1. PURPOSE

To summarize and define action items from the ARISE Board Meeting.

2. MEETING INFORMATION

Date: 12 September 2023
Time: 12:30 – 14:00 CET
Location: UNDRR Geneva, 4th floor, Room No. 1 and Zoom
Attendance:

- *Board:*2020-2023: Mami Mizutori (UNDRR SRSG and Co-Chair); Hans-Peter Teufers (Co-Chair); Fernando Britto (Vice-Chair); Lizra Fabien; Liza Silerio;
  - 2023-2026: Satoshi Hijikata (with Yoshiko Abe); Alexander Pama; Brig Bhagat Khanna; Camila Tapias; Susana Fuentes; Adriana Solano Luque; David Greenall; Terry Kinyua; Mahmoud Al-Burai; Liam Carter
- *UNDRR:*
  - Sujit Mohanty; Abhilash Panda; Sarah Wade-Apicella; Erick Gonzales Rocha; Rahnuma Sultana; Devika Vohra (consultant); Julius Kabubi (Regional Office for Africa);

3. ACTION ITEMS

The following action items were identified:

No	Key Action Items	Owner/Lead	Deadline
1	Schedule the next meeting of board members	UNDRR	December 2023
2	Decide co-chair and vice-chair	UNDRR & ARISE Incoming Board	December 2023
3	Involve the new Board in a review of ARISE	UNDRR	through June 2024
4	Develop a new Board work plan	ARISE Incoming Board	March 2024

4. MINUTES

Welcome Remarks

- Mami Mizutori:
  - Appreciated 2020-2023 board members, Co-Chair (Hans-Peter) and Vice-Chair (Fernando) and welcomed 2023-2025 board members.

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- o Called upon the incoming board to discuss the challenges and find solutions for how the private sector and ARISE can become stronger drivers for the implementation of the Sendai framework.
- Hans-Peter Teufers:
  - o Recognized the collaborative efforts in making progresses and facing the challenges to date.
  - o Welcomed the incoming board and shared insights from the outgoing board in terms of accomplishments and remaining challenges.

Agenda Topic 1 – <u>Getting to Know the Incoming Board</u>

- Sujit Mohanty:
  - o Conveyed sincere appreciation to the outgoing board members for the efforts and guidance.
  - o Expressed enthusiasm for exploring additional opportunities in engaging the private sector for connecting and cooperating with other stakeholders too.
  - o Opened the round self-introductions and called for board members to share their key experience and interest brought to ARISE.
- Satoshi Hijikata:
  - o Expressed honour to be in the board for the second time and conveyed commitment to contribute effectively to the incoming board.
  - o Expressed the goal of including the priority in disaster risk in all thinking.
- Alexander Pama:
  - o Shared the experience in working with ARISE Philippines, highlighting his previous experience working in and linking initiatives with the government.
  - o Expressed a call to build upon what has been done by the outgoing board, in particular considering the Midterm Review (MTR) of the Sendai Framework under the guidance of UNDRR.
- Brig Bhagat K. Khanna:
  - o Shared the experience in working with ARISE India, including SMEs.
  - o Expressed the honour to be in the board.
- Camila Tapias:
  - o Shared the experience in working with ARISE US including on advocacy, communication and issues of justice, equality and diversity.
  - o Commits to increase the representation of women and young professionals.
  - o Expressed the long-term goal in leading the development and adoption of guidance for private sector partnerships and providing training and exercise for ARISE members.
- Susana Fuentes:
  - o Shared the experience in working on business continuity with ARISE.
  - o Expressed the honour to be in the board.
- Adriana Solano:
  - o Shared the experience in working on building resilient societies in Colombia with multiple stakeholders.
  - o Expressed the enthusiasm for working in new board and contributing to the ARISE initiative on disaster risk reduction.
- David Greenall:

- o Shared the experience in working with ARISE Canada and on the field of climate risk, decarbonization, biodiversity and adaptation.
  - o Appreciated the opportunity to advancing the objectives of Sendai Framework at the governance level and take ARISE to the next level with other incoming board members.
- Terry Kinyua:
  - o Shared the experience in working with ARISE West Africa on sustainability.
  - o She looks forward to contributing to SME disaster resilience, engaging policy makers and bringing good practices to regions.
- Mahmoud Al-Burai:
  - o Shared the experience in working with UNDRR, for example on the development of practical tools (e.g. Real Estate Resilience tool).
  - o He looks forward to sharing and implementing practices in enhancing the resilience.
- Liam Carter:
  - o Shared his experience in working with UNDRR in promoting regional resilience using insurance measures (e.g. Resiliency Benchmark).
  - o He looks forward to working with new board members and bringing good practices back to ARISE members.

Agenda Topic 2 – Current Board Update
Update on Board Activities
- Erick Gonzales Rocha, moderator:
  - o Provided an overview of ARISE with emphasis on its role in interacting with other stakeholders under UNDRR Sendai Stakeholder Engagement Mechanism (SEM).
  - o Introduced the structure of work plan of the outgoing board and its eight work streams (Advice & Guidance, Advocacy, Membership, AGM & Progress, Network Leader, National Networks, SEM, MTR) to approach the targets under the scheme of the Sendai Framework and the ARISE global ToR.
  - o Informed that after 2022, the board took decisions on three additional areas to reinforce: engaging membership, targeting mid-and high-cap companies, and advancing implementation of the four focus areas.
  - o Showcased how the KPIs are monitored with overall targets in terms of the percentage of networks working in the ARISE focus areas. Most targets were reached.
  - o Informed that the incoming board has flexibilty to set a new paradigm.
  - o Highlighted challenges relevant to the private sector that have been mentioned in the MTR of the Sendai Framework:
    - Risk-informed preventative financing lacking;
    - Response favoured over prevention;
    - Lack of access to risk data and risk knowledge.

Views from Board
- Hans-Peter Teufers:
  - o Remarked the previous achievements in creating the cross-cutting KPIs, incorporating network leaders, and promoting communication engagement.

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- o Highlighted the shared responsibility of all board members and addressed the importance of having a clear understanding on the goals and measured success.
- o Encouraged the incoming board to think about current challenges and opportunities. For example, how to increase the number of members? What to do with inactive members? How to make full use of the current membership? How to strengthen the resilient investment and climate action. How to strengthen the cooperation with other UN entities?
- o The details about the current challenges and opportunities will be shared in the letter on AGM on 13 September 2023.

Discussion

- • Abhilash Panda:
  - o Introduced the letter from the outgoing board to the to the incoming board (see section 5 on related documents).
  - o Called for feedback on the letter from the outgoing and incoming board.
  - o Opened the floor for discussion.
- • Liam Carter:
  - o Addressed the importance of changing the mind of customers. For instance, how to help insurance policy holders choose a more resilient policy? Agreed that changing the attitude of people is a challenge in front of ARISE members.
- • Hans-Peter Teufers:
  - o The guidance shared by Erick is coming from the experience in the past 3 years. Now the MTR and increasing knowledge about the impacts from climate change are available. KPIs could be adjusted based on this knowledge, if it is not too difficult.
  - o The board needs to consider the participation of members. For example, around 35% of members casted a vote in the last board election.
- • Mami Mizutori:
  - o The board needs to consider how to organically increase the connection between the global board and the networks. The reason that some members did not vote may be that they do not see the connection between the decisions of the global board and the work of networks and members. As the networks are growing and the board members are currently active networks' members, it would be great such connection could be further discussed.
- • Mahmoud Al-Burai:
  - o Mentioned the importance of sharing the practices in the local network and scaling the knowledge. A sharing platform is also supposed to be accessible to government, academia, and other stakeholders.
- • Yoshiko Abe
  - o Suggested to have a narrowed focus area to increase the engagement.
  - o However, a balanced needs to be achieved. If the focus is too narrow, some members may feel alienated. For example, a project in Japan focused on tourism, and some members feel that they were not able to contribute because it was outside their scope of knowledge/action.
  - o A balance should also be achieved between having wider targets and common goals.
- • Fernando Britto
  - o Emphasised the role of the board in serving ARISE and its members.
  - o Warm welcome to the new board members.

Closing remarks

- Hans-Peter Teufers:
    - Highlighted that the challenges of work are not changing though the board members changed. The outgoing board members are willing to share experiences and continue to work with ARISE from the perspective of their companies and own positions.
- Mami Mizutori:
    - The partnership of DRR is really growing and ARISE is always at the core of the partnership. If we can enhance the cross-fertilization between partners who are all engaged in DRR, the scaling up of our agenda and ARISE could also happen.
    - As Mami is leaving UNDRR at the end of this year, this is her last board meeting. She thanked everyone for all the dedication to make ARISE stronger. During the meeting, Mami expressed her confidence in ARISE's current position, attributing its success to the unwavering dedication of everyone involved.

5. RELATED DOCUMENTS

- ARISE board meeting agenda (September 12, 2023)
- Letter from ARISE board 2020-2023
- Draft Terms of Reference (ToR) for ARISE review
- ARISE Board Workplan 2020-2023
- ARISE Focus Areas and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) 2022-2025
- ARISE Board member responsibilities
- ARISE global Terms of Reference (ToR)
- ARISE Annual Report 2022