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<b>Submitted by Lead Organization</b>	
<b>Name of the lead organization</b>	Republic of Turkey, The Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation
<b>City and country where the lead organization is based</b>	Ankara-Turkey
<b>Title of the event</b>	Urban Planning and Regeneration Approach for Disaster Risk Area in Turkey
<b>Date</b>	10/19/2016
<b>Room number</b>	R3
<b>Number of attendees</b>	61-80
<b>Percentage of women participating</b>	41-50%
<b>Background information on the event (themes, issues, context).</b>	<p>Turkey is among the countries most affected from disasters on a global scale due to its tectonic, seismic, topographic and climatic structures. Although disasters such as floods, landslides, rock falls, and avalanches are common in our country, earthquakes take the first place when evaluated in terms of their devastating effects. Turkey is located in a region with the most active fault zone on earth and always facing earthquake hazard and risk. Urban design has begun to be used within local planning for providing and maintaining qualified urban spaces. In order to enhance identity and life quality of residential and living zones within holistic planning, urban design projects are being prepared. Geological-geotechnical and microzonation investigation for development plan are prepared to reduce disaster risk. Especially after earthquakes, the government decided to take firm steps towards the demolition of illegal/risky buildings and the renewal of aged buildings. Need for housing renewal due to aged stock becomes more and more important. The urban regeneration process in Turkey is based on the “Law on the Regeneration of Areas under Disaster Risk” that entered into force in 2012. The Law specifically focuses on risk areas that are defined as areas that may cause loss of life or assets during disasters. Works regarding risk zones, risky buildings, reserve area, financial supports (loan, rent subsidy, source transfer, etc.) are being carried out through urban regeneration practices.</p>
<b>Concise summary of the event proceedings, including key points discussed</b>	Implementation and legal arrangements of Turkey on urban planning and regeneration approach for disaster risk areas



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<b>Recommendations that emerged from these discussions.</b>	The event provided an opportunity to share data, knowledge and experiences in an effort to advance on the implementation of sustainable urban development in cities and towns focusing on disaster risk management.
<b>Name, nationality, title and organization of the 1st speaker at your event.</b>	Yavuz Erdal Kayapinar, Turkish, Opening Speech, Republic of Turkey, The Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation
<b>Name, nationality, title and organization of the 2nd speaker at your event.</b>	Ayşe Caglayan, Turkish, Urban Planning and Regeneration Approach for Disaster Risk Area in Turkey, Republic of Turkey, The Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation
<b>Name, nationality, title and organization of the 3rd speaker at your event.</b>	Bülent Yalazi, Turkish, Regeneration Approach for Disaster Risk Area