



National Workshop on Use of Information and Communication Technologies in Disaster Management

Chaired by Mr. Patrick Masambu

Grand Imperial Hotel, Kampala, Uganda, 27-29 October 2009

DRAFT TENTATIVE PROGRAM AGENDA

Time	Themes	Speakers
DAY 0	MONDAY 26 OCTOBER 2009	
16:00-18:00	Registration of Delegates and distribution of documents	
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DAY 1	TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2009	
08:30-09:30 09:30-10:30	Registration of Delegates Opening Ceremony: 1. Mr. Patrick Masambu, Executive Director Uganda Communications Commission, and Event Chairman 2. Senior Adviser, Ms Asenath Mpatwa, ITU Regional Office, Addis Ababa 3. Hon. Minister of Information and Communications Technology (Uganda)	
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-12:00	Session I: Overview on the role of Information and Communication Technologies in Disaster Management today This session will provide an overview of disaster management today and the role that information and communication technologies play in this area covering all the phases of disaster management. Session I: Role of Geographical Information Systems (GIS) in disaster management The role of GIS before, during and after disasters will be discussed.	Dr. Cosmas L. Zavazava Head, Least Developed Countries, Small Island Developing States, and Emergency Telecommunications, BDT/ITU Geo-Information Communication Ltd 1. Mr Habtom Haile Guolai – (GIS Analyst) 2. Mr Isaac Wanasolo – (Training Supervisor)
12:00-12:45	Question and Answer Session	

12:45-14:00

14:00-16:30	Session II: Overview of Disaster Vulnerability in Uganda This session will focus on the various types of disasters that affect Uganda based on past experiences. Discussions will also look at potential threats to the country resulting	Ms Rose Nakabugo – Ministry of Relief and Disaster Preparedness
	from various factors to include climate change.	
16:30-16:45	Coffee Break	
16:45-18:15	Session IV: Connectivity for Lake Victoria Rescue Project	Mr Fred Masadde Head of Corporate Affairs, Zain Uganda
	This session will focus on the role played by public and private fixed and mobile networks in disaster management.	
18:15	End of Day	

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DAY 2 WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2009

09:00-10:30	Session V: Challenges of Climate Change and the role of ICT This session will discuss the challenges resulting from climate change and demonstrate the role of ICT in disaster risk reduction. There will be a panel discussion by various stakeholders.	Dr. Cosmas L. Zavazava Head, Least Developed Countries, Small Island Developing States, and Emergency Telecommunications, BDT/ITU	
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break		
11:00-12:45	Session VI: Role and challenges confronting Radio Amateurs in deploying telecommunication resources for disaster response This session will focus on the role that radio amateurs play in disaster preparedness and relief. Regulatory challenges will be discussed and officials from telecom regulatory authorities will be invited to contribute to this session.	Mr David Firth Africa Director of Engineering, Blessing for Obedience	
12:45-14:00	Lunch Break		
14:00-15.00	Session VII: Role of Industry and Private Telecom Sector This session will focus on the role of private telecom / service providers and manufacturers on disaster mitigation and relief operations. Various Telecommunications Technologies and Systems for disaster related to activities will be presented by the suppliers.	Mr Anthony Katamba (General /Legal & Corporate Services MTN Uganda)	
15:00-15:15	Coffee Break		
15:15-17:00	Session VIII: Role of United Nations and NGOs in using ICT networks in emergencies/humanitarian logistics This session will focus on challenges confronting United Nations and Non-governmental organizations in providing humanitarian assistance to affected countries.	Mr Johnson Nkuuhe MDG Advisor /UNDP	
17:00	End of Day		

DAY 3 THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER 2009

09:00-10:30	Session IX: LEGAL AND REGULATORY ASPECTS OF USING ICT FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT This session will discuss legal and regulatory aspects to the deployment and use of ICT within countries and across borders.	Panel Discussion 1. Dr. Cosmas L. Zavazava, ITU 2. Patrick Mwesigwa, Director/Technology & Licensing, UCC 3. Dr Godfrey Kibuuka, Director of Communications and Broadcasting Infrastructure, Ministry of Information and Communications Technology	
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break		
11:00-12:45	Session X: Designing National Emergency Telecommunication Plans This session addresses all aspects related to disaster preparedness including early warning systems, response, and reconstruction.	Cosmas L. Zavazava, ITU	
12:45-14:00	Lunch Break		
14:00-15:45	Session XI: Country Report During this session, a representative from the Ministry responsible for disaster management in Uganda will have an opportunity to present the current disaster management practices in their countries while also focusing on the planning and use of ICT. Presentations will answer key questions such as: - What are the existing communications systems in use for emergency development in Uganda? What are its replacement plans for future? - What policies, regulatory, and legislative issues need to be addressed at national level? Lessons learned from past disasters (constraints and challenges)	Government Representative of Ministry responsible for Disaster Management in Uganda Mr Martin Owori Ministry of Relief and Disaster Preparedness	
15:45-16:00	Coffee Break		
16:00-17:30	Session XII: Adoption of Final Report and Action Plan	Event Chairman	
17:00	Closing	Prof Tarsus Kabwegyere Minister of Relief and Disaster Preparedness	