

2019 Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction  
**Securing an Inclusive Build Back Better Dividend**  
A Side Event organized by The International Recovery Platform (IRP)  
International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG), Room 13  
Friday, May 17, 2019. Room 13, 12:30 - 14:00

### Rationale

Building back better from disasters presents opportunities to improve infrastructure, ecosystems, communities and livelihoods to be stronger, more sustainable and resilient. The dividends, or the benefits, of building back better are wide-ranging, including reduced future losses; improved standards, policies, practices, and technologies; and stimulus for economic activity. However, significant questions concerning timing, planning, implementation, and financing remain, and importantly, who should receive the dividends of build back better?

Disadvantaged and vulnerable people, often disproportionately impacted by disasters and with poor access to recovery resources and technical assistance, are too often left behind from the dividends of building back better and an equitable recovery. This Side Event will explore policies and practices that can achieve more equitable recovery outcomes. Panellists will address evidence and experiences of successes and failures, enablers and barriers, to a more inclusive recovery. The outcomes of this event will advance the ongoing global discourse on inclusive recovery, most recently addressed at the International Recovery Forum 2019 and World Reconstruction Conference 4.

### Objectives

- Present evidence of the benefits to poor and vulnerable groups that can be achieved from “build back better” policies, initiatives, or programs.
- Highlight the real benefits of inclusion in “Build Back Better” programs
- Explore effective ways to achieve and sustain the benefits of inclusion in “build back better”, as well as challenges, enablers, and barriers.

### Tentative Agenda (90 minutes)

#### Opening:

- **Presentation: Mr. Haruo Hayashi**, President, National Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience (15 mins)
- **Presentation on Outcomes of the International Recovery Forum 2019**: IRP Secretariat (10 mins)

**Panel Discussion:** (60 minutes, including interactive discussions with audience)

**Moderator: Mr. Josef Leitmann**, Chair of the IRP Steering Committee (GFDRR/WB)

#### Panelists:

1. Building Capacities for/Empowering an Inclusive Recovery – **Mr. Kamal Kishore**, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, India
2. Inclusive Green/Blue Infrastructure Recovery - **Mr. Mark Osler**, Senior Advisor for Coastal Resiliency at the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
3. Evidence of the Benefits of Inclusive Recovery - **Mr. Sushil Gyawali**, Chief Executive Officer, National Reconstruction Authority, Nepal
4. Planning for inclusive recovery in the Caribbean – **Ms. Emily Wilkinson**, Senior Research Fellow, Risk and Resilience Programme, Overseas Development Institute
5. Innovative Approaches to Ensuring Inclusive Recovery – **Mr. Juan Caballero**, Director for Programmes and Partnerships, Latin America, Build Change
6. Inclusive, Community-based Recovery from a technological hazard – **Mr. Tadanori Inomata**, Advisor, Office for Global Relations, Nagasaki University

**Closing Remarks: Mr. Josef Leitmann**, Chair of the IRP Steering Committee (GFDRR/WB) (5 minutes)