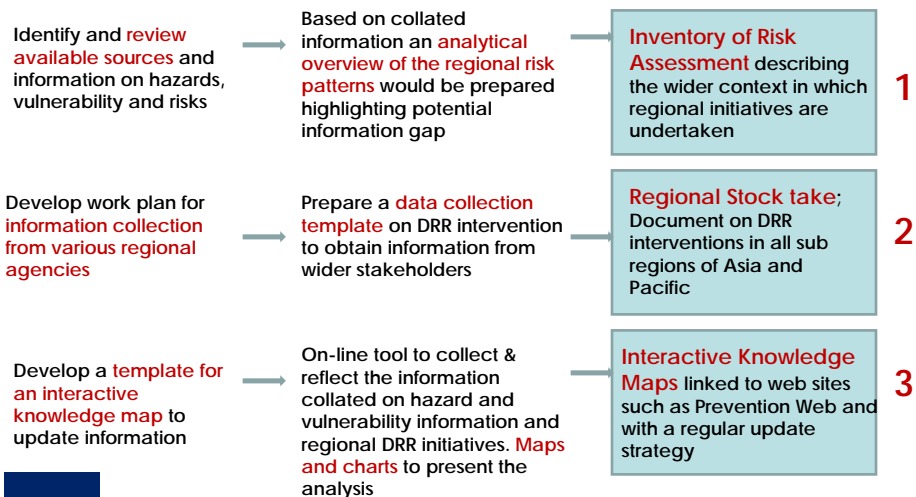
Why IAP?

- IAP acts as the **inter-agency forum supporting the functions** of the Asia Regional Platform on DRR
- As a **regional coordination mechanism** is an appropriate vehicle to assist coherent regional strategy setting, and programming and progress reviews through improved information exchange.



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## Expected Outputs



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## Beneficiaries

The primary beneficiaries of the initiative will be:

- **National DRR stakeholders;** national governments, UN agencies, research institutions, universities, private sector and donor agencies
- **Regional stakeholders** in DRR such UN Agencies, inter-governmental organizations, research and technical organizations, NGOs and in particular the IAP members

Will benefit by receiving more **coherent regional assistance and greater clarity on the type of support** that may be able to access from the regional level to achieve their DRR goal

Results of the project will help in **enhanced regional planning, programming and cooperation.**



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## Importance of this IAP initiative

It would help the countries and stakeholders in knowing:

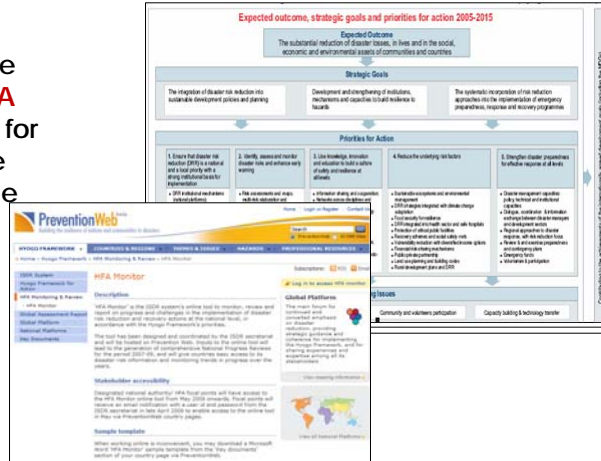
- Who are the **partners** involved in DRR?
- What are they working on (**Thematically**)?
- Where are they working (**Geographical coverage**)?
- Which **geographical areas** needs more level of intervention considering its level of risk?
- Which thematic area should receive more focus?
- Which all **initiatives** from other sub-regions **we could learn from**?
- In **which geographical area** more **financial resources** are being put in? Where not?
- In **which thematic area** there is more **partners involved**? Which all needs stronger partnership?
- In **which area** (**geographical/thematic**) **we can partner** with others to scale up?



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# Framework

The analytical framework of the stocktaking will be **guided by the HFA** and its 5 priorities for action and by the **Indicators** as in the **HFA Monitor**



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# Methodology-Building on past efforts

Stocktaking and Mapping initiatives are **NOT NEW** to Asia or Pacific

## Principles for data collection

- **Broad and inclusive** overview of the information on DRR and related initiatives
- Recording of information in **neutral and uncontroversial** manner
- **Building on and adding to the existing** stocktaking and mapping initiatives
- Adopting a **user friendly approach** to encourage participation for information sharing and access
- **Development of a sustainable tool** which will serve to update information periodically in the region
- **Focus on regional initiatives**

## Past and ongoing efforts on Risk Assessment

1. Global Risk Identification Programme (GRIP)
2. DesInventar in 5 Asian Countries by UNDP
3. Risk Assessment Analysis for Asia Pacific by UNOCHA
4. Disaster events database by ASEAN
5. Hazard and Vulnerability Atlas by Pacific Disaster Center

## Past and ongoing initiative on stocktaking and databases

1. Pacific Disaster Net (SOPAC)
2. Overview of DRR in Asia and Pacific (ISDR, ADPC and ADRC)
3. IRP Database
4. CBDRM Database (ADPC)
5. Prevention Web (ISDR system)
6. WWW, Indonesia (UNDP)



*This project will build on these efforts and learn from their strengths and shortcomings*



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## Implementation mechanism

- Regional Stocking and Mapping is being implemented under the **auspices of the IAP and the Asian Regional Platform**

-Implementation is guided by a **Project Steering Committee** comprised of the members from IAP working group on regional stocktaking and mapping ; ADB, ADPC, ADRC, IFRC, OCHA , UNDP, UN/ISDR, WB, SOPAC

-Project steering committee is **chaired by UN/ISDR**

-Working under the close guidance of the IAP, **ADPC as a technical agency is the executing agency on behalf of the IAP**

-ADPC is working with ISDR Regional Office with weekly meeting between the both

-ADPC will monitor the activities through regular progress reports

### Purpose of PSC

- Overall guidance, technical and advisory support to the EA;
- Monitoring project implementation and progress;
- Taking decisions on project direction;
- Sharing progress reports and results with the wider IAP;
- Establishing linkages with information providers and other key stakeholders that need to be involved;
- Contribute own information to the stocktaking initiative; and
- Capture and disseminate lessons learned.



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## Implementation mechanism

- **1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the PSC** Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> of April, 2009 in Bangkok

- Meeting chaired by UN/ISDR and attended by ADB, ADPC, ADRC, IFRC, SOPAC, UN/ISDR and UNOCHA

- **ToR of the PSC** finalized

- Meeting reported the progress till date and inputs on implementation plan

### ToR of PSC

- Attached as the annex to the ToR of IAP Working Group on Stocktaking and Mapping and responsible for guiding implementation of this particular initiative of the IAP
- Confirms the membership of PSC namely: ADB, ADPC, ADRC, IFRC, SOPAC, UN/ISDR, UN/OCHA, UNDP and WB
- Purpose of PSC, Secretariat and Frequency of Meeting
- Tenure- February 2009-July 2010



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## System Monitoring and Sustainability

- Long term tool
  - Identify **gaps in DRR** (geographic and thematic)
  - **Program synergy** in national and provincial programs
  - **Harmonized work plans** at the Regional and National (?) level
- Interactive knowledge map (long term tool) owned and maintained by ISDR System in Asia Pacific
- Continued hosting and maintenance by Prevention web (ISDR), UNESCAP, UNDP BCPR, ADRC, ADPC, UNOCHA, SOPAC
- Presentation and utilization by Regional Meetings for reporting and periodic work plans; AMCDRR, IAP, UNESCAP, RCC, ACDR



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## Key considerations for successful implementation of the initiative

- Regional stocktaking and inventory of risk profile is meant to **support the National systems**
- Though the focus is on Regional Actors, this should be **linked to the national system**
- In the long run **effective National risk profile and stocktaking is the key**
- Current resources do not permit focus at the national level. Subsequent phases can look into national level.
- Should feed into the **Global and Regional Assessment Report/s**