

Featured Publication

“Making Communities More Flood Resilient: The Role of Cost Benefit Analysis and Other Decision-Support Tools in Disaster Risk Reduction”



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In this publication, the **Zurich Flood Resilience Alliance** makes the case for flood risk reduction by using decision-support tools, such as cost-benefit analysis, to demonstrate efficiency in the selection of appropriate interventions. Strategies using environmental solutions are included and measured, for example storm surge barriers closing off parts of New York City and New Jersey, while preserving the wetlands dynamics of Jamaica Bay. [Read full publication.](#)

Source: Zurich Flood Resilience Alliance

Quick Knowledge!

What are the five main reasons why soil is key to the planet's sustainable future?

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Upcoming Event

3rd European Conference on Flood Risk Management

Since 1990, losses from flooding have increased significantly in Europe. The region is therefore moving towards comprehensive flood risk management. **FLOODrisk 2016** will explore research advances in flood risk analysis, including characterizing the consequences of environmental damages.

[More information.](#)

Date: 17-21 October 2016

Location: Lyon, France

Job Vacancies

Humanitarian Affairs Consultant

Deadline: 22 February 2015

Source: FAO

**Consultant – Vetted Experts Roster
DRR, Response and Recovery Roster**

Deadline: 4 March 2015

Source: UNDP

**Consultant/PSA – Support to National
REDD+ Action**

Deadline: 16 February 2015

Source: UN-REDD

Internal Communications Officer

Deadline: 23 February 2015

Source: Ramsar Convention Secretariat

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Eco-DRR in practice – Afghanistan

Mountain partners: Increasing community resilience in response to severe winters and floods



News

“As climate changes, cities grapple with big rains”



In an effort to control flooding, part of this Avenue in Minneapolis was closed to traffic and is now a pedestrian and bicycle greenway.

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The amount of rain during heavy rainfall events has increased by 37 percent in the past half century in Minnesota. In response, cities in Minnesota are adapting their infrastructure to a changing climate, as they expect heavier and more frequent rainfalls. ‘Green Infrastructures’ are used and designed to deal with the first inch of rain, such as rain gardens and permeable pavement to allow more rain to soak into the ground. [Read more.](#)

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