

# 7th International Conference on Building Resilience

Using scientific knowledge to inform policy and practice in disaster risk reduction

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Call for Abstracts



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## Key Dates

12 September 2016: Abstract submission open

10 January 2017: Abstract submission close

15 February 2017: Abstracts notification

31 May 2017: Final paper submissions close

June 2017: Final paper notifications sent

July 2017: Registration opens

27 – 29 November 2017: 7th International Conference on Building Resilience

## In Support of

Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 - 2030 'Words Into Action' Implementation Guides

## Venue

Swissotel Nai Lert Park, Bangkok, Thailand

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The 7th International Conference on Building Resilience, with the theme 'Using scientific knowledge to inform policy and practice in disaster risk reduction', is jointly organised by the Global Disaster Resilience Centre at the University of Huddersfield in the United Kingdom, and Chiang Mai University, Naresuan University, and the Asian Disaster Preparedness Center in Thailand.

Reducing disaster risk is an issue cutting across different sectors, which requires trans-disciplinary and trans-boundary approaches with the support of the natural and social sciences, including for natural hazards and applied fields such as health, agriculture, economics, environment, engineering and technology. Science can and should play an important role in reducing risk and building the resilience of nations and communities to disasters.

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction charts the global course over the next 15 years. During the consultations and negotiations that led to its finalization, strong calls were made to develop practical, evidence based guidance to support implementation, ensure engagement and ownership of action by all stakeholders, and strengthen accountability in disaster risk reduction.

This conference will bring together the full diversity of the science community, policy makers, practitioners and researchers from all geographical regions, at local, national, regional and international levels to share state of the art research, and discuss how the science community will best support the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030.

The conference will also consider ways to support integration of Sendai with the Paris Agreement of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (Sustainable Development Goals).

## Themes

Contributions are encouraged, but not limited to, the following conference themes that are based on the priorities of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 - 2030

- Understanding disaster risk
- Strengthening disaster risk governance to manage disaster risk
- Investing in disaster risk reduction for resilience
- Enhancing disaster preparedness for effective response and to "Build Back Better" in recovery, rehabilitation and reconstruction

## Special features

- Inter-disciplinary themes; papers subject to double blind peer review by international scientific committee
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- Awards for best papers and special issue linked to the International Journal of Disaster Resilience in the Built Environment
- Doctoral school
- Panel discussions on the United Nations 'Words Into Action' Implementation guides for the Sendai Framework
- Special session on 'International cooperation and global partnerships for disaster risk reduction'

## Submission Types

We welcome contributions from a wide range of scientific disciplines, and perspectives from policy and practice. In order to accommodate this wide range of expertise, and promote the development of practical, evidence based guidance, submissions are welcome in the following forms:

### Academic Presentation

Abstract and full paper submission required, subject to double blind peer review

### Policy and Practice Presentation

Abstract submission only, non-peer review

### Doctoral School

Abstract and full paper submission required, subject to double blind peer review  
For students registered at recognised Higher Education Institutes

### Poster Presentation

Abstract and poster submission only, non-peer review

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