

**Building Cities Resilience to Disasters: Protecting Cultural Heritage and
Adapting to Climate Change**
Doge's Palace, St Mark's Square
Venice, Italy
19-20 March 2012

Day 1, 19 March

08:45-09:15 Welcome and registration

Introductions: Pierpaolo Campostrini

09:15-10:00 Opening session
Mr Giorgio Orsoni, Mayor of Venice;
Ms Margareta Wählstrom, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction;
Mr Franco Gabrielli, Head, Italian Civil Protection
Mr Antonio Navarra, on behalf of the Italian Ministry for Environment, Land and Sea Climate Change

10:00-10:30 Making Cities Resilient Campaign signing ceremony and photo opportunity

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

Cultural Heritage and Disaster Risk Reduction

Chair: Prof. Dr. Mustafa Erdik, Director, Bogazici University, Kandilli Observatory and Earthquake Research Institute, Turkey

11:00-12:00 Cultural Heritage and disasters: dealing with the risks, *Giovanni Boccardi*, Chief of Unit, Asia and the Pacific Section, UNESCO

Protecting cultural heritage in Paris, *Bertrand Delanoë*, Mayor of Paris (TBC)

The City of Venice: climate risk management at the local level and protection of Venice's cultural heritage, *Pierpaolo Campostrini*, CORILA Director and City of Venice's Focal Point for the Making Cities Resilient Campaign.

12:00-13:00 Roundtable questions and answers

13:00-14:15 Lunch

Climate Change Adaptation

Chair: Ms Rosario Bento Pais, Head, Adaptation Unit, Directorate General for Climate Action, European Commission

14:30-15:30 Climate Adaptation at the Local Level, *Carlo Carraro*, Vice President, IPCC WG III and President, Ca' Foscari University of Venice

Managing risks and increasing resilience in London, *Alex Nickson*, Strategy Manager for Climate Change Adaptation and Water, Greater London Authority

Nice Climate Change Plan, *Christian Estrosi*, Mayor of Nice (TBC)

15:30-16:00 Roundtable questions and answers

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

City to City exchanges: the value of sharing experiences

Chair: Ms Paola Albrito, Regional Coordinator, Europe, UNISDR

16:30-17:30 EU Exchange of experts programme, *Ian Clark*, Directorate General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO)

Twining and cities exchanges, *Mette Lindahl-Olsson*, Head of Section, Natural Hazards and Critical Infrastructure Section, Swedish Contingency Agency

The experience of Byblos, *Mr. Tony Sfeir*, Senior Member of Byblos' City Council

17:30-18:00 Roundtable questions and answers

19:00 Cultural programme

Day 2, 20 March

Chair: Eladio Fernandez-Galiano, Executive Secretary, The European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement, EUR-OPA, Council of Europe

Building Partnerships

09:00-10:00 Disaster Risk Reduction in Italy: National Platform and local-level implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action, *Luigi D'Angelo*, International Relations Department, Civil Protection Department, Italy

The role of the private sector in building resilience to disasters, *Philippe Melearts*, Public Sector Practice leader, Marsh

The EC Covenant of Mayors, *Name TBC*, Programme Manager, DG Energy, European Commission

The label "Territorial Risks management - for a resilient territory", *Guillaume Riou*, Project Manager, Poles Risques

10:00-10:30 Roundtable questions and answers

10:30-11:00 Concluding remarks and adoption of the statement

11:30-14:30 Transfer to the Arsenale and visit to the MOSE work site (by Consorzio Venezia Nuova)

15:00-19:00 Afternoon session: City to City Learning, sharing experiences for Cities Resilience (*upon invitation only*)