



Understanding Risk Forum 2016

Istanbul, May 16-20, 2016

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- ❑ Event focuses on collaboration, knowledge sharing, innovation and best practices
- ❑ Event hosted in partnership with the Governorship of Istanbul
- ❑ 1,000 attendees expected, including from attendees of WHS
- ❑ “Save the date” circulated to UR community
- ❑ Strong interest and excitement from UR Community with expressions of interest already received to partner on event, including:
 - ❑ 80+ proposals for technical sessions (we have space for 21)
 - ❑ 25 proposals for side events/training sessions/meetings

Order of Events during Forum

- ❑ Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th May – Side events including: training, workshops and community of practice meetings
- ❑ Wednesday 18th May – Opening of main forum including: high-level welcome and panel event, inspirational plenary speakers and ignite presentations
- ❑ Thursday 19th May – Technical Sessions
- ❑ Friday 20th May – Technical Sessions and Closing Ceremony
- ❑ Saturday 21st – Field visits to sites of risk reduction activities around Istanbul
- ❑ Monday 23rd – World Humanitarian Summit opens

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Venue

Spectacular “Halic Congress Centre” along the banks of the Halic (Golden Horn) of historical Istanbul



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Timelines

- ❑ 15th October: Expressions of Interest to host a technical session or side event closed
- ❑ 30th October: Expressions of Interest to host a technical session or side event closed for CG members
- ❑ 1st December: Successful session leads are notified and given guidance on how to refine their session (potentially including partnering with another session)
- ❑ 1st February: Registration opens and 1st edition of program published
- ❑ 31st March: Final edition of program published
- ❑ 16th-20th May: Forum in Istanbul

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How to get involved?

- ☐ Propose to host a session or side event
- ☐ Participate in the UR2016 expo – perfect for highlighting projects
- ☐ Host an evening or VIP event during forum
- ☐ Spread the word to your colleagues in headquarters and in the field about this event

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