SWVR Policy Challenge

The State of the World’s Volunteerism Report (SWVR) looks at the distinctive role of volunteerism in strengthening community resilience, and the enabling environment that can help maximise the contribution of volunteers around the world to risk reduction efforts.

As part of the report development process, qualitative field research was carried out in 15 communities globally to understand what communities saw as the distinctive contribution of volunteerism to resilience, and the environmental factors that influenced the impact of volunteer work.

Based on the meta-analysis - emerging findings from that field research
across the 15 communities - the SWVR project is looking to bring in different groups of people to make policy suggestions, some of which may be incorporated into the final report.

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HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

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FORMAT

The format of the Policy Challenge is up to you, since you should adapt to what would be most interesting and accessible for your participants.

We highly recommend doing something other than a formal meeting. This could be a visit to a local place that inspires your group, a walk and talk in the neighbourhood, a group skype conversation, a brown bag discussion at work, or any other format that will get people in a brainstorming mood!

What we need at the end is a short input – for example a written or video report or infographic - which can be uploaded onto this website to give others a chance to interact and share suggestions. You can be as creative as you like!
MORE INFORMATION

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