

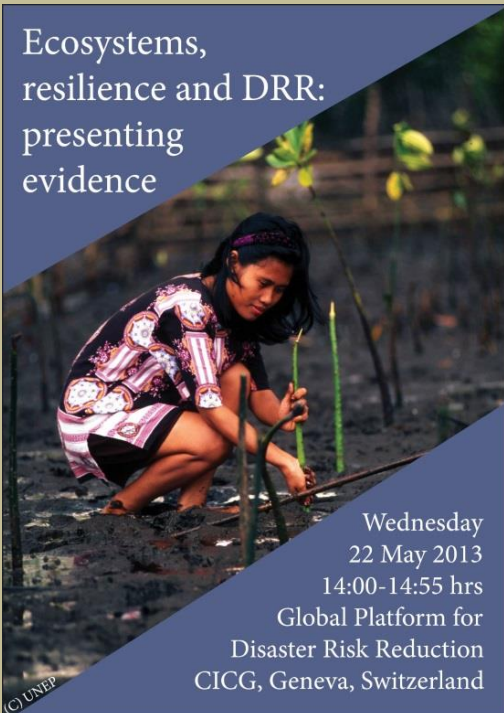
## Weekly news on ecosystem-based disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation

### Upcoming PEDRR Events

**PEDRR Side Event at the  
Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction 2013\***

**Launch of a New Master's Module on Environment,  
Disasters & Risk Reduction (Eco-DRR)**

\*Registration to the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction 2013 is required to participate in this event. Register now at: [www.preventionweb.net](http://www.preventionweb.net)



**Ecosystems, resilience and DRR: presenting evidence**

Wednesday  
22 May 2013  
14:00-14:55 hrs  
Global Platform for  
Disaster Risk Reduction  
CICG, Geneva, Switzerland

Ecosystems, resilience and DRR: presenting evidence  
Sustainable ecosystem management can help reduce disaster risk, in terms of preventing or mitigating hazards, reducing exposure and vulnerability, and increasing local resilience to disasters. However, these services provided by ecosystems are not well-recognized. This side event will provide a forum for presenting evidence regarding the role of ecosystems for DRR and their potential applications. It will demonstrate why investing in ecosystems for DRR makes sense from a technical, social, and economic perspective.

**Chair**  
Dr. Pascal Peduzzi, Head of Global Change and Vulnerability Unit, UNEP/DEWA-GRID

**Speakers**  
Dr. Daniel Maselli, Swiss Agency for Development and Co-operation, Bern, Switzerland on "Managing Natural Hazards in Mountains"  
Ms. Imen Meliane, The Nature Conservancy on "Coastal ecosystems and DRR"  
Mr. Butch Bacani, UNEP Finance Initiative, on "Insurance company investing in ecosystem restoration for hazard mitigation"

This side event is being organized by the Partnership for Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction (PEDRR), a global alliance of UN agencies, NGOs and specialist institutions that seek to promote, innovate and advance knowledge and practice of ecosystem-based solutions for DRR.

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Ecosystems for Adaptation  
and Disaster Risk Reduction

**ENVIRONMENT, DISASTERS  
& RISK REDUCTION (Eco-DRR)**  
Launch of a New Master's Module

**Join our Orientation Session for University Lecturers!**

**Wednesday, 12 June 2013**  
**7th World Environmental Education Congress (WEEC)**  
**Marrakech, Morocco**

Registration to the WEEC is required for all session participants.  
Register online at: [www.weec2013.org](http://www.weec2013.org) or contact us at: [PEDRR.secretariat@gmail.com](mailto:PEDRR.secretariat@gmail.com)

Logos for: European Union, UNEP, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, PEDRR (Ecosystems for Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction), CNRD (Center for Natural Resources and Development), DAAD, and WEEC.

## PEDRR Shoutouts

Watch the Overview of the PEDRR  
Training Course on Ecosystem-based  
DRR for Sustainable Development

<http://vimeo.com/34013497>



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