## IDNDR Regional Unit for the Americas

## **Publications and Information:**

- Regional press release and Spanish translation of IDNDR background information for press, widely disseminated throughout the region
- Campaign sticker on Cities at Risk (Spanish and English)
- ► IDNDR Informs regional newsletter, one issue dedicated to cities at risk (Spanish and English)
- ► BIBLIODES: Cities at Risk bibliographic reference summary and articles. (Joint PAHO-IDNDR publication)

## Events

The Regional Office participated in the following campaign-related events:

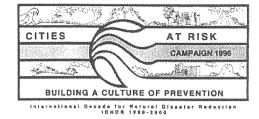
► In Costa Rica and Chile, April, in two Conference for Local Authotities and Disaster reduction (see more in Country reports)

- Mexico, CENAPRED (the National Center for Disaster Prevention): organized a two days seminar in October on Disaster Prevention, where IDNDRpresented an opening statement together with PAHO.
- ► City of Cordoba, Argentina: sent a big package of information and an opening statement for a Civil Protection week on community level, and for an upcoming Conference on Disaster Prevention for Municipality level nation wide (7-9 November)
- Costa Rica: the Hemispheric Geological Symposium was co-

organized by the IDNDR Regional

Office for 9-13 of Sept. where the Cities at Risk topic was widely discussed.

On Oct. 9th IDNDR participated in an official activity and simulacrus at a School, where both the Regional Office Representative and STC member Philippe Masure participated. Later the same day they participated in a roundtable discussion at the Costa Rican University (OCR) about lessons learnt from recent Hurricane Cesar. which was part of the Day celebration.





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- ► City of Merida, Venezuela: the Regional IDNDR Office sent a representative (Allan Lavell) to give opening speech, distribute "City at Risk" booklet and leaflets and to give a paper on Urban Risks and Environmental Degradation.
- ► The IDNDR Office also sent a representative for the 4th International Congress on Disasters in Cuba, in Havanna, Cuba, 12-15 Nov, to talk on the Cities at Risk theme.

