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Kick-off Ceremony on Sino-German Triangular Cooperation Project with Mongolia, Laos, and Cambodia on Disaster Risk Resilience & Workshop on Early Warning and Early Action

Background

Globally, slow and rapid onset disasters are increasing in number and intensity. The effects of climate change induced disaster events are being felt more heavily while economies still strive to recover from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. Since the outbreak of the pandemic, China has continued to provide support to other countries within its ability, in coping with major disasters and improving the global governance system in that regard. At the same time, Germany has cooperated with many countries and the United Nations (UN) Office of Disaster Risk Reduction in the fields of risk management, risk governance, disaster risk financing and the establishment of disaster resilient infrastructure.

In the sixth round of the Sino-German Government Consultations in 2021, China and Germany stressed the importance of international and multilateral cooperation to support the global economic recovery. Both sides emphasised that they have a wide range of cooperation areas in various fields such as climate change and green development. China and Germany share more than 35 years of successful bilateral development cooperation. With the inauguration of the Sino-German Center for Sustainable Development (CSD) in 2017 by both sides introduced a new chapter. As strategic partners, both countries are combining their international efforts towards building an inclusive, sustainable and resilient future together with lesser developed countries.

To provide complementary support for the development of third countries, Germany and China joined forces in 2021 on the topic of disaster risk reduction to develop triangular cooperation modalities. Combining the technical know-how, expertise and funding of both countries aims to create practical added value for third countries. Together with partners in China, a proposal for capacity building on disaster risk management for neighbouring countries in Asia was initiated. In the planning phase, partners in Cambodia, Laos and Mongolia were approached, who all showed an immediate interest in the topic and the triangular approach.

Against this background, the Ministry of Emergency Management of P.R. China (MEM) and National Disaster Risk Reduction Center of China (NDRCC) of MEM jointly with the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH on behalf of Federal German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) are conducting triangular pilot



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projects on disaster risk reduction in 2022. The goal is to support partners in Cambodia, Lao PDR and Mongolia to improve effective disaster risk mitigation, strengthen existing disaster prevention systems as well as build up risk resilience for SMEs. Additionally, the intervention aims to foster international cooperation to support the ability of all three countries to systematically cushioning risks and build up capacity for a more resilient infrastructure. In Mongolia the main partner will be the National Emergency Management Authority (NEMA), in Cambodia the National Committee for Disaster Management (NCDM) and in Laos the Secretariat of Central Disaster Management Committee (CDMC) of the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare.

The project activities are supported by Climate Risk and Resilience Project, a public private partnership (develoPPP) project commissioned by BMZ and jointly implemented by GIZ and Swiss Re. It aims at enhancing climate resilience of China's urban centers and their rural surroundings in order to reduce human and economic losses.

Objective of the Kick-Off and Workshop

The kick-off ceremony will launch this pilot project of triangular cooperation officially with all partners involved. In addition, the workshop will introduce the topic of early warning and early response systems in China and Germany. It will offer first practices and lessons learned on dealing with floods especially regarding urban areas. Moreover, the event will enable peer-to-peer learning and continuous cooperation among the participating partner countries in 2022. For each country specific follow-up activities will be conducted throughout 2022.

Time

22. March 2022

08:00- (German time)

15:00- (China Time)

Online Plattform

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Time	Agenda
Kick-off of the pilot project of the triangular cooperation	
Moderator: Mr. Florian Miss, Project Director, GIZ China	
14:45-14:55	Log in Online Participants / Registration
14:55-15:00	Introduction of Kick-Off Ceremony and Technical Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Florian Miss, Project Director, GIZ China
15:00-15:30	Welcoming Remarks (Each 5 Minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Guo Zhijun, Deputy Director-General of Department of International Cooperation and Rescue, MEM Mr. Jochen Weikert, Head of Cluster, GIZ China Mr. Zhang Xiaoning, Director-General of NDRCC, China H.E. Mr. Ma Norith, Deputy Secretary-General of NCDM, Cambodia Col. Baasansuren Dembereinyam, Director of Disaster Risk Management Department of NEMA, Mongolia
15:30-15:40	Brief Introduction of the Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Sun Yanna, Associate Researcher of International Cooperation Department of NDRCC, China
15:40-15:45	Group Photo (Online screenshot)
Technical exchange on early warning and early action	
Moderator: Ms. Guan Yuan, Director of International Cooperation Department of NDRCC	
15:45-16:00	Safety and Disaster Management in Germany <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Dr. Peter Schmiedtchen, Member of the Future Forum of Public Safety, Think Tank of German Federal Parliament and Personal Member of the German Committee for Disaster Reduction
16:00-16:15	The Status Quo and Prospects of Comprehensive Risk Monitoring and Early Warning for Natural Disasters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Wang Chenglei, Director of Early Warning Division, Department of Risk Monitoring and Integrated Disaster Reduction, MEM



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16:15-16:30	<p>From Risk Prevention to Risk Management. How Risk Transfer and Risk Financing Can Increase Resilience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Maxime Souvignet & Mr. Eike Behre, Senior Project Manager, United Nations University – Institute for Environment & Human Security (UNU-EHS)
16:30-16:45	<p>Experience Sharing on Disaster Prevention and Response for Urban Flooding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Peng Minrui, Director of Yellow River Basin and Huai River Basin Division, Flood Prevention and Drought Relief, MEM
16:45-17:00	<p>Financial Innovation in Disaster Risk Management Against Climate Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Lindsay Jiao, Senior Client Manager China, Public Sector Solutions, Swiss Re
17:00-17:15	<p>The Application of Risk Monitoring and Early Warning Technology for Multi-Hazards and Disaster Chains</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Tang Tong, Associate Researcher of Disaster Integrated Risk Monitoring and Early Warning Center of NDRCC
17:15-17:45	<p>Panel Discussion on Flooding protection in Mongolia, Laos and Cambodia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. So Socheath, Senior Technical Officer, NCDM of Cambodia • Capt. Amarjargal Batbaatar, Senior Specialist, Disaster Risk Management Department, NEMA Mongolia <p>Q&A</p>
17:45-18:00	<p>Closing Remark</p> <p>Ms. Yin Mingyu, Director of Bilateral Division of Department of International Cooperation and Rescue, MEM Mr. Florian Miss, Project Director, GIZ China</p>

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