**Peer-Learning Workshop on Building a Local Government Alliance and Resilience for Cities Facing Risk in Coastal Area (Case of 2018 Earthquake, Tsunami, and Liquefaction in Palu)**

**28-30 September 2020 in Palu, Indonesia**

1. **Background**

Over the past years, the number of natural disasters and humanitarian crises has continued to increase around the world and the Asia-Pacific region (ASPAC) is the world’s most natural disaster-prone area accounting for 71% of deaths caused by natural disasters in 2017-2019. Natural disasters are now four times more likely to affect people in the region than those in Africa, and 25 times more likely than those in Europe. A major factor for this is the environmental landscape of the region. Active tectonic plate movements in the Pacific and Indian Oceans have been the source of major earthquakes and tsunamis. The vast expanse of warm ocean water on the western rim of the Pacific Ocean is the point of origin of most tropical storms that make landfall in countries such as China, Philippines, Japan, Korea, and Vietnam.

Coastal Cities at Risk

As the World Economic Forum's [Global Risk Report 2019](https://www.weforum.org/reports/the-global-risks-report-2019) shows, around 90% of all coastal areas will be affected to varying degrees. Some cities will experience sea-level rises as high as 30% above the global mean. By 2050, [at least 570 cities](https://www.c40.org/other/the-future-we-don-t-want-staying-afloat-the-urban-response-to-sea-level-rise) and some 800 million people will be exposed to rising seas and storm surges. To adapt the impact of climate change, most of cities literally have no choice and plan.

An increasing frequency of natural disasters at the coastal area was not only dominated by the climate change impact but also triggered by tectonic movement and it was known after the Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami in 2004, making it one of the deadliest disasters in modern history. In addition to the climate change impact disaster, flooding from sea level rise and storm surges in the coastal cities are expected to result people at risk and the likely displacement by mid-century. In 2011, Thailand and Cambodia experienced massive flooding and at least 800 people have been killed in both countries. In 2013, Philippines was hit by the Typhoon Haiyan and left more than 7360 people dead or missing. The typhoon also greatly affected local fisheries and multi economic losses. In 2018, a magnitude 7.5 earthquake struck Indonesia’s [Central Sulawesi province](https://www.livescience.com/63721-tsunami-earthquake-indonesia.html), triggering a tsunami and landslides that caused widespread destruction and loss of life where more than 3000 people died.

City-to-City Partnership (Peer-to-Peer Learning)

In the Asia Pacific region, United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific (UCLG ASPAC) has been actively involved in disaster risk reduction (DRR) since 2004 through localising the implementation of the Hyogo Framework (2005-2015) and Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030. UCLG ASPAC has facilitated its prone disaster members to raise awareness on DRR, build capacity, and post disaster rehabilitation.

Under UCLG Task Force for Territorial Prevention and Management of Crisis, Cités Unies France (CUF) has initiated the new UCLG tool for action (UCLG international solidarity fund). The tool is aimed to show that we are capable to help the affected disaster city in needs including in Palu City, Indonesia. The second initiative project will take place in Mozambique where the city is located along the coastline with the high impact of climate change.

Through city-to-city partnerships, cities are able to share experiences and gain access to knowledge of policy tools for risk sensitive and pro-poor urban development. While authorities of metropolitan cities and complex urban areas currently attract more attention due to their high concentration of risk, local and regional authorities have an equally important role to play in medium and small-scale cities, towns, and rural centres.

UCLG ASPAC, the UCLG Task Force for Territorial Prevention and Management of Crisis, chaired by the City of Geneva, and Cites Unis France together with international partners, have launched a call for solidarity among its members. Therefore, upon the post disaster rehabilitation project completion in Palu, we are organising the Peer Learning Workshop on Building a Local Government Alliance and Resilience for Cities Facing Risk on Coastal Area (2018 Earthquake and Tsunami Case Study in Palu) in September 2020.

1. **Expected Outcomes**

The workshop will look into concrete examples of post disaster rehabilitation practices, identify the specifics of knowledge recovery process and build back better, and define ways to effectively adopt the Sendai Framework for DRR together with the programme.

Thus, the workshop aims to:

1. Enhance the connectivity of Sendai Framework for DRR with Recovery and Rehabilitation Program in Palu City;
2. Link Palu City Government with other cities in the region with practices on post disaster rehabilitation (especially: memorial park development and local economic development/LED), and share practices on early warning system development;
3. Provide a recommendation and road map for build back better.
4. **Methodology**

The 3-day workshop is structured into Fourth steps, which build upon each other.

1. First, practice presentations provide for an exchange of applied solutions and illustrate respective preconditions, success factors and outcomes of post disaster rehabilitation strategies or recovery plan;
2. Second, it provides an opportunity to participants to present actual challenges in the field of recovery plan and to receive concrete and practical recommendations by means of peer-to-peer consultation;
3. Third, participants will work on recommendations for local level transfer of good practices;
4. Forth, a roadmap for concrete practice.

A field visit will be conducted in the half of the 1st day, which aims to identify the current post disaster rehabilitation progress in Palu City.

1. **Participant**

Targeted participants are member of UCLG ASPAC, International Agencies, Indonesian National Government Institutions, Non-govermental agencies, and other related stakeholders.

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| Tentative Agenda | | | | | |
| Day 1, Field Visit and Seminar - 28.09.2020 | | | | | |
| Time | | **Session** | **Content** | **Facilitator** | **Venue** |
| 08:00-12:00 | | Field Visit | * Depart to the site:  1. Balaroa Liquefaction Site or Planned Memorial Park 2. Tsunami Red Zone Area 3. LED Community (KUBE Program) 4. Disaster Command Centre (EWS testing) | UCLG ASPAC | TBC |
| 12:00-13:00 | | Lunch break | | | TBC |
| 13.00-13.30 | | Participant registration | | | TBC |
| 13:30-14:00 | | Introduction | * Welcome remarks : * UCLG ASPAC Secretary General * CUF Representative * Mayor of Palu City * Group Photo * Video sharing on 2018 Palu Disaster Memory | UCLG ASPAC |
| 14:00-15:00 | | Plenary | * Updating the Rehabilitation Program in Palu 2018-2020:  1. Sharing Experience on the Update of Recovery and Rehabilitation in Indonesia: (BNPB) 2. Collective Work On Managing City Crisis Fund: (CUF) 3. National Strategy on Recovery Plan in Palu until 2020 (strategy during COVID-19): (Bappenas/Kemendagri) 4. Sharing Experience on the Update of Recovery and Rehabilitation in Palu City: (BPBD Palu)   Moderator : TBA | UCLG ASPAC |
| 15:00-16:30 | | City Panel | * Lesson Learnt on Post Disaster Rehabilitation Practices from other Cities  1. Tsunami and Earthquake Museum: Banda Aceh, Indonesia 2. Yolanda Super Typhoon Memorial: Tacloban City, Philippines 3. Wenchuan Earthquake Memorial: Sichuan, China 4. Local Economic in Post Disaster Practice: Iriga City, Philippines 5. Early Warning System Development Practice (coastal city): TBC   Moderator : TBA | UCLG Learning, ASPAC |
| 16:30-17:00 | | First day workshop wrap up | | UCLG ASPAC |
| Day 2, “Peer-to-Peer Learning” – 29.09.2020 | | | | | |
| 08.30-09.00 | Registration day 2 | | | UCLG ASPAC | TBC |
| 09.00-10.30 | City Discussion | | Discussions from the practice | UCLG Learning, UCLG ASPAC |
| 10.30-12.00 | City Discussion | | Exchange of local challenges concerning DRR  (Such as red-zone land post-disaster utilization: Public space, Local economic development, early warning system and resource protection and preparedness in emergency) | UCLG Learning, UCLG ASPAC |
| 12:00-13:00 | Lunch Break | | | |
| 13:00-14:00 | Group Discussion | | Recommendations to refocus on the Rehabilitation in Palu City  (in group discussion) | UCLG Learning, UCLG ASPAC |
| 14.00-14.15 | Break | | |  |
| 14:15-15:30 | Group Presentation | | Presentations of outcomes to the other groups | UCLG Learning, UCLG ASPAC |
| 15.30-15.45 | Break | | |  |
| 15:45-16:45 | The way ahead | | Development of a roadmap for build back better | UCLG Learning, UCLG ASPAC |
| 16:45-17:00 | Closing | | |  |
| Day 3, “Project Visit” – 30.09.2020 | | | | | |
| 09:00-10:30 | Project Visit : Memorial Park Construction in Balaroa and LED Community | | | UCLG ASPAC, Palu City, PUPR | TBC |