



*Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in a Changing Climate:  
Lessons Learned about Lessons Learned*

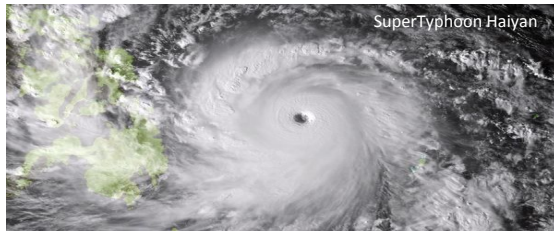
# Why Lessons Matter

*'cause this world turns on lessons learned*

-Tracy Lawrence

## Why Lessons?

The *Lessons Learned about Lessons Learned Expert Forum*, is being organized to discuss why the so-called “lessons” that are identified after a DRR response so often remain unused in future responses to similar hazard events. Why are organizations managing DRR projects today no differently they were decades ago? Is the lessons learned process broken? If so, how can it be fixed?



## Why Now?

The need for Improved awareness and understanding of the “lessons learning process” for DRR in a changing climate is at a critical point as disasters increase even as response funding stagnates.

## The Concern?

DRR in a changing climate concerns humanitarian & development relief agencies alike. Scientists are projecting an increase in the intensity, frequency, magnitude and location of extreme hazard events as global climates continue to warm. At the same time, vulnerable coastal and floodplain populations continue to increase, setting the stage for even greater social and economic losses into the future.



**Antalya, Turkey 10-13 February, 2015**



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**EXPERT FORUM ON DISASTER RISK REDUCTION IN A CHANGING CLIMATE: LESSONS  
LEARNED ON LESSONS LEARNED  
(ANTALYA, TURKEY, 10 TO 13 FEBRUARY 2015)**

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## **MATERIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MEETING**

### **Venue**

1. At the kind invitation of the Government of the Republic of Turkey, the Expert Forum on “Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in a Changing Climate: Lessons Learned on Lessons Learned” will be held in Antalya, Turkey from 10 to 13 February 2015. The opening ceremony will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 10 February 2015 at the **KEMPINSKI HOTEL THE DOME**.

2. A Conference Information and Registration Desk will be established close to the meeting rooms and will be responsible for the registration of participants and provision of general information.

### **Registration of participants**

3. Registration for the meeting will take place at the Conference Information and Registration Desk at the KEMPINSKI HOTEL THE DOME on Monday 9 February 2015, from 4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. and will continue throughout the session. Participants will receive identification cards at the time of registration.

### **Entry requirements**

4. Citizens of a number of countries need to have a visa before arriving in Turkey. Most visitors with confirmed round-trip tickets can obtain their entry visas at the airports, although this does not apply to certain nationalities. Information and relevant procedures on this matter can be obtained at <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>. The Government of Turkey has advised that applications for visas may be submitted to the nearest Turkish embassy or consulate. In those countries that do not have a Turkish embassy or consulate, participants may submit their application to a Turkish embassy or consulate in another country which covers the participant's country of origin. Participants are advised to contact an embassy or consulate as early as possible to obtain precise information on regulations and deadlines for submission of applications. A complete list of Turkish embassies and consulates can be found at <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/turkish-representations.en.mfa>. If an invitation letter is necessary for your visa application, please directly contact the Local Organizing Committee at the following address:

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### Currency

5. The Turkish currency unit is the Turkish Lira (TRY). Most businesses, tour operators, airlines and hotels accept major credit cards and traveler's cheques. Banking hours are generally from 08h00 to 17h00 on weekdays; all the banks except those located in some shopping centres or malls are closed on weekends.

The average exchange rate in December 2014 was as follows:

1 Euro = 2.75 TRY  
 1 US\$ = 2.22 TRY  
 1 CHF = 2.27 TRY

### Health requirements/Medical Services

6. Up-to-date information on International Travel and Health is provided by the World Health Organization (WHO) at the following websites: <http://www.who.int/ith/en/> and <http://www.who.int/countries/tur/en/>

7. Medical services are of a high standard and most international prescription drugs are readily available through retail pharmacies. It is suggested that you take out personal medical insurance for the duration of the trip.

### Electricity and Mobile Phone Connection

8. City and town power systems are generally 220-240 volts and 50 Hz with plug type C, E, and F. However, an adaptor may also be necessary.

9. Mobile telephones with GSM configurations are available. For more details, please visit the websites of the Turkish mobile carriers, Avea ([http://www.avea.com.tr/index\\_en.shtml](http://www.avea.com.tr/index_en.shtml)); Turkcell (<http://www.turkcell.com.tr/site/en/>); and Vodafone (<http://www.vodafone.com.tr/index.php>) or contact your local service operator.

### Hotel Reservation

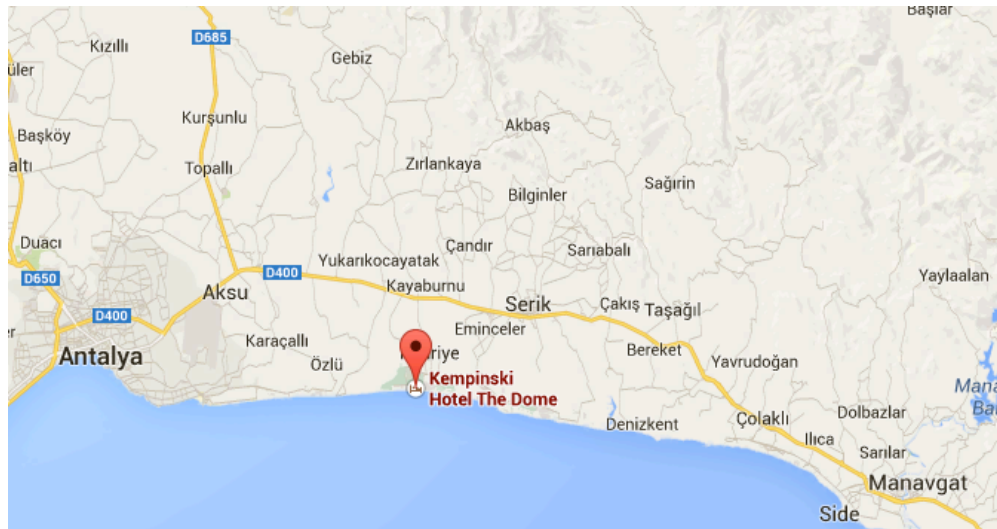
10. Participants are responsible for their own hotel reservations. Accommodation has been reserved at the Kempinski Hotel the Dome, the conference venue, at extremely preferential rates. All taxes are included in the price. It is strongly recommended all participants stay at this hotel, as the rates given below (see item 13) are "ultra all inclusive", meaning all meals and most drinks are covered. Should you decide to stay in a different hotel, you will be responsible for additional charges for meals and drink during the event. **All guests are kindly invited to pay the room fee upon the arrival at the hotel.**

11. It is strongly recommended that participants place their hotel reservations through and Mr Burak INAN (mobile phone: + 90 545 3200330; e-mail: [burakinan@organizer.com.tr](mailto:burakinan@organizer.com.tr)) and Ms Aslı AKTÜRE (mobile phone: + 90 533 9262369; e-mail: [asliakture@organizer.com.tr](mailto:asliakture@organizer.com.tr)) and send a copy of their reservation forms to Ms Gönül KILIÇ ( e-mail: [gkilic@mgm.gov.tr](mailto:gkilic@mgm.gov.tr)) who are

Representatives of the Local Organizers, using the attached Hotel Reservation Form (see Appendix) **before 15 January 2015**. Please note that rates may differ for reservations placed after the deadline.

12. **Kempinski Hotel The Dome** is located in Kadriye near Belek, a 25-minute drive from Antalya International Airport and 45 minutes from Antalya city centre. To view the complete amenities of the hotel, please visit its website: <http://www.kempinski.com/en/belek> (Address: Kempinski Hotel The Dome, Yeni Mahalle Uckumtepesi Caddesi No 20-2 Kadriye, 07500, Antalya, Turkey). Airport transfers will be organized at no cost to participants staying at this Hotel.

13. Room rate is per night per person per room and ultra all inclusive.
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|---------------------------|---------|
| Standard single room      | 135 EUR |
| Standard double/twin room | 115 EUR |



#### Local climate

14. Climate data for the period of the session in Antalya is listed below:

Mean precipitation	156 mm
Mean temperature	10°C
Maximum temperature	15°C
Minimum temperature	6°C
Mean sea temperature	0°C

#### Internet Facilities

15. Hotel offers free WiFi connection to hotel guests.

#### Information and Contact Details of Local Organizers

16. For further local and accommodation information, please contact:

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## APPENDIX

### Hotel Reservation Form

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**HOTEL RESERVATION FORM  
Kempinski Hotel the Dome**

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM BEFORE 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015 TO:**

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<b>Title (Dr/Prof/Mr/Ms/Mrs/Miss/Other):</b>	<b>Name &amp; Surname:</b>
<b>Representing Country/Organization:</b>	
<b>Position:</b>	
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<b>Fax:</b>	<b>Mobile:</b>
<b>E-mail:</b>	

**Please reserve the following accommodation for me:**

Hotel ( Ultra All Inclusive )	Rate per room per night per person		Room type (Please circle)	Check-in date	Check-out date
	Single	Double/Twin			
Kempinski Hotel the Dome	EUR 135	EUR 115	Single/Double/Twin		

### Dietary Requirements /Special Requests

**Please indicate any specific dietary requirements or requests:**

- ☐ Kosher (Beth Din)  
☐ Halaal  
☐ Vegetarian  
☐ Hearing impaired  
☐ Visually impaired  
☐ Physical disability (Please specify)\_\_\_\_\_