Results of the Seminar

- It was agreed by all participants that IRP will be the inter-agency mechanism for taking forward the agenda of the Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015, adopted at the World Conference on Disaster Reduction held in Kobe-Hyogo in January 2005, relating to post disaster recovery. IRP will thus be a major thematic pillar of the ISDR system. It will be organized around three components: Knowledge Management and Advocacy, Training and Capacity Building and Enhancement of Recovery Operations.

- The Knowledge Management and Advocacy component will be led by UN/ISDR and ADRC, and will be located in Kobe-Hyogo, Japan. The IRP Hyogo Office was inaugurated during the Seminar. The Government of Japan, including the Hyogo Prefectural Government, has reiterated its offer of funding the IRP Hyogo Office.

- The Training and Capacity Building component will be led by ILO together with DMTP. The Government of Italy has expressed interest in supporting this component through ILO. The Dubai Humanitarian City (UAE) has also expressed interest in providing support for training and learning activities, through UNDP.

- The Enhancement of Recovery Operations component will be led by UNDP and will focus in the first year on the development of a joint needs assessment methodology and on surge capacity. The US State Department has expressed interest in supporting this component. UNDP will also have the overall lead agency coordination responsibility for IRP.