

# 4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON URBAN DISASTER REDUCTION

**“SUSTAINABLE DISASTER RECOVERY:  
ADDRESSING RISKS AND UNCERTAINTY”**  
**OCTOBER 17–20, 2016.**

**WELLINGTON AND CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND**

The 4th International Conference on Urban Disaster Reduction (4IWUDR) builds on an established practice of international collaboration and knowledge-sharing after disaster events in Japan, US, New Zealand and Taiwan. In this fourth workshop, South Korea and Australia joins the four collaborating countries. The mission of the conference is to develop, integrate and promote new knowledge and best practices in sustainable disaster recovery, with a particular emphasis on urban environments.

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: REVISED SUBMISSION DATE 6 JUNE 2016

Abstracts are solicited on topics related to disaster recovery and urban disaster reduction. Reviewers will be looking for abstracts that take bold steps in describing new strategies and ways of thinking to significantly reduce potential casualties, damage, and disruption from future disasters, and create safe, resilient, and adaptive communities, regions and nations. Young scholars are encouraged to present emerging research.

Papers that bridge the knowledge gaps between research and practice are particularly welcome

Broad topic areas may include, but are not limited to:

- Leveraging the Sendai Framework for DRR and recovery planning.
- Recovery learnings from recent disasters.
- How non-government organisations and institutions contribute to urban disaster reduction and to sustainable disaster recovery.
- Application of academic research into local recovery practice.
- Recovery planning, sustaining preparedness over the long run.
- Creating resilient cities through adaptive social contexts.
- Transfer of recovery practice and policy through inter-government relations.
- Influence of economic, political, cultural or regulatory factors on ambitious recovery efforts.
- The role of SMEs and business continuity planning in the sustainable disaster recovery of communities.

### Revised Timeline

A detail second circular will be available from **late May 2016**

### Abstract Requirements:

Abstracts should be one page single-space and be submitted via email to [H.M.Gunn@massey.ac.nz](mailto:H.M.Gunn@massey.ac.nz)

### Revised Submission Deadline: 6 June, 2016

Notification of acceptance will be given in **July 2016**

Accepted presenters will be required to submit a 4-5 page, single-spaced paper by **15 September 2016**

For more information about the call for abstracts or the conference, visit:

<http://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/learning/departments/school-of-psychology/research/disaster-research/teaching-and-outreach/conferences.cfm>

### Sponsoring Organizations

The 4ICUDR is being organized by the Joint Centre for Disaster Research, GNS Science and Massey University, The Earthquake Engineering Research Institute and Resilient Organisations. Other sponsoring organisations are welcome.

