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Our Purpose

GNDR is a voluntary network of civil society organisations, associations and individuals who are committed to working together, and engaging with partners and other stakeholders, to increase community resilience and reduce disaster risk around the world. GNDR



Our Vision

A vibrant, active, collaborative civil society supporting people and their communities, particularly poor and vulnerable groups, to prepare for, mitigate, respond to and recover from disasters, and adapt to hazards and a changing climate.



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Our guiding principles

1. Start at the local level

Recognise the local context and understand local perspectives of risk

2. Partner and collaborate

Work with and across all groups and levels

3. Leave no one behind

Strive for equity-sensitive approaches that ensure the inclusion of all groups, particularly those most at-risk

4. Mobilise local resources

Build on existing capacities, knowledge and other sources of resilience

5. Align across policies

Ensure coherence across disasters, climate change and other development activities

6. Hold institutions and individuals to account

Enhance accountability to affected populations



CONTEXT:

Twenty-five years after governments adopted the UN 'International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction' and ten years after the adoption of the UN's 'Hyogo Framework for Action on Disaster Reduction' global disaster risk has not reduced significantly





Since 2005...

1.35m lives lost

Disasters caused by natural hazards have claimed 1.35m lives¹

218m affected per year

Disasters caused by natural hazards have affected on average 218m people per year¹ Between 2008-2014 a total of 184m people were displaced by disasters ¹

184m displaced

1.4bn in fragile situations

Nearly 1.4 billion people live in fragile situations and that is projected to grow to 1.9 billion by 2030. By 2030, around 62% of the world's poor are expected to be living in fragile situations, up from 43% today²

Official statistics don't paint the full picture...

GNDR's frontline programme, launched in 2009, shows that from a locallevel household perspective it is the recurrent low-severity disasters (often referred to as "extensive risk") that cause the majority of loss and damage. These small-scale losses are uninsured, do not mobilise national or international assistance and have to be managed locally. They tend to be unaccounted for on government databases and aren't captured in international statistics. So the official statistics don't paint the full picture. The GNDR #365disasters campaign reports on daily disasters around the globe and highlights that communities at-risk, particularly lowincome households in low and middle-income countries, have to cope with a complex, uncertain and unpredictable mix of extreme shocks and disturbances. This is often in fragile and insecure situations where informal settlements are the norm and the 'drivers of risk' are far outside of their control.

¹ Source: Natural Disasters and climate change: Managing risks and crises differently. – High Level Leaders' Roundtable briefing document, World Humanitarian Summit, 2016; ² Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), States of Fragility 2015: Meeting Post-2015 Ambitions (Paris, OECD Publishing, 2015).

There are key challenges that need to be tackled:

- 1. Achieving greater inclusion and engagement of citizens to ensure that policies reflect local realities
- 2. Closing the implementation gap between national policies and local practices
- 3. Increasing domestic accountability and political ownership for policy commitments
- 4. Developing coherence and mutuality across inter-related frameworks
- 5. Strengthening multi-stakeholder collaboration and coordination





Civil Society has critical roles to play



Implementer

Delivering local level action in partnership with the state and other groups

Connector



Building bridges across different groups and scales to strengthen mutuality and engagement

Capacity Builder

Strengthening capabilities at the local level

Knowledge Sharer



Identifying, developing and sharing knowledge, expertise and innovativ practices

Advocate



Mobilising and standing up for the needs and priorities of marginalised people

Monitor

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Ensuring greater accountability through monitoring and reporting local level progress

However, there are challenges to an effective and well-functioning civil society



- Multiple small local actors working in an isolated and fragmented manner
- Weak institutional capacities and working relationships for cooperation and collaboration
- Limited trust and space for civil society in government decision-making processes
- Agency competition for access to adequate, predictable long-term financial resources
- Poor connectivity amongst civil society and with other stakeholders
- Underdeveloped vision, leadership, mutuality and strategic intent for integrated approaches

GNDR's work is having an impact...

850 Total Member Organisations



Countries

137

- 1. Growing membership
- 2. Stronger global collaboration
- 3. Enhanced policy monitoring
- 4. Improved advocacy
- 5. Increased sharing of knowledge and practice
- 6. 365 disasters campaign

...but much more can be achieved



"Clouds but little rain...

As a civil society network GNDR has three strategic objectives

OBJECTIVE 1:

Increase the impact of civil society in influencing policies and practices at local, national and international levels

- Evidence-based policy advocacy enhanced at all levels
- Strengthened public education campaigns and awareness raising at all levels of society
- Monitoring of public policy implementation is strengthened

OBJECTIVE 2:

Enhance collaboration capabilities of civil society and cooperation with other stakeholders

- Strengthened GNDR Governance and Secretariat institutional and operational capacities at all levels
- Existing civil society networks are strengthened and the formation of new networks is facilitated where needed
- Enhanced capabilities of GNDR members to coordinate and partner with each other and with other actors

OBJECTIVE 3:

Strengthen the creation, analysis and sharing of knowledge

- Knowledge generated through collaborative action-learning
- Enhanced sharing of new and existing scientific and indigenous knowledge, information and practices amongst members and other stakeholders

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Influence policy capacity of and practice at civil society to all levels collaborate

Enhance

Strengthen creation and use of knowledge

Partnerships are central to our approach



To deliver our strategy, we must continue to foster linkages between practitioners, businesses, researchers, governments, donors and policy makers to increase opportunities for technical and operational collaboration, promote integrated approaches, mobilise resources and share lessons learnt across all levels.



Securing financial resources remains an ongoing priority



Budget for Strategy

GBP 000's	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	TOTAL
Operations Total: Global Hub & Regional Offices	901	1,051	1,068	1,085	1,103	5,208
Programmes Total:	2,132	1,630	2,501	1,543	2,432	10,238
1 Increase the impact of civil society in influencing policies and practices at international, national and local levels	1,363	876	1,424	763	1,410	5,836
Evidence-based policy advocacy enhanced at all levels	208	400	225	268	200	1,301
Strengthened public education campaigns and awareness raising at all levels of society	83	273	127	292	138	911
Monitoring of policy implementation is strengthened	1,073	204	1,073	204	1,073	3,625
2 Enhance collaboration capabilities of civil society, and cooperation with other stakeholders	513	209	690	364	709	2,484
Enhanced GNDR Governance and Secretariat institutional and operational capacities at all levels	112	96	281	324	324	1,138
Existing civil society networks are strengthened and the formation of new networks is facilitated where needed	127	93	120	26	96	462
Enhanced capabilities of GNDR members to coordinate and partner with each other and with other actors	275	20	288	13	288	884
3 Strengthen the creation, analysis and sharing of knowledge	257	545	387	417	313	1,919
Knowledge generated through collaborative action-learning	130	278	148	139	139	834
Enhanced sharing of new and existing scientific and indigenous knowledge, information and practices amongst members and other stakeholders	126	267	239	278	174	1,084
Grand Total	3,033	2,681	3,569	2,629	3,534	15,446



Stronger Together





GNDR Global Summit April 2016



Members from more than 70 countries represented

More than 130 participants

Identified regional priorities and implementation plans

Focus on local contextualisation of SFDRR/SDGs/PA