

# National Workshop for the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on Strengthening the Measure of Progress in Disaster Risk Reduction in Sub-Saharan Africa through the Sendai Framework Monitoring Process and Enhanced Disaster Loss Data

28 – 30 January 2025

## CONCEPT NOTE

### 1. Introduction

*A National Workshop on Strengthening the Measure of Progress in Disaster Risk Reduction in Sub-Saharan Africa through the Sendai Framework Monitoring Process and Enhanced Disaster Loss Data will be organized in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 28 to 30 January 2025 by the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in close collaboration with the Ethiopian Disaster Risk Management Commission (EDRMC) and the Ethiopian Statistical Service (ESS). The event is funded under the 11th European Development Fund's (EDF11) programme titled "Strengthening Disaster Risk Governance and Recovery Capacities."*

The main goal of the national workshop is to enhance the capacity to understand and map disaster-related and climate change statistics at the national level to inform and tailor policies to prioritize resources and build community resilience. This will be achieved by bringing together various stakeholders for hands-on training on priority topics related to disasters and climate change.

The target audience includes representatives from national agencies responsible for the collection and dissemination of disaster-related and climate change statistics such as EDRMC, ESS, and other relevant government ministries, non-governmental organizations, and academic institutions.

The workshop aims to achieve the following outcomes:

- Enhanced technical capacity of national stakeholders in disaster-related and climate change statistics.
- Improved understanding of international statistical frameworks and guidelines.
- Strengthened data governance and inter-agency collaboration.
- Increased awareness and use of scientific information sources.

### 2. Content Of the Workshop

The national workshop will consist of seven sessions:

**Session1: Opening and Introduction.** Country representatives and UN experts will introduce themselves and share information about the scope and goals of the workshop.

**Session 2: International requirements and national experience in Disaster-related and Climate Change Statistics and Policy.** UN experts will present frameworks related to environment and disaster-related statistics and policy, including the 2030 Agenda for SDGs, the Paris Agreement, and the Sendai

Framework. National agency representatives will share their experiences through presentations and a panel discussion with key national providers of disaster-related and climate change statistics.

**Session 3: Data Ecosystem: governance and sharing mechanisms.** UNEP experts will introduce data ecosystem governance and demonstrate the effective use of tools, data, and technologies, particularly focusing on Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Earth Observation. Afterward, participants will engage in an open discussion on data sharing and coordination mechanisms in Ethiopia. Following the discussion, ESS will be invited to present on the country's current data sharing practices, and UNEP will provide information on the legal aspects of data sharing processes, including an agreement to ensure data sharing and access.

**Session 4: Disaster-related Statistics: Overview of international frameworks and guidelines.** Experts from UNDRR and UNEP will present international statistical frameworks and guidelines to support the development of disaster-related statistics, including the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction and national reporting and the Disaster Related Statistics Framework (DRSF) developed by the Expert Group on Disaster-related Statistics in Asia and the Pacific. The session will focus on understanding the main international concepts and frameworks in disaster risk reduction and resilience, highlighting the connections between the Sendai Framework, the 2030 Agenda, and the SDGs. Additionally, participants will have the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the Sendai Framework Monitoring system and will be introduced to the self-assessment tool on data and statistics related to the Sendai Framework monitoring and reporting.

**Session 5: Climate Change Statistics: Overview of international statistical frameworks and guidelines.** UNEP experts will present the Global Set of Climate Change Statistics and Indicators recently adopted by the Statistical Commission, along with the newly drafted implementation guidelines. Special emphasis will be placed on the Climate Change Statistics and Indicators Self-Assessment Tool (CISAT) through group work.

**Session 6: Supporting national stakeholders in developing a roadmap for the Sendai Framework monitoring and reporting.** UNDRR and UNEP experts will present a template for developing a roadmap for the Sendai Framework monitoring and reporting at the national level and discuss the template with participants, filling in national information step by step.

**Session 7: Conclusions and Recommendations.** The workshop will conclude with recommendations, a summary of lessons learned, and feedback from participants. Each session will include time for questions, answers, and open discussions to facilitate comprehensive learning and engagement.

### **3. Organisation of the Workshop**

The national workshop will take place in Addis Ababa from January 28 to 30, 2025, between 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM. The organizers will notify all nominated participants of the exact venue via email closer to the date of the event.

In addition, towards the start of the national workshop, all nominated participants will be invited by UNEP to complete short pre- and post-workshop surveys.