



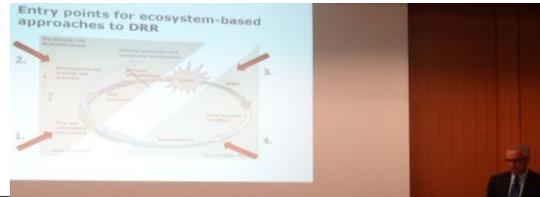
PEDRR SHOUTOUT: Briefing Session on the IUCN World Parks Congress 2014

On July 15, a briefing session was held in Geneva on the IUCN World Parks Congress 2014, the premier global event on protected areas taking place in Sydney from 12-19 November. The session provided an overview of the key themes and expected outcomes of the IUCN World Parks Congress 2014, and highlighted the importance of protected areas as a tool for Ecosystem based Disaster Risk Reduction.

[Click here](#) to find out more about the IUCN world Parks Congress, 2014



World Parks Congress
12-19 November 2014
Sydney Australia



Trevor Sandwith (IUCN) highlighting entry points for Eco-DRR

Featured Publication

Central European Floods 2013: A Retrospective

This paper was produced to coincide with the first anniversary of some of the worst floods to affect central Europe in recent memory. It focuses on flood resilience in Germany, comparing the 2013 and 2002 flood events. The paper provides recommendations for the mitigation of future floods, and highlights the importance of natural solutions, such as the establishment of grassed swales, which offer advantages over traditional artificial measures (levees, dikes etc.).

Source: Zurich Insurance Group Limited, 2014 [Read More](#)



A flooded town in Germany, 2013

Upcoming Events

Ecosystem Services Partnership Conference

The 7th Ecosystem Services Partnership (ESP) Conference will be held in Costa Rica in September 2014. Sessions will include Ecosystem Based Solutions for Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction, when considering multiple risks; and a session on the use of ecosystem services to support nature conservation and financing of protected areas.

Source: The CEM quarterly newsletter, [Read More](#)

Webinar: Access to finance for climate change adaptation projects

The AfriCAN climate team invites you to join a webinar to explore access to finance for climate change adaptation projects. The event is on **24 July 2014 at 16:00 CEST** and is open to everyone.

Financial issues on adaptation projects in Africa will be examined, including Climate Investment Funds which are channelled through the Millennium Development Banks.

To receive the direct link and join the session please [click here to register](#)

Job Vacancy

Chief of Service, Programme Management, D1

Source: United Nations Office for Disaster Risk reduction – Regional Office for Africa (UNISDR)

Location: Kenya (Nairobi)

Closing Date: August 9th, 2014

Terms of reference on PEDRR's [LinkedIn](#)

Scientific Corner Global Threats to Human Water Security and River Biodiversity

This weeks "scientific corner" features the first worldwide synthesis to jointly consider human and biodiversity perspectives on water security using a spatial framework that quantifies multiple stressors and accounts for downstream impacts.

Source: C. J. Vörösmarty, P. B. McIntyre, M. O. Gessner, D. Dudgeon, A. Prusevich, P. Green, S. Glidden, S. E. Bunn, C. A. Sullivan, C. Reidy Liermann & P. M. Davies. (2010). Global Threats to human water security and river biodiversity. *Nature*, 467, 555-561.

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