

**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;
Mr. Corrado Clini, Minister for Environment (TBC)
Ms Margareta Wahlstrom, Special Representative of the Secretary General for Disaster Risk Reduction, United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction;
Ms Connie Hedegaard, European Commissioner for Climate Action, Directorate General for Climate Action, European Commission (TBC)

10:00-10:30 Campaign signing ceremony and photo opportunity

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

Cultural Heritage and Disaster Risk Reduction

Chair: Mr. Ozgur Ozaslan, Undersecretary of Ministry of Culture and Tourism, Turkey (TBC)

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, *Denis Baupin*, Vice 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.

12:00-12:30 Questions and Answers / Discussion

13:00-14:15 Lunch

Climate Change Adaptation

Chair: Ms Rosario Bento País, 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

Lisbon Climate Change Plan, *Antonio Costa*, Mayor of Lisbon (TBC)

15:30-16:00 Questions and answers

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

City to City exchanges: the value of sharing experiences

Chair: Tony Maguire, Mayor, Dublin, Ireland (TBC)

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

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

The experience of Byblos, *Mr. Ziad Hawat*, Mayor of Byblos

17:30-18:00 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, *Marsh* (Name of speaker TBC)

The EC Covenant of Mayors, *Pedro Ballesteros*, Programme Manager, DG Energy, European Commission (TBC)

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

10:00-10:30 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)

15:00-18:00 **Mayors' Session: City to City Learning, sharing experiences for Cities Resilience**