

## Concept Note

<b>Title</b>	<b>ICT Applications in the Pacific for Knowledge Sharing and Analysis for Disaster Management</b>
<b>Organisation(s):</b>	<b>ESCAP</b>
<b>Theme:</b>	<b>Theme 4: ICT Applications and Cybersecurity</b>
<b>Speaking Duration:</b>	<b>15 Minutes</b>
<b>Background and Justification:</b>	The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) through the Committees on Information and Communication Technology and the Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction, promotes coordination among ESCAP member states for the use of information, communication and space technology (ICST) for sustainable development, including disaster management, and provision of access to ICT to remote areas.
<b>Objectives:</b>	In the context of the high vulnerability of Pacific states to disasters, this presentation will introduce a mechanism for optimized cooperation for sharing knowledge and analysis for disaster management in the Pacific.
<b>Scope:</b>	The proposed Network of Networks, as an ICST system, consists of various disaster-related initiatives and networks in Asia and the Pacific, including space, GIS, Statistics and ICT among others, which play a key role in knowledge sharing and analysis for disaster management. Such integrated and consolidated knowledge would help facilitate evidence-based disaster response as well as plan the prevention of disasters in the future.
<b>Expected Outcome:</b>	ESCAP is in the process of identifying relevant sub-regional and regional networks and initiatives active in disaster management and obtaining feedbacks on proposed modalities and services from Member countries. ESCAP also wishes to discuss with the participants how such a network could assist the efforts of national disaster management as well as ICT authorities and be implemented at the national level.
<b>Potential Partners:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sub-regional and regional networks and initiatives active in disaster management</li> <li>• National disaster management authorities</li> <li>• ICT authorities</li> <li>• Academic and Research institutions</li> </ul>

<b>Project Timescale:</b>	
<b>Budget (optional):</b>	