RCRC Foundations in Resilience

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RCRC and Resilience

- Since its creation, the RCRC Movement has been guided by humanitarian values and principles that mandate NSs to help individuals and communities both to prepare for and overcome adversity and disaster.

- In 1875, Gustave Moynier, Co-founder, stated that ‘foresight’ was essential in RC work and asked members to make preparations during peacetime for a possible war.
In 1984 Swedish RC published a study (in response to the famine in Ethiopia) which played a key role in guiding RCRC community based preparedness programmes. It advocated for a multi-sectoral risk reduction approach as a forerunner of later community resilience work.

“Prevention better than Cure” (1984)
1990’s

- ‘International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction’
- DRR evolved from a hazard focused technocratic approach to a more people centred approach.

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- 1994: Code of Conduct highlighted importance of vulnerability reduction
- 1999: DP Policy and first VCA Guidelines were developed
2000 - 2004

- UN-ISDR was created.

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- IFRC hosted ‘ProVention Consortium’
- ‘Strategy 2010’ stressed that DP was link between response, recovery and development.
- WDR 2002 and 2004 focused on risk reduction and community resilience
2005 - 2010

- Hyogo Framework referred to ‘building the resilience of nations and communities’ (2005).
- GFDRR was created (2006).

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- 2006-2008: IFRC developed VCA manuals and toolkit.
- 2008-9: Global Community Resilience Forums held in Oslo
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- 2010: Strategy 2020 underlines the role of community resilience in sustainable development.
- 2010-13: ARUP studies identify community resilience characteristics.
Key Outcomes of the Cali Forum

1. Roll out the IFRC Framework for Community Resilience
2. An operational guide for community resilience
3. IFRC Communication Guidance
4. One Billion Coalition for Resilience
2015 -

- Paris Climate Agreement signed

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- December 2015: One Billion Coalition for Resilience officially launched at 32nd International Conference
- 2017: IFRC Community Resilience package developed
Influence the WCDRR outcome documents;
Support an enabling environment for RCRC DRR work;
Profile the RCRC work for DRR;
Build partnerships.

1BC – IFRC’s voluntary commitment to SFDRR
2017: IFRC Community Resilience Package

1) IFRC Framework for Community Resilience
2) Road Map to Community Resilience (summary, video)
3) IFRC Communication Guidance on Community Resilience
Road Map to Community Resilience

- **RCRC approach and role:**
  - 1. Risk-informed
  - 2. Holistic (system oriented)
  - 3. Demand driven
  - 4. People-centered
  - 5. Inclusive
  - 6. Preventing suffering

- **Stages:**
  - **Stage 1:** Engage & Connect
  - **Stage 2:** Understand Community Risk & Resilience
  - **Stage 3:** Taking Action for Resilience
  - **Stage 4:** Learning for Resilience
Thank you

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