2022 Regional Humanitarian Partnership Week

Operating across riskscapes

Dates 9th-14th December 2022

Hosted by: ADRRN, CWSA, ICVA and OCHA Expression of Interest form

A. Background

The environment humanitarian actors are operating in the Asia-Pacific region continues to be further complicated by climate change, political instability, economic downturn and shrinking humanitarian space.

This year's Regional Humanitarian Partnership Week will focus on how we can navigate through these contexts to ensure the best delivery of assistance to those most in need. It will draw on the expertise of practitioners, advocates, academics, donors and other related partners.

Each day will have a different theme which participants can use to provoke discussion, highlight solutions/resources, lessons learned and good practices, and collaborations, being undertaken to address some of the most complicated issues we face in the region. The topics are the following:

- 1. 9th- December- Humanitarian Conference, CHS regional consultation and launch of the State of the Humanitarian System Report
- 2. 12TH December- the Nexus of DRR/humanitarian and Climate Change adaptation
- 3. 13th December- Operating in fragile and conflict-affected contexts and accountability to affected populations
- 4. 14th- December- Developing effective partnerships (half a day)

Participants are also encouraged to bring along any publications or your organisations' material you would like to share with other participants. There will be a table for display.

B. Format:

The meeting will be face to face but some speakers may be online and we will look at streaming events in the main hall.

C. Speakers/Audience:

CSOs, NGOs, UN, Academics/Think Tanks, Donors, Private sector who are working to address humanitarian need in the region

D. Registration of Participation:

If you intend to participate in the event please register here https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/icvaasiapacific

Please note that costs related to attendance will be at the expense of the participant unless notified otherwise.

E. Application process to organize a session:

- If you would like to organize a session during partnership week you will need to submit an expression of interest form by the 30th of September https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RHPW2022.
- The sessions should relate to one of the themes below. Some questions have been provided as guidance to the theme.
- Sessions can be in a range of formats, panel discussions, demonstrations, roundtables, debate etc. be creative!
- Sessions can be organised by anyone but variety in the type of speakers and collaborations are encouraged
- Sessions may be relevant across the days but please note down which day you would prefer your session to be linked to.
- There are a limited number of slots so only the selected expressions of interest will be notified.
- Sessions will run in parallel

Themes

The following are some catalyst questions to help you consider the type of sessions you may like to organise:

1. Day 1: The Nexus of DRR/humanitarian/ and Climate Change adaptation

- How can we work together to address the impact of climate change comprehensively?
- How do we finance solutions to address the impacts of climate change?
- What role can Anticipatory Action play?
- How do we adapt to respond more effectively to slow and sudden onset hazards, in the context of climate change?
- What is the intersection between conflict and climate in the Asia Pacific?
- How do we ensure our approaches are guided by indigenous and local knowledge?

2. Day 2: Operating in fragile and conflict-affected contexts and accountability to affected populations

- How to provide humanitarian support in hostile environments
- How to respond to the different drivers of displacement in the region?
- How to better prepare for multiple and cascading risks?
- What is the role of protection in response?
- Safeguarding in the region? What is needed?
- Are we putting people at the centre of our approaches?

3. Day 3: Developing effective partnerships

- What does good partnership in humanitarian settings look like?
- What partnerships or collaborations are needed during a crisis?
- How can research contribute to humanitarian outcomes?

- How to share risk in response?
- How can financing support the principles of partnership?
- What is the role of the private sector in humanitarian partnerships?
- Innovative partnerships and ecosystem/collective impact?

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