Plenary Discussion

HELP Flagship Initiatives

Eleventh Meeting of HELP
3 May 2018
HELP Action Strategy II
Seven Flagship Initiatives

1. Analyzing and promoting investment and financing for water-related disasters
2. Advancing technology and scientific knowledge, and promoting their use in countries and local communities
3. Mainstreaming water and disaster in discussion and practice on climate change adaptation
4. Sharing good practices through Flagship Documents
5. Helping implementation of local projects
6. Collaboration among HELP members at times of disasters
7. Raising awareness at the highest levels and regularizing in-depth discussion on water and disasters at global level

Now positioned in Outcome Documents of HLPW
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Investment and Financing on Water-related Disaster Risk Reduction
Goal of “the Principles process”

• Double the investment and financing for water-related disaster risk reduction.

• Shift from disaster response to preparedness.

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1. Water-related disaster risk reduction is indispensable for socio-economic development.

2. Pre-disaster prevention measures should be prioritized.

3. Governments should improve their fiscal systems and secure sufficient budget.

4. Various funding sources should be mobilized.

5. International community should expand financing for disaster risk reduction.

6. Science and technology should support decision making on better investment.
Roadmap for Developing the Principles

2017
Drafting & Discussion

- 3rd UN-STSWD
  Jul. 2017
- WWW
  Aug. 2017
- HELP10
  Sep. 2017
- APWS3
  Dec. 2017

2018
Consultation

- WWF8
  Mar. 2018
- HELP11
  May 2018
- Dushanbe HLC
  Jun. 2018
- AMCDRR
  Jul. 2018
- IMF-WB
  Oct. 2018

2019
Launch

- Water Decade (2018–2028)
- HLPF
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- HELP12
  Nov. 2018
- WWW
  Aug. 2018
- GWP
  2018
- 4th UN-STSWD
  2019
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  - 4th UN-STSWD: 2019
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Alliance of Alliances on DRR Research
Alliance of Alliances on DRR Research (AoA)

Why AoA?
• sustainable development is hampered by water-related disasters
• more effective communication and collaboration
• particular focus on research and higher education development

4 Key Roles of AoA
• communications role
• analytical role
• catalytic role
• supportive role
Relationships with Ongoing Multinational Activities and Processes:
UN Water, UNISDR, UNESCO/IHP, WMO, GADRI, APRO, ICHARM and many other groups.
Collaborate with existing alliances by linking efforts in research and education across national boundaries.

Operation:

a. HELP - oversee

b. Steering Council - executive management
   Co-Chairs for the first three years
   Prof. Gretchen Kalonji and Prof. Toshio Koike

c. Secretariat - Institute of Disaster Management and Reconstruction (IDMR), Sichuan University, in Chengdu, China.
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HELP Action on Climate Change Process
Mainstreaming water and disaster in discussion and practice on climate change adaptation

HELP’s Actions:

• Analyze the current positioning of water within UNFCCC and promote embedding water process within the UNFCCC work programme

• Analyze the international funds aimed at climate change adaptation and develop a practical guidance note to facilitate application and use of funds related to water-related DRR

• Upgrade and advocate the HELP’s Position Paper on Climate Change to promote common principle for addressing climate change in the context of water and disasters

Coordinated by Netherlands
Contribution by USACE, ADB, Munich Re, OECD (tbc), JICA, Japan, UNESCO, UNESCAP (tbc), GWP (tbc), others
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HELP Flagship Document & HELP Review and Recommend
Special Issue of "Water Policy"

• This issue showcases studies of the benefits and costs of investments in DRR and enhancement of resilience in urban areas.

• The studies use existing data and analysis and are not new research. They focus on policies and their implementation in specific cases.

• The case studies describe benefits and cost not only projections of problems or of possible approaches, in short, descriptions of investment performances (failures and successes).

• By assembling more information on the benefits and costs of DRR investments, HELP obtains more specific data useful in encouraging and helping urban areas to invest in measures to achieve DRR, to avoid damages, and to build reliance.
Special Issue of "Water Policy"

Timeline of Publication

May 2018: Volunteer case studies
July 2018: Submission of drafts of case studies
October 2018: Reviews completed
December 2018: Revisions completed
Spring 2018: Final preparation for publication
HELP “Review and Recommend” Initiative

• There are many books and publications that deal with the issue of “Water and Disasters” in the world.
• Many include valuable information for policy makers, practitioners or researchers.
• However, the information on such documents are not easily accessible by those that need them. We are all busy!
• HELP will bridge the gap between books and potential readers
• HELP will review books, reports and other documents that are relevant to the issue of “Water and Disasters”
• HELP will recommend books and documents that would be beneficial in addressing “water and disasters”.
Process of “Review and Recommend”

• HELP advisors will compile a list of potential publications regularly.
• The advisors will read and analyze the documents, and write short reviews and prepare an analytical bibliography.
• Based on the reviews, HELP will issue a recommendation of publications that are useful for addressing the issue of “Water and Disasters”,
• The recommended books will be on HELP Website with review.
Upcoming Events and Roles of HELP
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<td>International Conference on Water Decade</td>
<td>HELP to co-organize a session on DRR and Climate Change</td>
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<td>July 3-6, 2018 Ulaanbaatar</td>
<td>Asian Ministerial Conference on DRR</td>
<td>HELP, GWP, Mongolia and Japan to hold a special event and ministerial luncheon</td>
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<td>July 9-18, 2018 UN-HQs, NYC</td>
<td>High Level Political Forum</td>
<td>HELP representative as a speaker ICHARM to hold an event on Water &amp; DRR</td>
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<td>World Water Week</td>
<td>HELP to co-host Session on water and DRR</td>
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<td>Summer-Autumn, 2018, the World</td>
<td>Regional Meetings of GWP</td>
<td>HELP and GWP to co-host regional sessions on the Financing Principle</td>
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<td>World Bank-IMF Annual Meeting</td>
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<td>HELP12 and Workshop on Water, Disaster, and History</td>
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<td>Spring, 2019 UN-HQs, NYC</td>
<td>4th Special Thematic Session on Water and Disasters</td>
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The 4th Special Thematic Session on Water and Disasters
4th UN Special Thematic Session on Water and Disasters (STSWD4)

- Date and venue: Spring, 2019 at the UN-HQs, NYC
- Co-hosted by HELP and the UN
- Collaboration with UN-SG and PGA
- Keynote lectures/speeches at the level of Heads of State and Government
- Focused discussion with Member States & Stakeholders
- Reporting and Launching HELP Flagship Initiatives
- Concrete Message to International Community
- Sequencing outcomes and actions on biennial basis
### 4th UN Special Thematic Session on Water and Disasters

#### Preparatory Process

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Date: 23 May, 2018

July, 2018

Nov.- Dec., 2018

Spring, 2019
4th UN Special Thematic Session on Water and Disasters

Key questions to Members

✓ What should we achieve by Process of Biennial STSWD (2019- ) ?
✓ How can STSWD support 2030 Agenda, Sendai Framework, and new Water Decade and vice versa?
✓ Should we produce Roadmap of STSWD?
✓ What should be thematic sequence of STSWD?
✓ Who should we approach as partners/supporters of STSWD?
Thank you