

Virtual Meeting of the PDD Advisory Committee on Planned Relocation in the Context of Disasters and the Adverse Effects of Climate Change

Background

Displacement related to the adverse impacts of climate change, disasters caused by natural hazards, and environmental degradation is a reality today and will continue to be a growing global concern. When movement of at-risk communities is unavoidable, policy options to prevent or respond to displacement include planned relocation away from hazardous areas to safer areas before or after a disaster occurs.

Under its 2024-2030 Strategy, the Platform on Disaster Displacement (PDD) aims to support State efforts to "enhance public policies on planned relocation" and specifically to support efforts to "improve the use of planned relocation as a preventative or responsive measure to disaster/climate risk and displacement". This is the first time that planned relocation has been explicitly identified as a strategic priority for the PDD, and efforts to identify opportunities for PDD engagement on the topic are ongoing. In this context, the PDD seeks to organize a virtual exchange of the PDD Advisory Committee on planned relocation in the context of disasters and the adverse effects of climate change.

Objective

The objective of this 90 minute virtual exchange of the Advisory Committee on 2 October 2024 is to introduce and receive input on this PDD strategic priority and work on planned relocation, and to convene Advisory Committee members for an exchange on practices, and ongoing and upcoming work. The meeting is open to anyone (PDD Advisory Committee members and their colleagues/networks) who would like to attend and contribute.

Draft Agenda

For the Asia and Pacific regions: 2 October 2024 – 08:30 Geneva, 13:30 Bangkok, 18:30 Fiji

For the Americas, Africa, and Europe regions: 2 October 2024 - 09:00 New York, 15:00 Geneva, 16:00 Nairobi

5 minutes	Welcome
10 minutes	Setting the scene (Prof. Walter Kaelin)
	Introduction to the PDD's new strategic priority on planned relocation under the 2024-2030 Strategy and
	plans to engage on this topic
10 minutes	Work done by the PDD on planned relocation so far
10 minutes	Scoping study for the PDD
	Presentation of scoping study undertaken on opportunities for PDD engagement on planned relocation
	under the 2024-2030 Strategy.
50 minutes	Tour de Table
	Opportunity for meeting participants to provide input and recommendations, ask questions, and present
	their engagement on planned relocation.
5 minutes	Closing

^{*}The meetings will be recorded for those unable to attend and posted on the PDD website.