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**ARISE Network Leaders Meeting**  
**25 June 2024**  
**17:00 – 18:30 CEST**

**Agenda**

**Expected Outcomes:**

- Update on the progress made since last call.
- Recognition of the ARISE Board workplan for alignment and impactful delivery.
- Better understanding on how to incorporate DRR into business sustainability efforts.

**Place:**


- Onsite: UNDRR Geneva, 4th floor, Sendai Room
- Online: Please REGISTER in advance [https://undrr.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMLcu-sqTwtG90umNN12iw-y6Jz1\\_od9VvN](https://undrr.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMLcu-sqTwtG90umNN12iw-y6Jz1_od9VvN)

**Moderator:**


- Sarah Wade-Apicella, UNDRR

**Agenda:**


Time	Topic	Description	Speaker
17:00-17:10	Welcome remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome remarks (5 min.)</li> <li>• Welcome networks leaders and setting the scene for an impactful 2024-2025 biennium (5 min.)</li> </ul>	Kamal Kishore, Special Representative of the Secretary General (SRSG) for DRR and ARISE Co-Chair Terry Kinyua, Country Manager, Invest in Africa – Kenya and ARISE Co-Chair
17:10-17:30	Highlights of 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction (5 min.)</li> </ul>	Yezid Niño, Private Sector Advisor, Regional Office for Americas and the Caribbean, UNDRR and ARISE members

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	<b>Inspiring Action on the Ground</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mentorship program and Social Equity Fundamentals for DRR (5 min.)</li> <li>• Private sector and Resilient infrastructure (5 min.)</li> <li>• Early Warning Systems and DRR (5 min.)</li> </ul>	<p>Joyce Coffee, Climate Resilience Consulting, ARISE US</p> <p>Eduardo Kurokawa, Nippon Koei LAC do Brasil, ARISE Individual Member</p> <p>Carlos Doncel, Space Sur, ARISE Argentina</p>
<b>17:30-17:40</b>	<b>ARISE Board Workplan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ARISE Board Workplan (7 min.)</li> <li>• Q&amp;A (3 min.)</li> </ul>	Mahmoud Al-Burai, ARISE Vice-Chair (TBC)
<b>17:40-18:20</b>	<b>Roundtable Discussions</b>	<p>Introduction (5 min.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ To collaboratively identify and develop actionable strategies for enhancing disaster resilience and business sustainability across regional networks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Room 1 group discussion: Sustainability and Resilience (15 min.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>How can businesses integrate DRR into their sustainability strategies effectively?</b></li> <li>○ <b>What innovative practices have been successful in marrying sustainability with disaster resilience?</b></li> </ul> <p>If time allows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What are the common challenges businesses face in aligning DRR with sustainability goals?</li> <li>○ How can we measure the impact of sustainability initiatives on enhancing resilience?</li> <li>○ How can we promote a culture of resilience through sustainable business practices?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Room 2 group discussion: Resilience and the business strategy (15 min.)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Overall Moderator:</b> Luis Bonilla, Economic Affairs Officer, Regional Office for Americas and the Caribbean, UNDRR (TBC)</p> <p><b>Moderator Room 1:</b> Yezid Niño, Private Sector Advisor, Regional Office for Americas and the Caribbean, UNDRR</p> <p><b>Moderator Room 2:</b> Adriana Solano, Consejo Colombiano de Seguridad, ARISE Board (TBC)</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>How to incorporate resilience into the business strategy?</b></li> </ul> <p>If time allows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ How does the financial system can better screen to grant credits and other products/services using DRR criteria?</li> <li>○ How can we facilitate access to credit for investments in resilience?</li> <li>○ How to use DRR as a competitive advantage in the business strategy?</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Room 3 group discussion: Enhancing mentorship within networks (15 min.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>How can we improve the way in which networks learn from each other?</b></li> </ul> <p>If time allows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What are the key components of a successful mentorship program?</li> <li>○ What will be the expectations from both mentors and mentees in our Private Sector DRR mentorship programs?</li> <li>○ How can we tailor mentorship programs to address the specific needs of DRR initiatives?</li> <li>○ What metrics or feedback mechanisms can we establish to evaluate the effectiveness of the mentorship program?</li> </ul> <p>Report back to plenary (20 min.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Each group presents in the plenary (15 min. total / 5 min. each)</li> <li>● Q&amp;A (5 min.)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Moderator Room 3 (English):</b> Camila Tapias, SPIN Global, ARISE Board</p>
18:20-18:25	Any Other Business (AOB)		Sarah Wade-Apicella, Head Partnerships Unit, UNDRR
18:25-18:30	Closing remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Conclusions and closing remarks (5 min.)</li> </ul>	Terry Kinyua, Country Manager, Invest in Africa – Kenya and ARISE Co-Chair

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#### Documents for pre-read:

- [ARISE Board Workplan 2023-2026](#)
- [Action List](#)
- [ARISE Focus Areas and Key Performance Indicators \(KPIs\) 2022-2025](#)
- [ARISE global Terms of Reference \(ToR\)](#)