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The International day for Disaster Reduction celebrates the ways in which individuals and communities are reducing their vulnerability in face of disasters and the increase in awareness around the subject. In 2015, #IDDR was celebrated on October 13, under the slogan “Knowledge for Life”, which recognizes the importance of indigenous and ancestral knowledge.

National Societies that implement the RITA project carried out a number of activities within the framework of the #IDDR, together with the communities that are part of the program. Here is a photo-report on the celebrations that took place in the region.



Chile: community beach clean-up and a Closing Ceremony for the RITA project in the Biobio region.



Colombia: forum on “Knowledge for Life” with the participation of the Wayúu indigenous groups.

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Costa Rica

Regional fair in the Puntarenas province, with information stands, practical demonstrations and activities for children.



Ecuador

Inter-institutional fair to raise community awareness in Huaquillas about activities focused on risk reduction.

Additionally, an education activity was held at the Special Education Institute, with both school's students and teachers.

El Salvador

A fair featuring the achievements and actions implemented in the beneficiary communities, as well as preparation drills carried out by community members.



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Nicaragua

A walk for risk management and information stands on disaster reduction, water and sanitation, among others.

Panama

A community health day in Chorrera, including medical exams, such as measuring blood pressure and weight, as well as talks on hand washing, among others.

In Changuinola and Chorrera, students participated in school parades.



Peru

A night drill, with the participation of national and civil military, the local government, as well as community brigades and the local committee on Water and Sanitation.