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Congratulatory Remarks

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I would like to extend my warmest greeting to all participants attending the 18th International Conference on Crisis and Emergency Management. I also would like to extend my gratitude to the International Society for Crisis and Emergency Management (ISCEM) on the arrangement to bring all of us together to share and learn for further collaborative solutions.

We have gone from global warming to global boiling because our developments in each part of the world have not been in a very sustainable way. Although we have invested in risk reduction for decade, the presence of disasters and severity of impacts are continuously increasing. The speed of environmental degradation impacts and disaster risks outrun the speed of our solutions.

Several factors, which are regulations, financial incentives, community based designs, spatial analytic-data governance, and technological advancement, come into the attention of practitioners and academia to design better risk reduction measures and more resilient society. Not only does prevention and mitigation we focus, preparedness and response are as crucial while disaster impacts are still severe. Build-back-better in the process of recovery and rehabilitation are indeed need to take into account risk foresight with sustainable design.

The conference brings all lessons learned from different crises and emergency managements to share, whether the same risks or different impacts, while the governance system, law and culture of each of the countries are vary. The fruitful discussion and analyses from the conference will help constructing the knowledge and applicable measures to shape more effectiveness and efficiency to the disaster risk governance locally and globally.

I look forward to the analytical lessons learned and knowledge shared of the ICCEM and wish you all the best to any development to come.

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