

Disaster Risk Finance Academy: Affordable Disaster Risk Insurance through Public-Private Partnerships Istanbul, Türkiye | April 7-11, 2025

Agenda

Program Description: In partnership with the Turkish Catastrophe Insurance Pool (TCIP), the Insurance Development Forum, and academic partners, the Disaster Risk Finance Academy: Affordable Disaster Risk Insurance through Public-Private Partnerships Program's objective is to help countries accelerate the development of disaster insurance markets through PPIPs.

Participants in this program will:

1. Understand how effective PPIPs are developed, learning from larger-scale programs in peer countries with proven impact
2. Learn the essential elements for PPIPs and disaster-risk finance which can contribute to increased resilience and more stable growth
3. Work with local and international academia, think-tanks, private sector, and other stakeholders to identify the building blocks of high-quality disaster insurance markets and risk-finance mechanisms fitted to the needs and challenges in their country.

Location: Istanbul, Türkiye

Running Order

Day 1		
Introductions, Overview and Fundamentals of DRF		
8:30-9:15	Opening ceremony	Opening remarks, introduction to the program, expectations for the week
9:15-9:30	Introductions	Delegates introduce themselves to each other and share intentions for the week.
9:30-10:30	Context and ambition in my country – Part 1	Delegates will present - 5 minutes each country - on their risk profile, disaster risk finance in their country, their objectives and expectations for the week
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:15	Fundamentals of DRF	Framing presentation as foundation for the week
11:15-12:15	Context and ambition in my country – Part 2	Delegates will present - 5 minutes each country - on their risk profile, DRF Agenda in their country, their objectives, and expectations for the week
12:15-13:15	Lunch	
Sovereign Disaster Risk Insurance and Finance and Public Finance Management		
13:15-14:15	Disaster risk-based budgeting	Technical framing presentation DRBB entry points & illustrative cases with interactive participation from country delegates
14:00-14:15	Disaster funds: how to get them right	Technical framing presentation
14:15-14:45	Experience of disaster funds in my country	Select country delegates will present their experience: Morocco will focus on successes and lessons learned with FSEC, Moldova will focus on lessons learned and ambitions for next steps
14:45-15:15	Coffee Break	
15:15-16:15	What instruments can my country access to finance disaster response? The WB Crisis Response Toolkit	WB World Café Style – 4/5 rotating topics of discussion in groups with host expert
16:15-16:45	Discussions in country groups to identify relevant lessons and actions	
16:45-17:00	Wrapping up and key takeaways	
19:00	Networking dinner	
Day 2		
Enhancing Financial Resilience for Households and MSMEs		

8:30-8:45	Recap day 1 and look forward to day 2	
8:45-9:15	Protecting vulnerable households	Framing presentation on value of building financial resilience of households, and how this might differ for countries with greater or less developed markets.
9:15 – 9:30	Experience of delivering sovereign support through digital payments	Country delegate to share their experience
9:30 - 10:15	Group exercise	Countries to discuss the delivery mechanisms in respective countries and how to strengthen their reach.
10:15-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:15	Protecting vulnerable MSMEs	Framing on impact of natural catastrophes on MSMEs and the jobs market, including risk coping strategies and role of access to finance. Discussion on experiences from COVID-19.
11:15 – 11:45	Experience of protecting businesses	WB to present a program to support financing for MFIs to on lend to firms and others affected by climate shocks (Pakistan) and use this for a group discussion on eligibility criterion for the MFIs/firms to access option, structure of financing, and evaluation
11:45 - 12:15	Private sector perspective	Q&A with AXA Climate on the impact of protecting critical infrastructure on the economy, ensure business and service continuity, and stabilize government expenditures and revenue, fiscal stability and market impact.
12:15-13:15	Lunch	
Getting Agriculture Insurance Right		
13:15-13:30	Introduction to Agriculture Insurance	Framing on the motivation for, and main elements of agricultural insurance
13:30-14:00	The Role of Public and Private Sector	Framing on public private insurance partnerships, their value, and key elements
14:00 -14:45	Interactive discussion on unblocking private sector involvement	Group discussions, led by IFC insurance specialist
14:45-15:15	Experience of agriculture insurance in my country	Presentation from delegates on select examples: Morocco to cover experience to date, challenges, role of public and private sectors, ambition for the future; Albania to cover their challenges, lessons learned from international experience, ambition for the future

15:15-15:30	Coffee Break	
15:30 – 16:30	Technical Session with TARSIM (Turkey)	Presentation on successes and lessons learned from implementing agricultural insurance in Türkiye
16:30-17:00	Discussions in country groups to identify relevant lessons and actions	
17:00-17:15	Wrapping up and key takeaways	
Evening	Optional: informal meet the experts	
Day 3		
Developing Catastrophe Insurance Market		
8:30-8:45	Recap day 2 and look forward to day 3	
8:45-9:00	Introduction to property catastrophe insurance	Technical presentation on key concepts
9:00-10:30	Public-private partnerships in property catastrophe insurance	World Café on: (i) Understanding the Problem, (ii) Design and Development and (iii) Solution Implementation
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-12:15	International Experience Sharing	Short talks to share international experience on catastrophe insurance PPPs (Morocco, Kyrgyz Republic, New Zealand, Insurance Development Forum [IDF]) World Café Style – interactive
12:15-13:15	Lunch with each delegations coming up with key takeaways	
13:15-13:30	Wrapping up and key takeaways	
Study Visit		
13:30-17:30	Study Visit to Turkish Catastrophe Insurance Pool (TCIP)	Led by TCIP team, study visit will focus on technical design, risk modeling and data, governance, legal environment, implementation, etc.
Day 4		
Insurance Development Forum (IDF) – Private Sector Exchange		
8:30-8:45	Recap of day 3 and look forward to day 4	
8:45-10:30	IDF Presentations	Introduction and presentations from IDF members on how the market operates, what they look for, what helps getting support, factors private sector consider in entering or supporting private-public insurance partnerships
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:45	Regional Programs Overview	Presentation from WB on experience of regional risk finance initiatives

		Experience shared from Djibouti on their experience of a regional program, including benefits and challenges
11:45-12:00	Wrapping up and key messages	
12:00-13:00	Lunch	
13:00-14:30	Group exercise	Delegates will be split into groups to develop ideas jointly with IDF members for presentation on specific DRF topics and pitch the ideas in shark tank / dragon's den style
15:30-18:00	Visit to earthquake observatory	Visit to the Kandilli Observatory and Earthquake Research Institute
18:00	Gala Dinner	
Day 5		
Translating Knowledge into Action and Outcomes		
8:30-8:45	Recap of day 4 and look forward to the final day	
8:45-9:30	Soft skills #1, TBC	Training from the university on how to implement what was learned during the week in practice
9:30-10:30	Soft skills #2, TBC	Training from the university on how to implement what was learned during the week in practice
10:30-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-11:30	Action Plans	Country teams to wrap up the week with an action plan
11:30-12:15	Shark Tank Judging	
12:15-13:00	Lunch	
13:00-13:30	Certificate Distribution and Closing Remarks	

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