



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DAY 1



**Ms. Margareta Wahlström,**

*Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction*

Ms. Wahlström has extensive experience in both disaster relief operations and disaster risk management, with the United Nations system and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. Her broad experience spans conflict and non-conflict emergencies, and addressing long-term issues of sustainable development.

Ms. Wahlström is also the head of UNISDR, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction which is the focal point in the United Nations system for the coordination of disaster reduction. Under the SRSG's leadership, UNISDR is in charge of supporting the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015: Building the Resilience of Nations and Communities to Disasters throughout the world and to facilitate the process of developing a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction.

Read the Day 1 Plenary Panel (11:30 – 13:00) – Post Sendai: Engaging and Enlisting Older People in Sustainable Development and Disaster Risk Reduction at the Local Level that Ms. Wahlstrom is opening for [here](#).