

Side Event of G20 Development Working Group

“Prospects on Achieving Disaster Risk Reduction Agenda”

February 19, 2018

Following the Buenos Aires Summit, Japan has succeeded the G20 Presidency from Argentina in December, 2018. On the 28th and 29th of June 2019, Japan will host its first ever G20 Summit in Osaka. Towards the Summit, the Japanese government is determined to carry out strong leadership in advancing discussions towards resolving the issues facing the international community.

In recent years, natural hazards such as floods, landslides and droughts have been accelerated all over the world due to climate change. At the G20 Buenos Aires Summit in 2018, they recognised the importance of comprehensive adaptation strategies, including investment in infrastructure that is resilient to extreme weather events and disasters.

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 (Sendai Framework), Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and Paris agreement have created significant opportunity to build coherence across mutually reinforcing policy areas in the international community. The notion of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, “Leave no one behind”, should be reflected on all DRR policies, strategies, plans and actions. Effective DRR requires an “inclusive, all-of-society approach”, in which the views of people in vulnerability such as women, children, elderlies and persons with disabilities are reflected.

In this context, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (MOFA) will co-organize a Side-Event entitled “Prospects on Achieving Disaster Risk Reduction Agenda” with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in the margins of the Second G20 Development Working Group (DWG) meeting.

The main objectives of the Side Event are as follows;

- To enhance the coherence between the Sendai Framework, the SDGs and the Paris Agreement.
- To explore further innovative actions that G20 member states and international organizations can take to achieve these agenda.
- To reaffirm the importance of multiple efforts including inclusiveness, formulation of National and Local DRR Strategies (Plans), steady DRR investment, and BBB.
- To come up with a summary paper to provide substantive inputs for the G20 process.
- The outcome would contribute to upcoming discussions at international fora such as G20 as well as Global Platform for DRR 2019 and TICAD7.

We are delighted to invite interested people to this side event.

For the participation, please refer to the following information.

Date: 13 March 2019
Place: Room Ambio, Hilton Tokyo Bay
Fee: English and Japanese (with simultaneous interpretation)
Application: Please fill in the [Application Form](#) for participation and submit it to us at g20dwg-se@mofa.go.jp by 17:00 on Sunday 10 March, 2019 (Japan time).

Agenda (Draft)

13:00-14:00 Arrival and Registration

14:00-14:25 Opening session

Opening remarks: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (MOFA)

Keynote speech “Coherence between the SDGs, the Paris Agreement, and the Sendai Framework for DRR” : United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)

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14:25-15:25 Session 1 : Multiple efforts for DRR

Speakers:

- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- Uganda
- EU

Panelists : Speakers etc.

Moderator: UNISDR

15:25-16:25 Session 2 : Importance of DRR investment and Build Back Better(BBB)

Speakers:

- Dr. Muneta Yokomatsu, Associate professor of Kyoto University
- Mr.Futoshi Toba, The mayor of Rikuzentakata city
- Indonesia

Panelists : Speakers etc.

Moderator: MOFA

16:25-16:50 Coffee Break

16:50-17:50 Session 3 : Achieving for Target E of the Sendai Framework for DRR

Speakers:

- Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
- Ecuador
- Vietnam

Panelists : Speakers etc.

Moderator: JICA

17:50-18:00 Closing :

Closing remarks: MOFA