

Concept Note

Development of the Sendai Framework "Words into Action" Implementation Guide for Land Use and Urban Planning

Topic	Land use and urban planning
Proposed Target stakeholder	1- Local government leaders, mayors, city managers2- Urban planners3- Schools of architecture, planning and urban development
Proposed Priority Focus	Identification of an effective risk-sensitive urban planning and development process - from data collection and planning to implementation - and strategies for capacity development for urban and risk management professionals are the two proposed priority areas for this guide.
Reason for priority	Various types and scales of urban plans, from territorial to land-use zoning, can help to protect environmentally sensitive areas, reduce vulnerability and disaster risk, mitigate climate change and increase resilience. However, to be effective, risk-sensitive urban planning and development process should consider multiple steps from data collection to plan design and its implementation in a sustainable time-period. This guide should identify these steps while taking into consideration both the achievements and inadequacies in the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action from 2005 to 2015. Urban and risk management professionals working in various stages of risk-sensitive urban planning and development should be aware of each other's fields. Urban planners and designers, architects, civil engineers and the construction workforce should have training and education on risk-sensitive planning and construction. Strategies for developing such training and education programs can be identified in this guide.
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