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“Integrated Disaster Risk Science: A Tool for Sustainability”
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About IRDR

ICSU, ISSC, and the UNISDR have created a major international programme – Integrated Research on Disaster Risk (IRDR) – that seeks to address the challenges posed by natural and human-induced environmental hazards. The complexity of the task is such that it requires nothing less than the full integration of the natural, social, health, and engineering sciences. This, coupled with socio-economic analysis, understanding the role of communications, and understanding public and political response in risk reduction, takes IRDR beyond approaches that have traditionally been undertaken.

Description

Led by its 15-Member Science Committee (SC), the IRDR Programme, in partnership with the CAST, will host its second Integrated Research on Disaster Risk Conference at the Beijing International Convention Center (BICC) in Beijing, China, from 7-9 June 2014.

Under the theme, *Integrated Disaster Risk Science: A Tool for Sustainability*, IRDR Conference 2014 will place emphasis on the importance of science as a tool to address hazard risks and issues of sustainable development.

This will be accomplished through a series of plenaries and break-out sessions dealing with the challenges of implementing integrated disaster risk research, inter-organizational collaboration and policy, as well as the interaction with sustainable development activities.

We are expecting over 300 participants from over 40 countries, from a variety of disciplines, policy and practice areas. Confirmed speakers include:

- Ms. Margareta Wahlström, the United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction and Head of the UNISDR;
- Senator Loren Legarda, UNISDR Regional Champion for Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaption for Asia and the Pacific;
- Professor Yuan Tseh Lee, President of the ICSU and Nobel Laureate;
- Kathleen Koch, an award-winning broadcast journalist with 18 years of experience in CNN. Kathleen Koch is also the author of the book “Rising from Katrina” which was named Best Non-fiction in the Southeast Region in the 2011 Independent Publisher Book Awards;
- Dr Virginia Murray, Head of Extreme Events and Health Protection, Public Health England.

IRDR Conference 2014 will bring together leading experts in the field of disaster risk reduction from all academic and professional specialities to help create a “global IRDR community,” and bring continued worldwide attention to the IRDR Programme.

For more information about the Conference visit <http://www.irdrinternational.org/conference/>.

Conference Agenda

Date: June 7- 9, 2014

Venue: BICC, Beijing International Convention Center, 北京国际会议中心

Date	Morning	Afternoon
Saturday, June 7	Opening/Keynote Addresses, Plenary Sessions	<p style="text-align: center;">Breakout Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing Risk • Community Disaster Reduction • Risk Interpretation and Action (RIA) • Forensic Investigations of Disasters (FORIN) • Risk Reduction and Sustainable Development • Integrated Risk Sciences • Empowering Local Officials • Risk Reduction Planning
Sunday, June 8	Plenary Sessions	<p style="text-align: center;">Breakout Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science and National Politics • Vulnerable Populations • Science Communication • Capacity Building • Science and the Post-2015 Natural Hazard Agenda • ISSC's World Social Science Fellows Panel • The Gap Between Disaster Knowledge, Policy and Practice (session by the Society for Applied Anthropology (SFA) Topical Interest Group on Disasters) • Data and Technology
Monday, June 9	Plenary Sessions	<p style="text-align: center;">Breakout Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transformation and Risk Management • Water and Disasters • The Committee on Data for Science and Technology (CODATA) Panel • Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) and the Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (CAS-TWAS) Panel

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