

Resilient Cities June Update

30 June 2015

Congress summary

"Cities and climate change, cities and resilience...It's about saving lives!"
Jürgen Nimptsch, Mayor of Bonn.

Resilient Cities 2015 concluded on Wednesday, 10 June with solution-oriented discussions, insightful learnings and an inspiring feeling of community and purpose for continuous future work in urban resilience and adaptation.

For congress highlights, check out this short video:



After three intense days of congress sessions, smiling faces and motivated discussions showed that while the Resilient Cities 2015 congress had come to an end, the need and will to focus on the Urban Resilience Agenda had not. In the words of Ms. Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven, from the Federal Ministry of the Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) in Germany: *"What's clear is that acting on climate change is in your own interest"* prompting cities to continue putting pressure on states and demanding their rightful role in the climate change adaptation negotiations coming up in the next months.

In turn, we would like to prompt you all to keep the discussion alive and write to us about new relationships developed at the congress, new project ideas, as well as your questions and feedback on the event and on the topics brought up during those three days. We also invite you to discuss issues left open at the congress during our annual **webinar series** this fall; the next edition of **Resilient Cities Asia Pacific** in Melaka, Malaysia; and the Resilient Cities 2016.

Thank you all for your interest and support.

Your Resilient Cities Team



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Resilient Cities 2015 interview with Mr. Jerry Velasquez, Chief of Advocacy and Outreach, UNISDR

Video Interviews

We conducted a series of interviews at our Resilient Cities 2015 congress with mayors, international donors, scientists and practitioners in the field of urban resilience and adaptation.

To check out the videos, visit our [blog](#) or dedicated youtube channel.

[Resilient Cities 2015 interviews »](#)

Over **420** participants

58 city and city region representatives

Representatives from **56** countries from around the globe

Who was there - Resilient Cities 2015 in numbers

More than 420 participants convened in order to discuss key topics of resilience and adaptation. With 39 sessions, this year's congress offered dedicated forums and thematic tracks to satisfy a variety of attendees – including mayors, technical consultants, international donors and academia.

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Give us feedback for next year!



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Presentations and impressions:

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- Read more on the [Congress Blog](#).

What's next?

- **August:** *Congress Report* on the outcomes of Resilient Cities 2015 (find facts, stories, numbers and concrete outcomes of the event) on our [website](#).
- **September:** Keep an eye on our [website](#) for the announcement of our public *Call for Contributions* for the *Resilient Cities 2016* congress.
- **October:** Resilient Cities [Webinar Series](#) resumes: Learn from experts on adaptation and urban resilience. Dive deeper into the topics initiated at the congress in June and explore new themes for next year's congress.



Resilient Cities Asia-Pacific - reloaded!

At the Closing Plenary of Resilient Cities, the Chief Minister of Melaka State Government announced the next edition of **Resilient Cities Asia Pacific** - second regional forum on urban resilience and adaptation to climate change - to take place in **March 2016** in the **city of Melaka**, Malaysia.

Save the date and keep an eye on our [website](#) for updates!

Coming up: Partner Events

Check out the [ISOCARP 50th Anniversary Celebrations](#)

Click on our [Partner Events Page](#) for similar events.

About Resilient Cities:

Resilient Cities - The Annual Global Forum on Urban Resilience and Adaptation - is the global platform for urban resilience and climate change adaptation, hosted every year in Bonn, Germany.

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