



Global Forum for Urban and Regional Resilience (GFURR)

Facilitating a Global Conversation
on Resilience

GFURR Origins

2000

World Institute for Disaster Risk Management

2008

Center for Community Security and Resilience

2012

University Strategic Plan Calls for Focus on Resilience

2013

President Announces Creation of a University Center on Resilience

2014

Global Forum Becomes Operational

GFURR Faculty and Staff

- Four academic appointments
- One post-doc research assistant professor
- Visiting faculty positions
- Six to eight PhD students (multi-disciplinary)
- Five to seven active affiliated faculty
- Three support staff



GFURR Mission: Key Ideas

- **Facilitate conversations on resilience both internally and externally through workshops and conferences**
 - Internal GFURR links include:
 - School of Public and International Affairs, Network Dynamics and Simulation Systems Lab, Disaster Risk Management, Social and Decision Analytics Lab, Discovery Analytics Center, Virginia Tech Research Center-Arlington.
 - External
 - Five International Conferences (+ one forthcoming in Sept)
 - Two workshops (+ Riva workshop in June)



GFURR Mission: Key Ideas

- **Expand theoretical and analytical approaches**
 - Theoretical
 - Normative theory and resilience
 - Critical theory
 - Advanced analytics
 - Network Analysis and visualization
 - Data mining of big data

GFURR as a Repository for Resilience Data

GFURR Mission: Key Ideas

- Research and scholarship on specific themes and perspectives with focus on multi-disciplinary approaches and transition practice
- Political economy of resilience, particularly with respect to cities and regions

Focus of Afternoon Presentations