

Rapid Assessment, Planning and Implementation for Development

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ACTIVITY PORTFOLIO (2020 – present)

Supporting COVID-19 recovery and green growth in Sri Lanka

Client: United Nations Development Programme

Beneficiary/audience: Government of Sri Lanka

Expertise provided: post-disaster recovery, COVID-19 socio-economic recovery, green growth, sustainable tourism

Timeframe: May, November - December 2020 (45 days)

Output: Inputs to internal UNDP and Government documents

Lecturing on climate change in Southeast Asia

Client: United States Foreign Service Institute

Beneficiary/audience: US Government

Expertise provided: climate change adaptation and mitigation, climate hazards, adaptive capacity, climate vulnerability, Southeast Asia focus

Timeframe: June 2020 – present

Output: 60-90 minute course with updated Powerpoint presentation

Developing guidance on the management of post-disaster recovery

Client: United Nations Development Programme

Beneficiary/audience: Tripartite partners (European Union, United Nations, World Bank)

Expertise provided: disaster risk management, institutional development, post-disaster recovery and reconstruction, case study development, editing, communications material

Timeframe: September – December 2020 (40 days)

Output: [Handbook on Recovery Institutions](#)

Leading research and analysis for Turkey's Pandemic Preparedness and Response Study

Client: World Bank

Beneficiary/audience: Government of Turkey

Expertise provided: Team management, disaster preparedness and response,

Timeframe: March – June 2021 (40 days)

Output: Inputs to [Additional Financing for Turkey's COVID-19-Pandemic-Response](#)

Providing services to start up the University of California Disaster Resilience Network

Client: University of California - Santa Barbara

Beneficiary/audience: University of California system

Expertise provided: program development, design and support of governance structure, fundraising, communications, team management, partnership development, reporting

Timeframe: July 2021 – December 2022 (half-time position)

Output: www.ucdrn.org

Leading multinational team to prepare post-COVID recovery framework for Africa

Client: United Nations Development Programme

Beneficiary/audience: African Union and its Member States

Expertise provided: team formulation and management, post-crisis recovery (social, economic, health systems), editing, presentational materials, client relations, reporting

Timeframe: June 2021 – February 2022 (120 days)

Output: [AU COVID-19 Recovery Framework](#)

Externally reviewing evaluation of World Bank engagement on disaster risk reduction

Client: Independent Evaluation Group

Beneficiary/audience: World Bank

Expertise provided: case study selection, evaluation methodology, understanding disaster risk, disaster risk mitigation, preparedness, resilient recovery

Timeframe: September 2021 – June 2022 (20 days)

Output: External reviewer inputs to [Reducing Disaster Risks to Natural Hazards](#)

Supporting World Bank engagement in the 5th World Reconstruction Conference

Client: Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery/World Bank

Beneficiary/audience: WRC partners (WB, UNDP, UNDRR, International Recovery Platform)

Expertise provided: Plenary and technical session design, recruitment of expertise, preparation of presentations and talking points, coordination with partners, conference logistics

Timeframe: March – July 2022 (25 days)

Output: Contributions to [WRC5 Knowledge Report](#)

Advising on the design and management of municipal reconstruction funds

Client: World Bank

Beneficiary/audience: Municipalities of Benghazi and Derna (Libya)

Expertise provided: urban reconstruction and planning, fund design, fund management, capacity building, training, workshop design and implementation

Timeframe: May – December 2022 (35 days)

Output: Presentations, lectures, workshop (Tunis, July 2022), workshop report

Preparing guidance on institutional arrangements for post-war recovery in Ukraine

Client: [World Bank](#)

Beneficiary/audience: Government of Ukraine

Expertise provided: institutional arrangements for recovery, good practices, lessons from international experience

Timeframe: June 2022 (5 days)

Output: Internal paper

Peer reviewing recovery capacity assessments for Caribbean nations

Client: [World Bank](#)

Beneficiary/audience: Governments of Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Guyana, and St. Vincent & the Grenadines

Expertise provided: post-disaster recovery, agriculture and tourism sectors, institutional and managerial capacity assessment

Timeframe: October-November 2022 (8 days)

Output: Inputs to [Sectoral Recovery Capacity Assessment](#)

Providing services to manage the University of California Disaster Resilience Network

Client: [University of California - Merced](#)

Beneficiary/audience: University of California system

Expertise provided: program development and management, support of governance structure, communications, team leadership, reporting

Timeframe: April – December 2023 (half-time position)

Output: www.ucdrn.org

Good practices in financing disaster recovery and building back better

Client: [Asian Disaster Reduction Center and International Recovery Platform \(UNDRR\)](#)

Beneficiary/audience: Cabinet Office/Government of Japan and G20 Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group

Expertise provided: case study development, economic costs of disasters, budgeting, financing instruments, coordination and allocation of budgets, fund management and tracking

Time frame: May – July 2023 (10 days)

Output: [Good Practices in Financing Recovery and Building Back Better](#)

Disaster Recovery Framework for Libya

Client: [World Bank](#)

Beneficiary: Flood-impacted communities in and around Derna

Expertise provided: guidance with preparation of disaster recovery framework; drafting of key chapters of framework; development of case studies on good practices

Time frame: December 2023 – present (25 days)

Output: In process

Resilient recovery and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction

Client: International Recovery Platform/UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction

Beneficiary: UNDRR, International Recovery Forum and IRP Steering Committee

Expertise provided: survey design; literature review; case study development; recovery preparedness, planning, management, finance, implementation, and resilience

Time frame: December 2023 – February 2024 (24 days)

Output: In process

Establishment of a trust fund to advance Indonesia's resilience

Clients: USAID Renewable Energy for Indonesia's Advancing Resilience; MENTARI (Towards Indonesia's Low Carbon Energy Transition)

Beneficiary: PT Sarana Multi Infrastruktur/Ministry of Finance, Indonesia

Expertise provided: trust fund design and management; infrastructure, renewable energy and climate finance; case study development; literature review; focus group discussions

Time frame: February 2024 – June 2025 (90 days equivalent)

Output: In process

Post-conflict recovery for Gaza and the West Bank

Client: World Bank

Beneficiary: Palestinian Authority

Expertise provided: international good practices and lessons learned; damage and needs assessment; recovery framework; recovery management; team leadership

Time frame: July 2024 – present (120 days equivalent)

Interim output: [Gaza Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment](#)

Using resilience indicators for project evaluation

Client: European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Beneficiary: EBRD

Expertise provided: resilience assessment framework; disaster risk management; resilience indicators; self-evaluation questions; additional M&E approaches

Time frame: July – November 2024; February 2025 – July 2025 (25 days equivalent)

Output: In process

Budget support for responding to climate damages and losses

Client: Fund for responding to Loss and Damage (FRLD)

Beneficiary: FRLD (UNFCCC and World Bank)

Expertise provided: climate finance; budget support; development policy lending; catastrophe contingency financing; case studies and lessons learned

Time frame: May-June 2025 (25 days equivalent)

Output: In process

Enhancing disaster risk management in Saudi Arabia

Client: The World Bank/Reimbursable Advisory Services

Beneficiary: KSA General Directorate of Civil Defense

Expertise provided: disaster risk management; emergency preparedness and response; diagnostic and policy development skills

Time frame: November 2025 – June 2026 (15+ days equivalent)

Output: Under development