

Mainstreaming DRR and CCA

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International collaborative project entitled: "Mainstreaming Integrated Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaption Strategies into Coastal Urban Agglomeration Policy" led by Professor Richard Haigh, University Huddersfield's Global Disaster Resilience Centre was launched on the 3rd April 2017 in Jakarta, Indonesia. Its Indonesian based investigator is Dr Harkunti Rahayu from the Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Bandung Institute of Technology, Indonesia and the team also includes Professor Dilanthi Amaratunga from University of Huddersfield.



Photo: Professor Richard Haigh, University Huddersfield's Global Disaster Resilience Centre and Dr Harkunti Rahayu, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Bandung Institute of Technology – Indonesia

The project has the support of several key associate partners including: National Disaster Management Agency (BNPB); Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysical Agency (BMKG); Ministry of Agrarian and Spatial Planning; UNESCO ICG/IOTWMS; and University of Andalas.

Participants at the project kick off meeting included Anissa Febrina, Research and Innovation Programme Manager at the British Embassy, Jakarta, Teresa Birks, Director Education and society, British Council, Indonesia and Femmy Soemantri, Newton Fund Senior Programme Manager British Council, Indonesia.



Photos: top and bottom (launching the project)



About the project

This collaboration and research project entitled: "Mainstreaming Integrated Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaption Strategies into Coastal Urban Agglomeration Policy", will develop researcher capacity and novel, integrated DRR and CCA strategies that can protect centres of economic growth and development outcomes in coastal urban agglomerations. Through documented Indonesia case studies and international good practices, and a stakeholder map of DRR and CCA actors at the city level, the project will develop a multi stakeholder transition pathway and a clear policy statement on mainstreaming DRR and CCA in Indonesia's coastal urban agglomeration development plan.

The aim is to develop researcher capacity and novel, integrated DRR and CCA strategies that can protect centres of economic growth and development outcomes in coastal urban agglomerations.

The project will reduce disaster risk, including human and economic losses, and create more resilient, connected communities. It will foster multi-stakeholder involvement in development processes and equal participation of groups who are often excluded, such as women, children and youth, and people with disabilities. It will directly contribute to Indonesia's efforts in working towards the targets set out in the global agreements on disaster risk reduction (Sendai Framework), Climate Change (COP21) and Sustainable Development Goals.

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