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The theme of the Congress, as recommended at Emergency 86 in Barcelona, will be 'Disaster - Education, Training and Public Information'. This will be designed to cover all aspects of disaster management training and education, recognised to be the most cost effective method of disaster preparedness.

The Congress programme was jointly planned by experts from the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator (UNDRO), the International Civil Defence Organisation (ICDO), the League of Red Cross & Red Crescent Societies (LORCS) and the Institute of Civil Defence (ICD) London. It covers four days, each dedicated to a subsidiary theme, namely:

1. Professional emergency planning education.
2. Training in disaster management.
3. Technical training.
4. Information and education for the public.

Each theme covers several topics, each to be introduced by specialists who will initiate discussion on the best possible measures to achieve effective disaster management and public education. Experts' presentations will also demonstrate 'best practice' in various areas of educational methods.

The official languages of the Congress will be English, Arabic, French and Spanish. A simultaneous translation service will be in operation during the presentations and discussions.

For more information, please contact:

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**Beijing 17–18 September 1989**

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