

PARTNERS FOR RESILIENCE



Ecosystem-based Climate-Proof Disaster Risk Reduction

MFS 2 Proposal

The Alliance brings together unique expertise:

- The Netherlands Red Cross (NLRC) is within the Red Cross Movement one of the first National Societies that began implementing disaster risk reduction/climate change adaptation programmes;
- CARE Nederland is the lead agency within CARE International in the field of disaster risk reduction;
- Cordaid is the lead agency within Caritas in the field of disaster risk reduction. It has a strong network in the field and a focus on livelihood strategies;
- The Red Cross / Red Crescent Climate Centre (RCCC) is the knowledge centre on climate change related issues within the Red Cross Movement;
- Wetlands International (WI) is the sole global organisation focused on the sustainable use of wetlands. It has extensive experience in building resilient communities through restoration of ecosystems services, and integrating this approach into disaster risk.

Mission

We work together to strengthen the resilience of vulnerable communities to deal with:

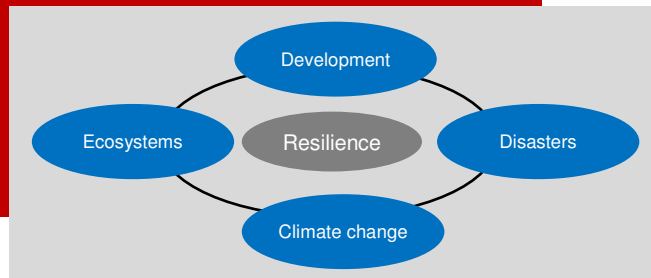
- increased disaster risks
 - the effects of climate change
- and
- environmental degradation

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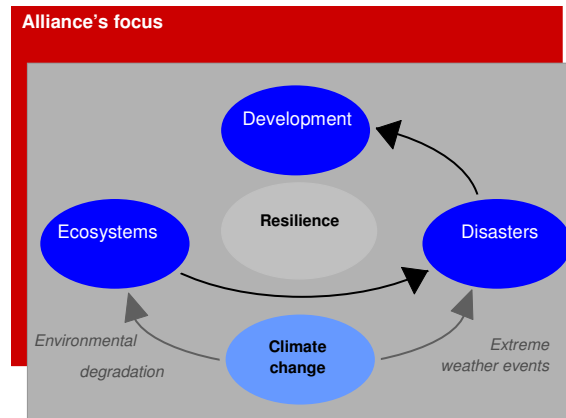
The name of the alliance stems from the belief of its members in the central role of *resilience* as the way to deal effectively with development in disaster-prone areas and affected ecosystems.

Resilience is defined as '*people's ability to withstand shocks in their environment and their capacity to protect their livelihoods*'.

Development is interrelated with disasters and ecosystems



Focus of the Alliance



Overall objective

The overall objective of the Resilience Alliance is to reduce the impact of natural hazards on vulnerable communities in nine countries.

There to, the alliance will help 750.000 to 1.000.000 vulnerable community members to strengthen their resilience and, consequently, sustain their development.

Geographical orientation

- **Africa:** Ethiopia, Kenya, Mali and Uganda
- **Central America:** Guatemala and Nicaragua
- **Asia:** Indonesia, the Philippines and India

Three intervention strategies

1. Strengthening community resilience
2. Strengthening of civil society
3. Policy dialogue and advocacy for stronger DRR/CCA/ECO policies and increased resources at all levels

PfR: next steps

- Decision by MoFA on November 1st
- Programs expected to start in early 2011
- Several programs focus on coastal and or delta areas: Indonesia, Philippines, India, Mali.