

## NEEDS 3

### 3rd Northern European Conference on Emergency and Disaster Studies

21-23 March 2018

Hosted by: VU University Amsterdam



*View from the conference venue*

#### Previous keynote speakers

2015 Susan Cutter, Anthony Oliver-Smith, Theodore Steinberg

2017 Dorothea Hilhorst, Kathleen Tierney, Greg Bankoff, Per Læg Reid

We are happy to announce the third edition of the Northern European Conference on Emergency and Disaster Studies! In 2018 the conference will be hosted by the VU University in Amsterdam in the Amsterdam public library (located in the heart of the historic city center).

The accelerating frequency and magnitude of natural and man-made disasters has spawned the development of numerous disaster research centres, projects, and networks across the globe. Scientists, academics, humanitarians, engineers, and private companies are but a few of the actors to emerge over the past decades, reflecting the truly interdisciplinary character of the expanded crisis and disaster field.

The NEEDS conference aims to explore the status quo of crisis and disaster research and management. The conference wishes to harness its broad, interdisciplinary expertise by gathering crisis and disaster researchers from academic institutions and practitioners from the crisis and disaster management community to build networks and to discuss the most pressing issues in disaster research across the academic and practical disciplines.

In 2018 we wish to continue the NEEDS tradition of bringing together academics and practitioners from a range of disciplines. Panels will focus on topics such as disaster risk reduction, community response, crisis communication and social media, resilience, crisis governance, social networks, humanitarian aid, and disaster tales and popular culture.

Mark your agendas for NEEDS 2018!

## Call for panels, papers & suggestions

For the NEEDS 2018 edition we welcome ideas for panels, tracks, demonstrations, special issue themes or other conference activities, as well as sponsoring opportunities.

Panel proposals should be submitted by 1 September 2017 to [needs.fsw@vu.nl](mailto:needs.fsw@vu.nl). You may submit a panel proposal within the scope of the conference, or within one of the suggested themes. A panel is a minimum of 3 - 4 papers and a proposal should include an overview of the panel topic (450 words). Papers are welcome from both experienced and new doctoral students and of both an empirical and theoretical nature. For more information please contact the NEEDS 2018 team.

## Conference program & deadlines

Date	Deadlines
01-09-2017	Deadline Panel Proposals
01-12-2017	Deadline Paper Abstracts
01-03-2018	Deadline Full Paper

Date	Conference Program
20-03-2018	PhD Workshop (at VU University)
21-03-2018	Conference starts at 13:00
22-03-2018	Full Conference Day & Conference Dinner
23-03-2018	Conference ends at 13:00

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We look forward to welcoming you to Amsterdam in 2018!