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## INDM 2009 - 4th International Conference on Disaster Management and Civil Defence for National Resiliency

INDM 2009 in its 4th year was held in Tehran and Mashad from March 1 - 4, 2009. By putting the focus on resiliency, the conference organizer has chosen a complementary approach to the standardized, integrated risk management process. GRF President Walter J. Ammann was asked to give a key-note lecture entitled "[On the](#)

[role of Resilience in Integral Risk Management](#)".

### Visit "Turning the Tide" - photo exhibition

The British Council, the Maldives Mission in Geneva and the Global Risk Forum GRF Davos invite you to visit "Turning the Tide", a photo exhibition that will take place during the annual session of the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva in March 2009.

[Click here for more information!](#)

Dear colleague,

Since the launch of the Platform for Networks in October 2008 we have made many improvements. We can now announce to you the new version of the GRF Platform for Networks.

## Platform for Networks in a new Version

Networking, engaging in discussions and conversation, fostering professional alliances, providing a periodic assessment on established and emerging risks - these are the essential elements of the Global Risk Forum GRF Davos Platform for Networks.

The Platform provides the opportunity to join a number of specific virtual Circles, which are actively managed by the members and are categorised according to a specific interest or common theme. Within the Circles the members are given the opportunity to develop, share and exchange knowledge, ideas, publications, experiences, best practice solutions and any other facet of learning with the intention of acquiring valuable information or seeking solutions to particular projects and problems.

Sign up now and start to profit today from this forum and meeting-place!

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## World Water Day - Water Scarcity and Conflict!

"The world's 263 transboundary lake and river basins include the territory of 145 countries and cover nearly half half of the Earth's land surface." ([source: World Water Day](#))

Although seldom the trigger for wars, the thirst and desperation created by water shortage or threatened water supply fuels existing tensions between peoples.

### ***Is Ignorance a convenient excuse for inaction?***

[Click here for more information and to join the discussion circle about "Water Scarcity and Conflict!"](#)

## Turning the Tide - Making a change

Turning the Tide presents the stories of young people from all around the World whose lives and ultimately human rights are affected by the everyday reality of climate change.

The British Council, the Permanent Mission of the Maldives to the United Nations office at Geneva and the Global Risk Forum GRF Davos have jointly organised "Turning the Tide", an international Climate Change photo exhibition during the main annual Session of the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva. The exhibition is on display at the Palais des Nations from 3 to 30 March 2009.

The pictures and the texts from more than 30 young people are very impressive:

*"Nothing will start if I do not start it in my mind!"*

[See the pictures!](#)

We kindly invite you to check our webpage at [www.grforum.org](http://www.grforum.org) for more information and updates.

Warm Regards.

Your GRF Davos Team