

## BRDR Project Synopsis

	<b>Building resilience through inclusive and climate-adaptive disaster risk reduction in Asia-Pacific (BRDR)</b>
<b>Contracting authority</b>	Sida
<b>Duration</b>	1 January 2018 – December 2022
<b>Consortium</b>	Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC) – lead Raoul Wallenberg Institute (RWI) Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB)
<b>Target group</b>	Regional bodies and platforms (in particular the Regional Consultative Committee on Disaster Management), NDMO:s in Nepal, Philippines and Papua New Guinea, ADPC
<b>Overall objective</b>	Strengthened regional cooperation to protect development gains and build resilience of people in the Asia-Pacific to disaster and climate risk through inclusive and gender-responsive risk reduction measures.
<b>Specific aims</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Enhance the role of the Regional Consultative Committee on Disaster Management to implement global frameworks which promotes learning and knowledge sharing and transboundary DRR</li> <li>- Promote inclusion and rights-based approaches and gender equality and women leadership for DRR and CR;</li> <li>- Assist national and local stakeholders to strengthen disaster preparedness and emergency response measures;</li> <li>- Mainstream DRR and CR into sector-specific development policy and programs.</li> </ul>
<b>Technical components (outcomes)</b>	<p>Outcome 1 Regional – Strengthened capacity for regional cooperation to build resilience to future climate and disaster risk in Asia-Pacific</p> <p>Outcome 2 National – Increased uptake of risk-informed approaches to development and social protection to reduce disaster and climate risk and vulnerability</p> <p>Outcome 3 Institutional – Enhanced gender quality and rights-based approaches in disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation</p>
<b>Cross-cutting issues (CCI)</b>	<p>The BRDR program aims to contest the underlying social causes of vulnerability by applying gender-equal, rights-based and pro-poor perspectives while planning and implementing actions under different outcomes. The concept of intersectionality will be utilized as a tool to capture dynamics of power, and to depict identities of individuals as a diverse entity, varying in nature. Intersectionality considers how gendered biases are formed and affected by ethnicity, class, race, age, place, and various axes of marginalization and oppression. This multi-level analysis is conducted to contest the traditional “one-size-fits-all” approach, and, on a policy-level to acknowledge multiple identities within groups to holistically address vulnerability.</p> <p>To ensure that no-one is left behind, rights-based approaches will be integrated into deliverables, outputs and outcomes of the program in line with international standards, which provide helpful guidance to meet the DRR and CR needs of children, persons with disabilities, ethnic minorities, and other groups. Rights-based approaches, including those grounded in international human rights law and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), facilitate a whole-of-society perspective on contemporary DRR and CR challenges, whilst providing a framework for designing, exchanging and developing effective practices.</p>
<b>Monitoring and Evaluation (M&amp;E)</b>	Monitoring and evaluation will be used strategically to inform program implementation with a focus on achieving results. As such, monitoring will be used to follow up quality and performance, and evaluation will be used to assess program impact.
<b>Strategic Approach</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continuity and ownership by building on existing work</li> <li>- Multi-tier capacity development (regional+national+institutional)</li> <li>- Regional cooperation</li> <li>- Partnerships and complementarities</li> <li>- Rights-based approaches and gender equality</li> </ul>

	- Alignment of interventions with key global frameworks
<b>Type of activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Technical workshops</li> <li>- Regional workshops</li> <li>- Training and exercises</li> <li>- Participation in regional fora</li> <li>- Peer support and networking</li> </ul>
<b>Organisational structure</b>	<p><u>Steering Group</u> The Steering Group consists of representatives from the consortium partners. This Steering Group will make strategic decisions; seek to develop operational arrangements for the implementation of all aspects of the program; coordinate with the implementing regional and national partners in the execution of activities; and ensure effective oversight of program reporting, and monitoring and evaluation over the course of the program.</p> <p><u>Reference Group</u> The Reference Group is expected to help the BRDR Steering Group by providing suggestions on current and future initiatives and advice on championing the work of the BRDR program and forging links with other networks, platforms and programs to achieve greater synergy in the region, offering technical inputs and cooperation at regional and the country level (pilot countries in particular) in order for the BRDR program to contribute to national efforts for building resilience against disaster and climate change risk and building on regional partnerships by provide technical inputs and views on critical issues in Asia and the Pacific related to disaster risk reduction, climate change adaptation, and gender equality.</p>
<b>Project management and backstopping</b>	MSB, as a partner in the consortia, provides technical support to the programme through seconded experts primarily in the areas of gender mainstreaming and monitoring and evaluation. MSB project management represents MSB in the project steering group and acts as focal point for communication with ADPC and consortia partners.



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