

SECOND INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
“STATE OF THE ART OF THEORETICAL- PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE ON COMMUNITY
RESILIENCE. CONTEMPORARY EXPERIENCES AND GOOD PRACTICES”
HAVANA, CUBA, FROM NOVEMBER 19 TO 22, 2024

FIRST COMMUNICATION

Invitation

The Ibero-American Network for the Formation of Resilient Communities against Risks and Disasters due to Extreme Natural Events (RIFOREDEx), the Ibero-American Program of Science and Technology for Development (CYTED) and the University of Havana as host, are pleased to invite:

- The community of researchers and participants of the Ibero-American Science and Technology for Development Program (CYTED);
- The members of the Ibero-American Network for the Formation of Resilient Communities against Risks and Disasters due to Extreme Natural Events (RIFOREDEx);
- The international networks, mechanisms, foundations, NGOs and agencies of international organizations in the host country and in the countries represented in the network, and throughout Latin America and the Caribbean and worldwide, linked to the issue of resilience;
- The academic and research community and specialists from governmental and non-governmental institutions of the host country, of the countries represented in the network and of all of Latin America and the Caribbean and the world with interests in the topic of resilience and transversal axes;
- And in particular, to the leaders of national and international projects and members of these who carry out or have carried out actions of a diverse nature to build resilience in the host country;

...To participate as delegates, lecturers, speakers and the public interested in the topic, in order to contribute to the analysis, discussion and dissemination of scientific knowledge, experiences and good practices in the construction of community resilience, which provide significant benefits in the construction of more resilient, sustainable and inclusive societies.

The 2nd International Symposium will host the following events:

- 3rd. In-person Coordination Meeting of the RIFOREDEx Network “Assessment of the scientific contribution of the RIFOREDEx network to community resilience”, which will take place on November 19, 2024 in the morning session with the participation of the focal points of the network from the member countries and guests.
- 2nd. International Course “The art of knowledge in building resilience. Relevant international experiences” that will take place on November 19 and 20, 2024. The first day in the afternoon session (PM) and the second, in two sessions (AM and PM), with an expected attendance of 6



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keynote speakers from Cuba, Spain, Mexico, Honduras and the United States and 120 registered between in-person and virtual.

- 3rd International Seminar "Multiple approaches in building community resilience. Contemporary experiences and good practices", on November 21 and 22, 2024, in two sessions (AM and PM), with an expected attendance of 120 registered speakers, Speakers, Guests from international organizations of the UN in Cuba, Directors of national and international projects and other organizations that work on the issue of community resilience in the face of disasters, members of the Faculty of Geography and other faculties of the University of Havana, the provincial and municipal government of Havana and students of university courses related to the issue.

In the 2nd International Course will address relevant topics of the state of the art of theoretical knowledge in community resilience:

- Currents of thought on resilience and community resilience
- Resilience from a philosophical perspective
- Resilience from the vision of the Sendai framework and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- The pillars and antepillars of resilience
- Approaches of United Nations organizations to strengthen resilience
- The systems-based approach to resilience.

The 3rd International Seminar will be developed based on the analysis and discussion of the works presented in thematic tables:

- Table 1. Theory and practice of building resilience in communities with vulnerabilities
- Table 2. Theory and practice of building resilience in natural ecosystems
- Table 3. Theory and practice of building resilience on a social, cultural and economic scale
- Table 4. Theory and practice of building resilience based on Adaptation to Climate Change (ACC) and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) as its axes.
- Table 5. Contemporary manifestations in the construction of resilience in any area of society.
- Table 6. Currents of thought on building resilience in the world.
- Table 7. Presentation of the Global Network of Academics, Researchers and Professionals for South-South and North-South cooperation on Community Resilience".

Finally, we reiterate our invitation, with the assurance that you will be welcome to Havana, Cuba, and in particular, to your university Alma Mater, so that together, with the contribution of all those who dare to participate, we find the best ways to make resilience an increasingly relevant tool with which our societies are guided along the path of sustainability.



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We ask interested parties to stay tuned for the publication of the second communication (July) where details will be provided on the presentation of summaries and contributions, deadlines and characteristics, modalities and other matters of interest.

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