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Considering the [Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030](#) we expect submissions to be aligned, in particular, with priority 2 “Strengthening disaster risk governance to manage disaster risk”.

Track: **2B**

## Risk Governance: Lessons From the Past and Future Trends

### Description of Track Scope

Risk governance is the cornerstone of policies to strengthen disaster risk reduction. This implies specific institutional systems, legal frameworks and policy mechanisms that lead to innovation and compliance with international recommendations. But, more importantly, risk governance must integrate public participation and the capacity to deal with uncertainty and global challenges. Global and emerging risks demand new analytic tools and flexible risk regulations regimes that allow for the incorporation of multi-level and multi-disciplinary approaches. In the scope of The Sendai Framework, adaptive governance integrates social, political, economical and ecological dimensions in defining policy priorities and their territorial expression.

In the configuration of effective risk management practices science plays a specific role, but in constructive dialogue with local knowledge and practices and sustainable ways of living. Special emphasis must be given to institutional arrangements that manage to incorporate different stakeholders and ways of participating that contribute to robust citizenship and emancipatory practices.

## Main Questions

- What is the role of public participation in the enactment of adaptive governance?
- What institutional configurations foster innovation and effective policies for disaster risk reduction?
- What is the role of science in adaptive governance and the relevance of incorporating local and traditional knowledges in disaster risk reduction policies?
- How can adaptive governance strengthen citizenship and the right to have rights?

## Themes

- Regimes of risk regulation and risk governance
- Adaptive governance and its main dimensions
- Institutional arrangements and public participation
- Adaptive governance and citizenship practices
- Legal frameworks and effective risk reduction
- Territorial dimensions of risk governance and sustainable development
- Main challenges of global risk governance
- Global risks and the role of nation-states
- Methodological issues in adaptive governance analysis
- Science and adaptive governance
- Local knowledges and adaptive governance

## Deadline

Abstract submissions close 15 April 2018, 12PM, GMT + 1,00 TIME.

For more information and online submission, please visit [buildresilience.org/2018](http://buildresilience.org/2018)

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