



ASIA-PACIFIC MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON
Disaster Risk Reduction
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Official Statements

General Information

The Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (APMCDRR) will be hosted by the Australian Government and convened by the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) in Brisbane, Australia from 19 to 22 September 2022.

APMCDRR is the Asia-Pacific mechanism to assess progress on the implementation of the Sendai Framework and strengthen cooperation to reduce disaster risk. Participants include ministers, government officials, representatives of the private sector, science and academia, not-for-profits, civil society, and vulnerable groups.

As the Asia-Pacific is the most disaster-prone region in the world, the Ministerial Conference provides a key opportunity to enhance efforts to prevent new and reduce existing risks, and for countries and organisations to review progress against the Sendai Framework. This is particularly relevant as the APMCDRR will occur during the Midterm Review of the Sendai Framework, thus providing countries with an opportunity to focus on areas where action must be accelerated.

Official statements for APMCDRR should be submitted via UNDRR-apmcdrr-statements@un.org.

Kindly use your official letterhead for the statement and you may submit the document in PDF format from now until **5 September 2022**.

Who can submit a statement?

Member States and representatives of stakeholder groups, such as the United Nations, international or regional organizations, are invited to provide a written statement focusing on progress made in the implementation of the Sendai Framework, disaster risk reduction and best practices of the country or the organization they represent. Please note that only persons authorized to speak on behalf of a specific Member State, stakeholder group, international or regional organization, can submit a statement. UNDRR will liaise with the person submitting the statement in unclear cases to confirm identity and mandate. The statements will be made public on the APMCDRR website and will not be presented during the Conference.

Statement content

The APMCDRR provides an important opportunity for member states to share and learn about innovative and practical solutions, and to review risk reduction efforts, particularly drawing upon their findings of the Sendai Framework Midterm Review. Such findings will inform the Sendai Framework Midterm Review high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly in New York on 18 and 19 May 2023.

Representatives of Member States and stakeholder groups are invited to consider the following questions when preparing their statements:

- **Where does your country/organisation stand in the implementation of the Sendai Framework?**
 - Are you on track to reach the expected outcomes, goals and targets of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction by 2030?
 - How is your country/organization contributing to enhancing policy coherence between disaster risk reduction, climate change adaptation and sustainable development?
- **How is your country or organization ensuring that disaster risk reduction efforts are inclusive?**
 - What steps have you put in place to ensure that no one is left behind? Do you have any examples?
- **How can we further advance towards the achievement of the goal of the Sendai Framework by 2030?**
 - What would be the priorities your country or organization will focus on?
 - Which are the key areas of progress and success, and which are the areas where concerted action needs to be accelerated?
- **How can we accelerate progress?**
 - What are some opportunities to strengthen national and regional action to achieve our shared disaster risk reduction objectives?
 - What are the key challenges to be faced and how should we work to overcome them?

Format

Delegations are invited to present official statements through a written statement in English of **maximum 2000 words**. Kindly use your official letterhead for the statement and you may submit the document in PDF format.

Official statements will be shared on the [APMCDRR website](#) and on the conference app from 19 September 2022.

Delegations are encouraged to submit their statements to UNDRR-apmcdrr-statements@un.org as soon as possible, and no later than **5 September 2022**.

Contact us

For further information related to official statements please contact UNDRR-apmcdrr-statements@un.org.