



PEDRR SHOUTOUT: UNESCO World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development, Nagoya, Japan, 10-12 Nov 2014

The 2014 World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development will celebrate the achievements of the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005-2014). On 11 Nov, UNEP and Cologne University of Applied Sciences will participate in the session “Reorienting education to build a better future for all” and launch the first Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Disasters and Ecosystems . [Read More](#)



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UNEP Green Growth Knowledge Platform

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Deadline: 12 November

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Junior/Mid-level Consultant

*Environmental and Energy Assessments
of UN facilities*

Duty Station: Home based

Deadline: 13 November

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News

CBD CoP decision on Biodiversity, DRR and Climate Change adopted

The Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) recommended conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and restoration of ecosystems which can play a significant role in climate-change mitigation and adaptation, combating desertification and disaster risk reduction.

Source: CBD. [Read the full decision](#)

PEDRR inputs on the HFA2 Zero Draft

PEDRR welcomes the Co-Chair's Zero draft of the post-2015 framework on disaster risk reduction (or HFA2), especially with its stronger language on investing in disaster prevention. Clear language that explicitly recognizes ecosystem-based approaches for disaster risk reduction is still needed in the current Zero draft of HFA2. Partners would like to put forward 3 priorities for inclusion in the post-2015 framework on DRR

Source: PEDRR. [Read full input](#)

[Also see inputs from Wetlands International](#)

Communities invited to apply for assistance to build resilience and pursue revitalization

Through its Building Blocks for Sustainable Development Program, the U.S. Environment Protection Agency (EPA) is offering technical assistance to implement smart growth development approaches.

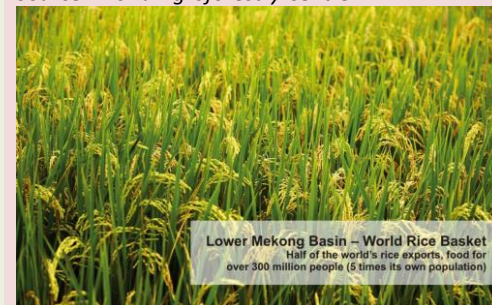
Source: U.S. EPA. [Read more](#).

Featured Publication

Are trees buffering ecosystems and livelihoods in agricultural landscapes of the Lower Mekong Basin? Consequences for Climate Change Adaptation

This Working Paper confirms the degradation of natural resources and ecosystem services in the LMB yet notes the potential for trees to enhance resilience by buffering both ecosystems and livelihoods in agricultural settings. To make the most of this, local and scientific knowledge need to be combined to optimise agroforestry practices, tree selection and arrangements. Policy should therefore encourage participatory approaches. Further research is recommended, focusing on the ecological and economic interactions (both spatial and temporal) between trees and other land uses. [Full publication](#).

Source: *World Agroforestry Centre*



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