Combined Dealing with Disasters, UK Alliance for Disaster Research, Disasters Research Group and UK Collaborative for Development Research, 2019

DwD-UKADR-DRG-UKCDR International Conference, 2019

17th, 18th and 19th July, 2019 at Northumbria University, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

**New points of departure in transitioning disaster reduction and sustainability challenges**

The conference will examine current advances and future research needs. It is aimed at all those engaged in dealing with disasters through research and allied areas of education, policy and practice.

Coming soon after the United Nations Global Platform for DRR in May 2019 and ahead of the next Climate Summit in September 2019, this event is to enlighten progressive research driven actions. The underlying area of inquiry will address new points of departure for science and technology, political will and behaviour change initiatives. It asks which systemic changes to the way people live with and take on disaster threats and sustainability challenges build momentum to survive and to thrive?

**The call:**

We welcome wide ranging inputs that may variously contribute to advancing sciences, arts, policy or practice inside or outside of academia in engaging challenges of disaster risk reduction and sustainability. Contributions will variously bridge research findings, reflection and conjecture on what has and still can be done. Debate and empirically informed guidance will assist in bringing more impactful investment and inform a next generation of disaster management and sustainability research. The event is structured around both panel discussions and presentations.

Potential panel and presentation topics may relate to the following, though those related to other themes can be also considered:

- Influencing future investment and research funding
- Building the funder – researcher dynamic in the context of Global Challenges
- Horizon scanning and living with uncertainty
- Case studies of engagement and impact of DRR for sustainable development
- Framing global risk assessment
- Action data
- Health and well-being at the heart of DRR and sustainable development
- Health emergency and disaster risk management
- Risk communication
- The youth voice for DRR
- Modelling simulated risks and effects
- Measuring community resilience
- Confronting vulnerability and marginalisation
- Disaster proofing future living
- Integrated emergency management
• Climate change and disasters
• Disasters and global justice
• Sociology of disasters and development
• Culture and disasters
• Urban planning and resilience
• Conflict and disaster risk reduction
• Hazard mitigation
• Early warning, early action and precautionary approaches
• Recovery and rehabilitation
• Other areas (please specify)

Abstracts for individual papers will either align to those in the suggested list or to newly proposed themes. Applicants are invited to propose panels through an abstract of 300-500 words and individual papers through an abstract of 200-300 words. Send these to sz.dwdconf@northumbria.ac.uk clearly stating the title.

If selected by the conference committee there will be a chance to further refine abstracts before release into the event.

Key Dates:

Registration open – by 10th April.
Submit panel and paper proposals – by 26th May.
Acceptance of panel and paper proposals – by 31st May.
Early registration rate ends 4th June.
Draft programme – by 15th June.
Final programme – 30th June.
Conference – 17th-19th July.
Conference report – late August / early September.

Conference Web Site: at www.northumbria.ac.uk/dwd2019

More information about the UK Alliance for Disaster Research: www.ukadr.org
More information about the UK Collaborative for Development Research: www.ukcdr.org.uk
More information about Northumbria University: www.northumbria.ac.uk/ddn

Fees:

Full (3 days): £70
Full, early registration (3 days): £60 - closes 4th June
Daily: £40

Student (3 days): £30
Student, early registration (3 days): £20
Student daily: £15

Conference dinner in the Great Hall (optional): £35

Fees include morning and afternoon refreshments and light lunch each day.