

Avoidable Deaths Network's Winter -Spring 2025 Bulletin

The Avoidable Deaths Network (ADN) is pleased to announce the upcoming events, which will be held in different countries, across the globe and through the Winter-Spring season.

There are two types of events: closed and open. The closed events are facilitated for closed audiences or participants. The participants are, generally speaking, policymakers, NGOs and first responders involved in risk, crisis, disasters and development activities in low-and middle-income countries, and sometimes for the ADN members only. The open events are facilitated for the general public, ADN's Affiliates and Partners. These Sessions are suitable for disaster responders, students, academics, researchers, policymakers, opinion formers, and practitioners interested in avoidable deaths, the UN's Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction's Global Targets A and B, and the Sustainable Development Goals.

The details of the upcoming events for the Winter-Spring season are below. All these events are open except for the 3 March 2025

Upcoming Events:

$\underline{28\ February\ 2025}$ – Deadline for Submissions: Let Your Art Be the Catalyst for Change

Young creatives from across Sub-Saharan Africa are invited to submit poetry, prose, and photography exploring the impact of avoidable deaths caused by maternal mortality, snakebites, drowning, and silicosis. This initiative is part of the ADN's global campaign, International Awareness Day for Avoidable Deaths' (IAD4AD), which aims to raise awareness through creative expression.

For more details, please click <u>here</u>. For queries, email: <u>art4life@coalng.org</u>

<u>03 March 2025</u> – Launch of New Project Funded by ESRC-ARC Accelerate Fund for Reproductive Health Kits in Disasters and Crises

ADN is pleased to launch the Facility and Mobile Reproductive Health Kits for Disasters and Crises commercialisation phase in the month of the global campaign, IAD4AD. These Kits are designed to reduce avoidable maternal deaths from post-abortion complications during disasters and crises.

<u>06 or 07 March 2025</u> – Webinar: Avoidable Deaths in Disasters, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India

To mark the global campaign, IAD4AD this webinar will explore different types of avoidable disaster deaths, causes and circumstances that lead to avoidable disaster deaths and identify solutions to reduce avoidable disaster deaths.

<u>12 March 2025</u> – Lighting up of the iconic Attenborough Tower

The University of Leicester's iconic Attenborough Tower, will be illuminated blue and green at 6.30 pm (GMT) to mark the global campaign, IAD4AD. To see the lights switch on, please assemble at 6.15 pm in front of the Charles Wilson Library.

<u>13 March 2025</u> – Launch of Junior Champion Magazine – Vol. 3

The third volume of the Junior Champion Magazine will be launched, featuring articles written by children and youths affected by disasters in Malawi. To read the ADN Junior Champions Magazine, please click <u>here</u>.

<u>17 March 2025</u> – UNOCHA HNPW Webinar: Land-Based Approaches to Address Human-Induced Disaster Adaptation

This webinar will discuss land-based solutions for mitigating human-induced disasters and adapting to climate challenges. Experts will explore innovative approaches in land management, conservation, and community resilience. To register, please click <u>here.</u>

<u>19 March 2025</u> – UNOCHA HNPW Webinar: The Impact of Climate-Related Disasters on Early Marriage and Reproductive Health in Bangladesh

This session will highlight the link between climate-related disasters, early marriage, and reproductive health issues in Bangladesh. Speakers will share insights on how disasters exacerbate vulnerabilities for young girls and women. To register, please click <u>here</u>.

<u>21 March 2025</u> – UNOCHA HNPW Webinar: Debate on the Scope of Social Media During Crisis Communication

A thought-provoking debate on the role of social media in crisis communication, misinformation, and public engagement during disasters. Panelists will discuss both the opportunities and challenges of digital platforms in emergency response.

To register, please click here.

<u>24 March 2025</u> – UNOCHA HNPW Webinar: Why Do So Many People Die in Disasters and How Can We Reduce Them? (*In-Person Event*)

This session will investigate systemic reasons behind high disaster mortality rates and identify strategies to minimize preventable deaths. Experts will discuss policies and practices that can improve disaster preparedness and response.

To register, please click here.

<u>26 March 2025</u> – UNOCHA HNPW Webinar: Anticipatory Action to Avoid Deaths in Urban Areas (*In-Person Event*)

This event will explore anticipatory action frameworks designed to mitigate disaster risks in rapidly growing urban areas. Discussions will focus on early warning systems, infrastructure resilience, and community-led solutions. To register, please click <u>here</u>.

<u>28 March 2025</u> – Webinar: Localized Impact of Microplastics on Youth Health and Environmental Injustice

This webinar will address the growing threat of microplastic pollution and its impact on youth health and environmental justice. Experts will discuss how policy interventions and community action can reduce microplastic exposure and health risks.

<u>30 March 2025</u> – Launching COAL-ADN Case Station for Avoidable Deaths Poets

The COAL-ADN Case Station will be launched as a platform for poets to use their creative voices in raising awareness about avoidable deaths. The initiative encourages poetry as a catalyst for advocacy and action in disaster prevention.

$\underline{1\mbox{-}31\ March\ 2025}$ – International Awareness Day and Month for Avoidable Deaths

To mark the second year of the global campaign over 30 activities are planned worldwide throughout March led by ADN Advisory Board Members, Regional Coordinators and Operational Team Members from 30+ institutions across 20 countries. More information about this year's activities for IAD4AD please <u>click here</u>.

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