



Agenda

GENDER EQUALITY AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION: An Action Workshop for Social Change

August 10-12, 2004

University of Hawai'i and the East-West Center

Imin International Conference Center

1777 East-West Road

Honolulu, Hawai'i, USA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10

DAY 1
Objective: **Laying the Foundation: The Context for Engendering Disaster Risk Reduction.** This day we will focus on framing the issues, understanding the political and organizational context of disaster risk management, and examining current issues raised by regional experts.

7:30—8:00 **Transportation/Shuttle from Hotel to East-West**

8:00—8:30 **Registration / Meet and Greet** [continental breakfast]

8:30—8:45 **'Oli Aloha: Traditional Greeting and Blessings**
Imin International Conference Center, Keoni Auditorium
Kumu Hula Michael Pang

8:45—9:00 **Aloha and Welcome to the Workshop**
Cheryl Anderson and Elaine Enarson, Workshop Co-Conveners

9:00—9:15 **Welcoming Remarks**
Nancy Lewis, Director of Research Studies, East-West Center

Michael P. Hamnett, Director, Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii at Manoa and Chair of the Hawaii State Hazard Mitigation Forum

9:15—9:45 **Setting the Stage: Background and Purpose of the Workshop**
Elaine Enarson

9:45—10:15 **Group Introductions: What Brings You Here?**

10:15—10:30 **Break** – Keoni Auditorium

10:30—12:00 **First Plenary Panel :
Institutional and Governmental Initiatives**

Short presentations from organizational representatives with open discussion following. Objective: To outline institutional commitments to mainstreaming. Where are we now? Are policies in place? What programmatic and operational steps have been taken?

Moderator: Eileen Shea

Speakers:

Marion Pratt, US AID Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance

Eugenia Date-Bah, International Labour Organisation

Pete Bradford, COE in Disaster Management & Humanitarian Assistance

Claire Reiss, Public Entity Risk Institute

Ed Young, NOAA National Weather Service Pacific Region

Allen Clark, Pacific Disaster Center

Sálvano Briceño, International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

12:00—1:30 **Lunch and Conversation**

**From Knowledge to Action: Parallels and Intersections in
International Writing on Gender and Disaster**

Elaine Enarson and Lourdes Meyreles

Gender and Disaster Network Award Presentation:

Madhavi Malalgoda Ariyabandu is honored with the Mary Fran Meyers Award. Established in 2002, the Mary Fran Myers Award recognizes that vulnerability to disasters and mass emergencies is influenced by social, cultural, and economic structures that marginalize women and girls. The award was so named to honor Mary Fran's sustained efforts to launch a worldwide network among disaster professionals advancing women's careers and promoting research on gender issues, disasters, emergency management, and higher education.

This award recognizes people whose activities, advocacy efforts, or research has had a lasting, positive impact in reducing hazards vulnerability for women and girls. People whose work add to the body of knowledge on gender and disasters; is significant for the theory and/or practice of gender and disasters; or who have furthered opportunities for women to succeed in the hazards fields are eligible to receive the award. Previous winners include Mary Fran Myers, Natural Hazards Center (2002) and Betty Hearn Morrow, Florida International University (2003).

- 1:30— 3:00 **Second Plenary Panel:
Grassroots Initiatives**
Representatives from community-based organizations and others working at the grassroots in different regions and sectors will make brief presentations with open discussion following. Objective: To share information across regions as a platform for further discussion. Where, how and why has gender equality been a part of disaster risk reduction at the community level? What best practices and successes can we draw upon?
- Moderator:** Johdah Bokhari, Women and Water Network (Pakistan)
Speakers:
Kelva Perez, USAID, Gender and Water Alliance (Dominican Republic)
Ayse Yonder and Suzanne Shende, GROOTS (Turkey and Honduras)
Sarah Bradshaw, International Cooperation for Development (Nicaragua)
Naomi Weidner, Independent Consultant (Ukraine)
Armine Mikayelyan, Women for Development (Armenia)
- 3:00—3:15 **Break: Coffee and Tea with Poster Viewing**
- 3:15—4:15 **Second Plenary Break-out Discussion**
Follow-up discussion of the plenary in six groups mixed by sector and regions. Facilitators and rapporteurs for each group will be designated.
- 4:15—5:15 **Second Plenary Reports**
Short reports back by participants from each break-out group.
- 5:15—5:30 **Wrap Up**
- 5:30 **Bus Departs for Waikiki Aquarium**
- 6:00—8:30 **Reception at the Waikiki Aquarium**
Welcome to the State of Hawai'i –
Ed Teixeira, Vice Director, Hawaii State Civil Defense
Cultural Presentation –
Kumu hula Victoria Holt Takamine and Halau Pua Ali'i 'Ilima

DAY 2 Objective: **A Closer Look: Issues and Strategies Across Sectors.** This day we will focus on specific areas of action and evaluate the potential and limitations of existing and needed approaches. The workshops and plenary discussions will provide a platform for strategic planning tomorrow.

7:30— 8:00 **Transportation/Bus from Hotel to East-West Center**

8:00— 8:30 **Meet and greet [continental breakfast]**

8:30— 9:00 **Greetings, Feedback, and Review of the Agenda**

9:00—12:00 **Concurrent Facilitated Workshops**

These participatory and active workshops will each be lead by an expert team with the assistance of a facilitator and a note-taker who will also contribute substantively. Please come and share your experience and ideas.

Workshops will include:

Short statements by workshop leaders; General discussion led by workshop leaders on other lessons learned across regions and sectors; Facilitated discussion to identify policy and practice needs; Further consideration of implementation with respect to gaps and constraints, and resources and opportunities. Preparation for report-out and drafting of recommendations for the Call for Action.

1. Building capacity in women's and community groups

Room: Kamehameha

Leaders: Madhavi Ariyabandu and Ngo Cong Chinh

Facilitator: Sara Ahmed

Rapporteur: Marieme Lo

2. Communication, training and education strategies to reduce risk

Room: Saramanok

Leaders: Elina Palm and Dawn Paleso'o

Facilitator: Christina Higa

Rapporteur: Emily Sjostrom

3. Using science and technology differently

Room: Washington

Leaders: Deborah Thomas and S.H.M. Fakhruddin

Facilitator: Ashmita Gosai

Rapporteur: Niki Dash

4. New partnerships and collaborations

Room: Mandarin

Leaders: Ayse Yonder and Suzanne Shende

Facilitator: Nugroho Abikusno

Rapporteur: Arleen Hill

5. Engendering complex emergency responses

Room: Tegore

Leaders: Marion Pratt and Stuart Katwikirize

Facilitator: Sharon McHale

Rapporteur: Karen Smith

6. Changing organizational culture and structure

Room: Pago Pago

Leaders: Pratima Singh and Yolanda Gomez

Facilitator: Walt Peacock

Rapporteur: Bill Lovecamp

7. Research for social action

Room: Kaniela

Leaders: Sudha Arlikatti and Lourdes Meyreles

Facilitator: Nuray Karanci

Rapporteur: Kris Peterson

12:00—1:30

Lunch and Conversation

Open Microphone – Short Presentations

Debabrata Basu, State Agricultural University, West Bengal

Marcella Michaud, USAID Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance

1:30 – 2:00

Roles of Men in Gender Equality and Disaster Risk Management

Facilitator: Ed Young, NOAA National Weather Service, USA

Men in attendance meet to discuss roles and responsibilities for promoting gender equality.

2:00—3:00

Facilitated Workshop Reports to Plenary - Keoni Auditorium

3:00—4:00

Time out! Break and Poster Session - Keoni Auditorium

This extended coffee break provides time for informal conversation about the poster displays with those who are directly involved.

4:00—5:30

Third Plenary Panel (Keoni Auditorium)

**Promoting Gender Equality in Disaster Risk Reduction:
Strategies Currently in Place**

Panelists will summarize existing strategies for integrating gender equality in various dimensions of disaster management and risk reduction, with open discussion following. Objective: To set the stage for tomorrow's work by continued discussion of good practice and needed action.

Note: Break-out sessions for follow-up discussion are tomorrow morning.

Moderator: Susan Cutter

Speakers:

Prafulla Mishra

Mary Hope Schwoebel, US

Alice Kirambi

Maureen Fordham

Mehul Pandya

5:15— 5:30

Wrap up

5:45

Bus Returns Participants to Hotel

Optional Wednesday evening activities:

Evening meals in town.

Tours or cultural performances [see details in your welcome packets].

DAY 3
Objective: Promoting Gender-Fair Practices in Disaster Risk Reduction: Strategies Needed and Possible Implementation Actions.

Today we focus on how best to advance the key ideas and changes identified by participants over the past two days. We will examine organizing, implementation and policy needs in various sectors and regions at local, regional, national, and international levels.

7:30— 8:00 **Transportation/Bus from Hotel to East-West Center**

8:00— 8:30 **Meet and greet** [continental breakfast]

8:30— 9:15 **State-of-the-art Resources and Capacities for Engendered Risk Reduction: What We Have Learned from Participants**
Cheryl Anderson, Co-Convener, University of Hawaii

9:15 - 10:45 **Third Plenary Break-out Discussion**
Follow-up discussion of the plenary in groups from previous day. Facilitators and rapporteurs for each of six groups. Focused discussion of specific action items for the **Honolulu Call to Action**.

10:45— 11:00 **Break**

11:00—12:30 **Third Plenary Reports**
Short reports back by representatives of each group.

Based on the discussions so far, recommendations from the break-out groups and individuals are invited for inclusion in the **Honolulu Call for Action**. This is our primary advocacy tool and will take up such questions as:

What are the strategic next steps to engender risk reduction and disaster response?

At what level can these be implemented?

Are these strategies specific to a certain sector or aspect of risk reduction?

Can they be generalized?

Are they country- or region-specific, necessarily?

What type of support or resources will be required?

What is the timeline for implementation—6 months or 12, 1 year or 5?

Who can or should carry this forward?

How do we want to contribute to the World Conference on Disaster Reduction in Kobe, Japan (January 2005)?

Based on these and earlier discussions, a small **Gender and Disaster Coordinating Group** will formulate draft text for the Honolulu Call to Action and circulate the document for review by all participants. Please volunteer if you would like to help with this project or other post-conference follow up.

12:30—1:30 **Lunch Break – Last Chance Presentations**

1:30—2:15 **World Conference on Disaster Reduction: How to Incorporate Gender Issues in the Conference**
Sálvano Briceño, International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

2:15—3:00 **Engendering Disaster Reduction Globally: On to Kobe and Beyond**
Members of the workshop advisory committee will offer brief comments on the core recommendations for the Call to Action to be developed.

Moderator: Betty Morrow

Remarks from all participants wishing to speak on outcomes and follow-up

We will discuss outcomes and follow-up, specifically: how to use the Call to Action, possible working groups, specifics about the Kobe conference, future workshops, the Gender and Disaster Sourcebook, the Gender and Disaster Network and related ideas.

Organizational and personal commitments will be sought and recorded to promote sustained networking, collaboration, and project planning in the next year.

3:00 **Aloha and Farewell**