

Puerto Rico RISE(ing)

2018 RISE Convergence Workshop: Projects, Priorities, and Partners Informing an Action-based Research Network

Summary

Following the September 2017 landfall of Hurricane Maria, millions of Americans awoke to an island devastated by wind and water - an altered landscape of fallen trees, toppled transmission lines, and broken shelters. In the months that followed, most were left stranded without power, communication, or adequate support. Today, many communities are still suffering from the effects of the neglected infrastructural systems that Maria exposed.

This workshop will bring together collaborators from the National Institute for Island Energy and Sustainability (INESI), University of Puerto Rico affiliates, local organizational leaders, and island stakeholders to:

- 1) Identify, articulate and map our collaborative capacity as an inter university collaborative convergence platform;
- 2) Develop a consensus on a proper organizational and governance structure for the RISE-PR platform;
- 3) Define critical research questions and possible project interventions;
- 4) Establish programatic and project task teams to move the collective effort of shaping a more resilient Puerto Rico.

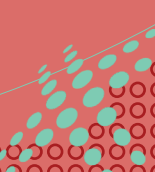
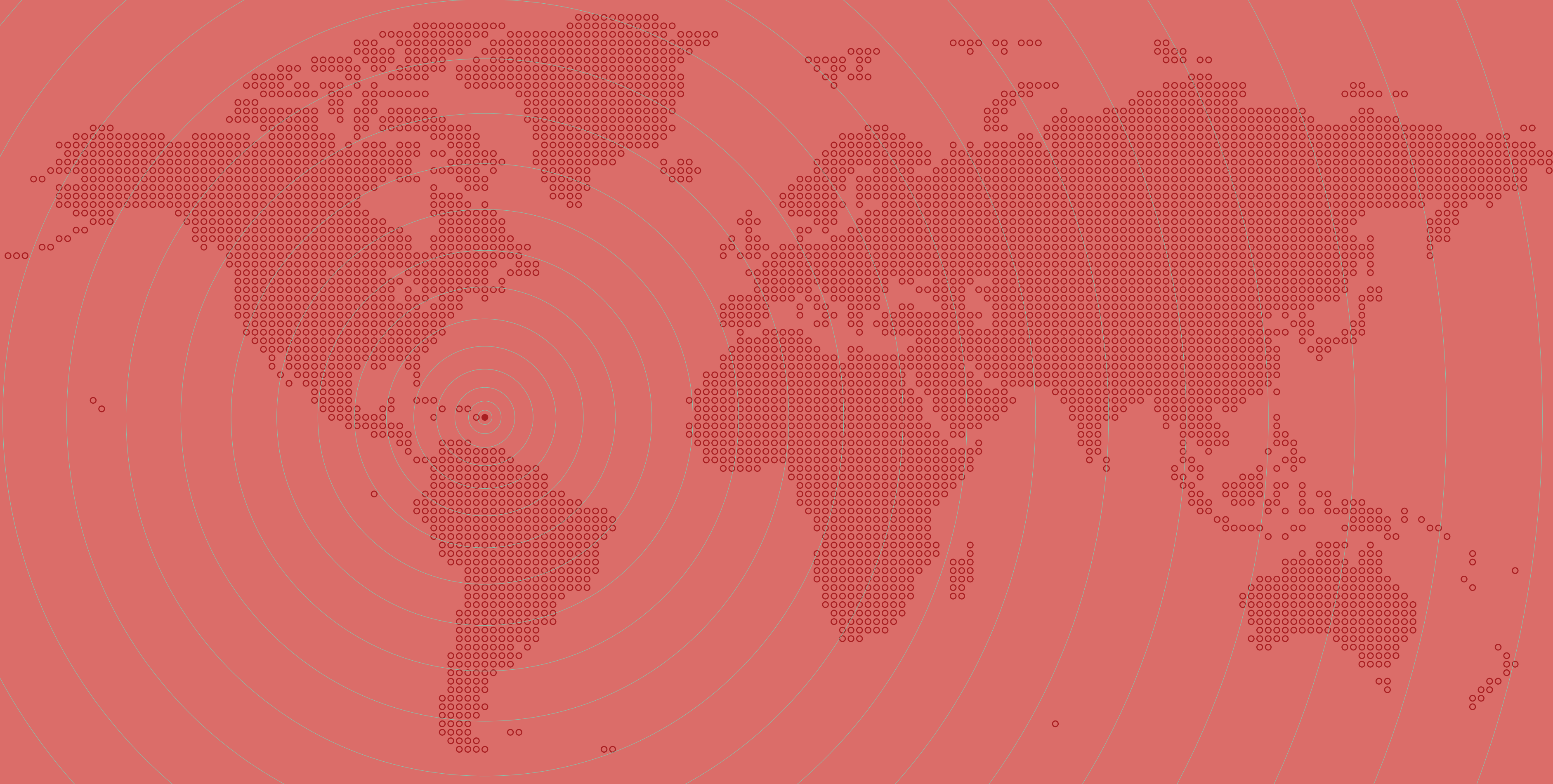
These activities will create a common vision of collaboration and convergence strategies to direct the emerging RISE platform and enhance the resilience of ALL participants' communities, localities, and organizations.

Schedule

Thursday, June 21st, 9:00 - 5:00
Making Priorities through GeoDesign Vision-Formation

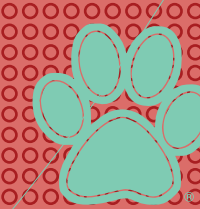
Friday, June 22nd - 9:00 - 5:00
Pathways Charrette: downscaling visions into community-driven projects

Saturday June 23rd - 10:00 - 4:00
Convergence Conversations: connecting communities and partners



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