

Media Advisory

Join us at Resilient Cities 2015 – the 6th edition of the Annual Global Forum on Urban Resilience and Adaptation

When: 8 – 10 June 2015

Where: Bonn, Germany

What is the Resilient Cities congress?

[Resilient Cities](#) was first launched in 2010 with the goal of connecting local government leaders and climate change adaptation experts to discuss adaptation challenges facing urban environments around the globe and forging partnerships that could have lasting impacts for cities. Five successful editions have made this goal a reality.

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What are the topics?

The event will offer a combination of high-level plenaries and technical sessions on

- ICT solutions for disaster risk management
- Resilient public health systems
- Integrated climate actions
- Financing the Resilient City
- Mainstreaming climate adaptation
- Urban food

What are the key program highlights?

- 8 June 2015, 10:00 - 12:30 – Opening Plenary
- 8 June 2015, 14:30 - 16:00 – A1 Panel: Progress on **measuring urban resilience** including the new ISO standards to be presented in a keynote address by Matthew Lynch and session organized with the World Council on City Data
- 8 June 2015, 16:45 - 18:15 – B3 Panel: Outcomes from the WCDRR and **implementing the Sendai Framework** at the local level, including the new Ten Essentials for Making Cities Resilient with UNISDR
- 9 June 2015, 9:00 - 10:30 – Opening Panel “**Finance Forum**” with Agence Française de Développement, representatives from development banks and multilateral financial institutions, intermediary organizations and cities

- 10 June 2015, 14:00 - 15:30 – H1 Panel: A **framework and diagnostic tools** to improve city resilience and secure inclusive economic growth - City examples from Ethiopia, Ghana, Uganda and Mozambique. A Cities Alliance Special Panel Discussion
- 10 June 2015, 9:00 - 10:30 – F4 Opening Panel “Urban Food Forum”: A **half-day Special Urban Food Forum** on new developments in sustainable, resilient city and city-region food systems featuring organized by RUAF Foundation and the CITYFOOD Network
- 8 / 9 / 10 June 2015 – **New Research** on climate change impacts and developments in researcher-practitioner collaboration from CDKN, MIT, and UCCRN, including a keynote address by Cynthia Rosenzweig
- 10 June 2015, 16:00 - 18:00 – Closing and Outlook Plenary

Who will be there?

Resilient Cities 2015 will attract around 300 participants from all around the world, including Mayors, high ranking city officials, representatives from development and UN agencies, researchers as well as potential financiers.

Who are the key speakers?

- Gino Van Begin, Secretary General, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability
- Jürgen Nimptsch, Mayor, City of Bonn, Germany; Vice-Chair, World Mayors Council on Climate Change
- Cynthia Rosenzweig, Senior Research Scientist at the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies, Head of the Climate Impacts Group

Where can I find more information?

Website	www.resilientcities2015.iclei.org
Blog	www.talkofthecities.iclei.org
Twitter	@ICLEI_ResCities #ResilientCities
Facebook	www.facebook.com/ICLEIWorld
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