



A full day symposium: Focusing on Innovation and Creativity in Risk Communication in memory of Pablo Suarez

ABOUT

Risk Resonance Day is a full-day symposium showcasing innovation and creativity in risk communication. It will bring together practitioners, communications professionals, researchers and policymakers involved in communicating a wide range of risks to diverse audiences. The event will offer fresh perspectives on impactful communication from leaders in the visual arts, media, music and other creative fields to inspire and push out the boundaries of risk communication. It will also provide a forum to learn from others, to consider what has worked, what has gone wrong, what was unique, and what can be replicated or scaled.

The aim of this event is to connect people motivated to help the public understand risks better and to take informed decisions, with a view to achieving healthier and safer outcomes for everyone.

WHO IS IT FOR

- Professionals in public, private and civil society organizations involved in assessing, reducing and managing risks who are interested in the role of communication.
- Frontline risk practitioners working with communities to identify and manage risks.
- Researchers from across disciplines including decision science, communications and media, healthcare, safety, environmental sciences, disaster risk reduction, psychology and behavioural sciences, etc.
- Creatives working in risk communication or adjacent fields.
- Journalists and communications experts with knowledge to share.
- Funders and donors concerned with the human elements of disaster risk reduction .

PROGRAM (provisional)

Risk Resonance will be held on 22 October 2026 in Abu Dhabi as part of the Understanding Risk Global Forum 2026.

ILLUMINATE

Opening Performance
Plenary: Big Ideas for Risk Communications

SHARE

Morning Panel Sessions - Inspire: Showcasing innovation in risk communication

CONNECT - Make Lunch

Lunch Networking Activity: Join a group to prepare a delicious lunch with local ingredients

INSPIRE

Afternoon Panel Sessions - Illuminate: Curated presentations by creatives and artists

Hands-on Sessions: Join a group to tackle a risk communication challenge and get feedback from the Illuminate Panel members

CELEBRATE

Networking Reception and Exhibition

SUBMIT

Submissions are welcome for:

- Curated panels with 3-4 speakers
- Individual 15 minute presentations: Case studies, demos, evaluations and reflections
- Art and performance pieces seeking to contribute to the public understanding of risk

All submissions to be made through the UR26 Portal.

Risk Resonance is organised by UR and the Global Risk Communication Network, will take place at Understanding Risk Global Forum (UR26), Abu Dhabi, October 22, 2026 In partnership with..