Conference Opportunity: Ignite Stage

The ignite stage provides a platform to engage, inspire change, share and learn so we can all accelerate disaster risk reduction and build greater resilience. With 15 minutes to present, talks are organised using the presentation style of your preference.

Objectives

- Provide interactive knowledge exchange drawing on multiple media formats including oratory, artistic performance, audio visual and multi-media content that highlights the importance of the goal and themes of the conference.
- Give voice to a diverse range of stakeholders across the Asia-Pacific region to ensure a wide range of views and concerns are represented in the conference.
- Provide delegates with the opportunity to further explore discussions from key conference sessions through follow up interviews and interactive sessions with key speakers.

Approach

Ignite stage sessions will be 15 minutes long, held throughout APMCDRR 2024 and will be organised around the three conference thematic pillars. Proposals are sought from a diverse range of groups who want to showcase their work as it relates to the conference agenda and objectives.

A key focus will be on ensuring that the presentations are interactive and creative. Proposals that embrace creative approaches such as PechaKucha (a storytelling approach), freeform presentations (similar format to TedTalks) and practical demonstrations of products and practices are highly encouraged.

Speakers will cover their own travel and accommodation costs and organise the transport of any material they wish to bring.

Selection Process

Proposals will be reviewed by representatives from the Government of the Philippines and UNDRR for final selection. Every effort will be made to ensure a variety of topics linked to the conference themes are showcased.

The following criteria will be used in the selection process:

- **Relevance of the theme/issue addressed** to the APMCDRR 2024 themes and cross-cutting issues.
- **Format**: Interactive discussion; innovative approaches to experience sharing and knowledge creation would be prioritized.
- **Interesting**: Is the proposal or topic interesting, does it present an issue in a new light or offer new solutions?
- **Breadth** of thematic pillars /cross-cutting enablers showcased.
- **Breadth of representation**: Where possible, organisations, countries and stakeholder groups should not be given more than one slot.
• **Experience and expertise of facilitators** recognized within the field.
• **Timing**: Capacity of the organizers to achieve their objectives in the time allocated.

Proposals with consortia, networks and/or alliance will be welcome but not necessary for an ignite stage presentation if compliant with the above criteria.

**Applications for all opportunities close 11.59pm (GMT+7) on 31 May 2024. Applicants will be advised if successful within four to six weeks from the close of applications.**