

Beyond the walls – Identifying Decision Makers during Disasters

Workshop Synopsis

Disruptive events such as disasters and cascading effects of crisis have increased in frequency and scale. Such increase requires communities, institutions and organisations to build back better, commit to better preparedness, and to develop better anticipation capacities for future responses. While the focus had been on resilience, it is equally important in our quest for resilience to develop relevant and beneficial relationships that can both enhance preparedness efforts as well as response to future disasters.

This workshop is designed to help conservators identify

- ‘who’ they need to collaborate with;
- ‘how’ they can potentially develop necessary relationships that may help address problems associated with unanticipated risks, protection and access during disaster response;
- ‘what’ strategy to adopt for better protection.

Participants would have the opportunity to learn the potential impacts of unanticipated and emerging risks, the need for enhanced risk management as well as relationship with those responsible for responding to disasters.

Workshop uses examples around the world to explain the importance of developing relationships with emergency organisations, and how better relationship can help conservators address problems associated with planning for unanticipated risks and access issues during response.

Participants would come away with

- 1) Better understanding of unanticipated and emerging risks, and their potential threat to conservators’ efforts.
- 2) Strategies for developing and sustaining necessary relationship(s) for consolidating existing disaster plan.
- 3) Application of relationship(s) for better disaster preparedness and response.