

# **Report of Session 5 (Group B) of DRH-Asia Beijing WS**

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# 1. Find it with Google

- **Search by ‘disaster reduction technology’: OK , only PDF file**
- **Search by ‘disaster indigenous knowledge’: worked almost the same as PDF**
- **Search by ‘disaster technology database’: found a PDF, and then took a lot of efforts to find the link (url) of DRH-Asia**

## **2. Impressions of the site**

- **No contact info in the website (has a link to NIED, which does not have link to hyperbase, just Tsukuba address)**
- **Move something like “introduction” to the top**
- **No “what’s new”, ‘New Contents’ is confusing, DRH-Asia website is more than a DRH-database**
- **Email update of new contents**
- **No information for how DRH-Asia is organized and its connection with DRH-China, Iran, and other countries.**
- **From the user point of view: how to get ? How to add proposal? How to discuss? About DRH?**
- **Links to other initiatives**

## **3. Submit content**

- **How to submit content → not clear. → If not login & click forum, then nothing appeared → should inform user to login**
- **The submitting page is long, and slow to access**
- **No info about where to download the excel file for template?**
- **The word 'forum' for submitting proposal only could be misleading, free forum should be also available there**

## 4. Search for content

- Now, 'search 'is limited to DRH database (template) only
- People don't have any idea about what is IOT, PT, TIK
- Meaning of 'country' is not clear (contributor's affiliation? Technology's origin? or application area? )

## **5. Use the forum**

- **More boards should be available in the forum**
- **One board for submitting proposal**
- **Boards for free discussion, etc.**

## **6. Login**

- **No error message if login failed**
- **Change 'signup' to 'register'**
- **Two login links in the same page , remove one**

## 7. New ideas

- **Extend searching DRH-Asia database to searching DRH website, and all linked websites**
- **Need direct links to specific TIK, IOT, PT contents, without register. login, or searching**
- **Should have a short summary of every technologies and then details**
- **Add slideshare for every project**
- **Select just part of contents from database, and create PDF file automatically for printing**
- **Technical meeting to develop data (database, links) exchange schema**