Conference Opportunity: Learning Lab

The learning lab is a dedicated space to actively share good practices and learn from each other on innovative approaches for implementing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030. The labs will facilitate small groups of peer-to-peer learning.

Objectives

- Increase knowledge and skills of participants on a specific disaster risk reduction tool, concept, approach, or good practice.
- Promote and share good practices and experiences by connecting practitioners across the region.

Approach

The learning labs will offer informal learning sessions that will run throughout the conference. Sessions will last up to 90 minutes and provide facilitated opportunities on specific topics relevant to the APMCDRR 2024 themes.

A small-scale setting of 20-30 participants will provide a conducive environment for peer-to-peer learning and the sharing of knowledge and experiences. Sessions should focus on teaching and interacting with participants and facilitating their learning of a particular tool, concept, approach or good practice.

Learning labs are not to be used as a stakeholder consultation session or to focus solely on promoting the achievements or presenting programme initiatives of specific organisation(s), individuals or countries.

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

Selection Process

Proposals to host learning labs will be reviewed by the Government of the Philippines and UNDRR. Applications demonstrating innovative and creative learning techniques and topics will be prioritised. Every effort will be made to ensure a variety of topic and facilitators.

The following criteria will be used in the selection process:

- **Innovation of teaching methodology**: Interactive discussion; innovative approaches to experience sharing and knowledge creation would be prioritized.
- **Relevance of the topic** to the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 and/or APMCDRR 2024 pillar themes or cross-cutting enablers.
- **Timing**: Capacity of the organizers to achieve their objectives in the time allocated.
- **Breadth of representation**: Where possible, organisations, countries and stakeholder groups should not be given more than one learning lab.
- **Breadth of thematic pillars /cross-cutting enablers showcased**.
- **Breadth of target audience**: Where possible, a variety of audience should be targeted.
Reporting

Following the learning lab, facilitators must submit a summary to the APMCDRR Secretariat of no more than 150 words of the event with a list of attendees (disaggregated by gender).

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.