Acrónimos

ACC: Administrative Committee on Coordination (now CEB), United Nations
ACDS: African Centre for Disaster Studies, Potchefstroom University, South Africa
ACMAD: African Center of Meteorological Applications for Development (Centre africain des applications de la météorologie pour le développement), Niamey, Niger
ACS: Association of Caribbean States, Trinidad and Tobago
ADB: Asian Development Bank, Manila, Philippines
ADESO: Asociación para la investigación del desarrollo sostenible de las Segovias, Nicaragua
ADMIN: Australian Disaster Management Information Network
ADPC: Asian Disaster Preparedness Center, Thailand
ADRC: Asian Disaster Reduction Center, Japan
ADRRN: Asian Disaster Reduction and Response Network
AECF: European Centre on Floods/Centre Européen sur les Inondations, Moldova
AEDES: Agence Européenne pour le Développement et la Santé, Belgium
AEGDM: ASEAN Experts Group on Disaster Management
AIDB: African Development Bank
AFEM: European Natural Disasters Training Centre/Centre Européen de Formation sur les Risques, Turkey
AGIS: Agriculture Geo-referenced Information System
AGMP: Agricultural Meteorology Programme, WMO
AGRHYMET: Specialized Hydrometeorological Institute of the Permanent Interstate Committee for Drought Control in the SAHEL (CILSS).
AGSO: Australian Geological Survey Organization
AIDIS: Asociación Interamericana de Ingeniería Sanitaria y Ambiental (Panamerican Engineering Association for the Public Health and Environment)
AIST: National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Japan
AIT: Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand
AJWS: American Jewish World Services
AKNF: Africa Knowledge Networks Forum
ALIDES: Alianza para el Desarrollo Sostenible (Alliance for Sustainable Development), Central America
ALITE: Augmented Logistics Intervention Team for Emergencies
ANAFAE: Honduran National Network for the Promotion of Ecological Agriculture
AOSIS: Alliance of Small Islands States
APEC: Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation, Singapore
APELL: Awareness and Preparedness for Emergencies at the Local Level (UNEP)
APUR: Atelier Parisien d’Urbanisme, France
ARC: Agricultural Research Council, South Africa
ARF: ASEAN Regional Forum
ARPDM: ASEAN Regional Program on Disaster Management
ART: Alternative Risk Transfer
ARTEMIS: Advanced Real Time Environmental Information Monitoring System
ASEAN: Association of South East Asian Nations
AU: African Union
AUDMP: Asian Urban Disaster Mitigation Program, ADPC, Thailand
AusDIN: Australian Disaster Information Network
AVHRR: Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer
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BCAS  Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies
BCPR  Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP (formerly Emergency Response Division)
BenfieldHRC  Benfield Hazard Research Centre, University College London, United Kingdom
BHRC  Building and Housing Research Centre, Iran
BIBEX  Biomass Burning Experiment
BICEPP  Business and Industry Council for Emergency Planning and Preparedness
BIT  Bandung Institute of Technology, Indonesia
BPIEPC  Bureau de la protection des infrastructures essentielles et de la protection civile, Canada. See also: OCIEPE, Office of Critical Infrastructure Protection and Emergency Preparedness
BRGM  Bureau de recherches géologiques et minières, France
BWG  Bundesamt für Wasser und Geologie (Federal Office for Water and Geology), Switzerland

CABEI  Central American Bank for Economic Integration, Honduras
CAC  Consejo Agrícola Centroamericano (Central American Agricultural Advisory Board)
CAF  Corporación Andina de Fomento (Andean Development Corporation), Venezuela
CAMI  Central American Mitigation Initiative
CARDIN  Caribbean Disaster Information Network
CARE  Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere
CARICOM  Caribbean Community
CAS  National Academy of Sciences, China
CAT  Catastrophe bonds
CATEX  Catastrophic Risk Exchange
CBD  Convention on Biological Diversity, United Nations
CBDM  Community Based Disaster Management
CEBOT  Chicago Board of Trade
CBRI  Central Building Research Institute, India
CCA  Common Country Assessment
CCAD  Comisión Centroamericana de Ambiente y Desarrollo (Central American Commission for Environment and Development), El Salvador
CCFSC  Central Committee for Flood and Storm Control, Viet Nam
CCGC  Coordinating Council for Disaster Management, Mozambique
CCOP  Coordinating Committee for Coastal and Offshore Geoscience Programmes in East and Southeast Asia, Thailand
CCP  Cluster Cities Project
CDB  Caribbean Development Bank
CDC  Center for Disease Control and Prevention, USA
CDERA  Caribbean Disaster Emergency Response Agency
CDM  Clean Development Mechanism, UNFCCC
CDMP  Caribbean Disaster Mitigation Project
CDPC  Cranfield Disaster Preparedness Center, United Kingdom
CDRN  Citizen’s Disaster Response Network, Philippines
CEA  California Earthquake Authority
CEB  United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (formerly ACC)
CEDERI  Centro de Estudios sobre Desastres y Riesgos (Study Centre on Disasters and Risks), Colombia
CEH  Center for Ecology and Hydrology, United Kingdom
CEI  Central European Initiative
CEISE  European Centre for Research into Techniques for Informing Populations in Emergency Situations/Center Européen de Recherche sur les Techniques d’Information de la Population dans les Situations d’Urgences/Center Europeo de Investigacion de Tecnicas de Information a la Poblacion en Situaciones de Emergencias, Spain
CEMEC  Centre Européen pour la Médecine des Catastrophes/European Centre for Disaster Medicine, San Marino
CENAPRED  National Center for Disaster Prevention, Mexico
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EEA European Environment Agency, Denmark
EERI Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, USA
EEZ Exclusive Economic Zone
EHC Earthquake Hazard Centre, New Zealand
EHP/USGS Earthquake Hazards Program of the United States Geological Survey
EIA Environmental Impact Assessment
ELMS Environment and Land Management Sector of SADC, Southern Africa
ELSA European Laboratory for Structural Assessment – Earthquake Engineering, Ispra, Italy
EMA Emergency Management Australia
EMAI Emergency Management Australia Institute (former AEMI)
EM-DAT Emergency Events Database (CRED, Catholic University of Louvain)
EMERCOM Emergencies and Natural Disasters Mitigation, Ministry of Civil Defense, Russian Federation
EMI Earthquake and Megacities Initiative
EMPRES Emergency Prevention System
EMS Environmental Management Systems
EMSC Euro-Mediterranean Seismological Centre, France
ENDA Environment and Development Action in the Third World, Senegal
ENSO El Niño Southern Oscillation
EPC Emergency Preparedness Canada
EPN Escuela Politécnica Nacional, Ecuador
EPOCH European Programme on Climatology and Natural Hazards
EQTAP Earthquake and Tsunami Disaster Mitigation Technologies in the Asia-Pacific Region
ERA European Research Area
ERD Emergency Response Division, UNDP (now BCPR)
EMWIN Early Warning System for tropical cyclone, Cook Islands
ESA European Space Agency
ESB Emergency Services Branch, OCHA
ESCAP Economic and Social Commission of Asian and the Pacific, United Nations, Bangkok, Thailand
ESCWA Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, United Nations, Beirut, Lebanon
ESI Environment and Society Institute, USA
ESPRIT European Strategic Programme for Research and Information Technology
ETH Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Switzerland
ETS Emergency Telecommunications Service, ITU
EU European Union
EU-MEDIN GDIN Mediterranean working group
EUR-OPA Major Hazards Agreement of the Council of Europe
EWARN Early Warning and Response Network, Southern Sudan
EWSs Early Warning Systems

FANR Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Sector of SADC, Southern Africa
FAO Food and Agriculture Organization
FAO/AGL Food and Agriculture Organization/Land and Water Development Division
FDR Fire Danger Rating
FEDE Fundación de Edificaciones y Dotaciones Educativas, Venezuela
FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency, Government of USA
FEMID Fortalecimiento de Estructuras Locales para la Mitigación de Desastres (Strengthening of Local Structures for Disaster Mitigation)
FEWS Famine Early Warning System
FEWSNET Famine Early Warning System Network
FHWA Federal Highway Administration, US government
FICCI Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
FIMA Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, USA
FINCA Foundation for International Community Assistance
FIVIMS Food Insecurity and Vulnerability Information and Mapping Systems, FAO
FLACSO Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (Latin American Social Science Faculty)
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ILO International Labour Organization
IMC Inter-Ministerial Committee for Disaster Management, South Africa
IMCC Interdepartmental Mitigation Coordinating Committee, Canada
IMD India Meteorological Department
IMERCSA India Musokotwane Environment Resource Centre for Southern Africa, Zimbabwe
IMF International Monetary Fund
IMO International Maritime Organization
INAM National Institute for Meteorology, Mozambique
INCAP Instituto de Nutrición de Centro América y Panamá (Central American and Panamanian Institute for Nutrition)
INCEDE International Centre for Disaster Mitigation Engineering, University of Tokyo
INDECi National Civil Defence System, Peru
INGC Instituto Nacional de Gestao de Calamidades, Mozambique (National Institute for the Management of Calamities)
INES International Network on Environment and Security
INETER Instituto Nicaraguense de Estudios Territoriales (Nicaraguan Institute for Territorial Studies)
INFAID Infrastructure Damage Prevention, Assessment and Reconstruction following a Disaster
INSAH SAHEL Institute, Mali
IOC Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, France
IOM International Organization for Migration
IPCC Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
IPSC Institute for the Protection and Security of the Citizen, Technological and Economic Risk
IRI International Research Institute for Climate Prediction, Columbia University, USA
IRIS Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology, USA
ISA International Sociological Association
ISDR International Strategy for Disaster Reduction
ISFERAEA Information Support for Effective and Rapid External Aid
ISO International Organization for Standardization, Switzerland
ISP Integral Sustainable Production Units
ISPU Higher Institute of Emergency Planning/Institut Supérieur de Planification d’Urgence, Archennes, Belgium
ITC International Institute for Geo-information Science and Earth Observation, The Netherlands
ITCA Information Technology Centre for Africa
ITIC International Tsunami Information Center, Hawaii
ITT Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay
ITU International Telecommunication Union
IUCN World Conservation Union
IUED Institut universitaire d’études du développement (Graduate Institute of Development Studies), Switzerland
IWRM Integrated Water Resources Management

JICA Japan International Cooperation Agency
JMA Japan Meteorological Agency
JRC European Commission Directorate General Joint Research Centre

KBDI Keetch-Byram Drought Index
KEERC Korea Earthquake Engineering Research Center, Seoul National University, Korea
KOVERS Competence Center for Technical Risks, ETH, Switzerland
KVERMP Kathmandu Valley Earthquake Risk Management Project, NSET, Nepal

LA RED La Red de Estudios Sociales en Prevención de Desastres en América Latina (The Latin American Network for the Social Study of Disaster Prevention)
LCAS Logistics Capacity Assessments, WFP
LDCs Least Developed Countries
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UNFIP United Nations Fund for International Partnerships
UNFFA United Nations Population Fund
UNHCR United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme (formerly UNCHS)
UNICEF United Nations Children’s Fund
UNISPACE United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space
UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNIFEM United Nations Fund for Women
UNITAR United Nations Institute for Training and Research
UN-ONCHA United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
UNOPS United Nations Office for Project Services
UNRWA United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
UNSC United Nations Staff College
UNSO Office to Combat Desertification and Drought, UNDP (now Drylands Development Centre)
UNU United Nations University
UNU/RTC-HSE United Nations University Research and Training Centre on Human Security and the Environment, Bonn, Germany
UNV United Nations Volunteers
UPU Universal Postal Union
USAID US Agency for International Development
USDE/OAS Unit for Sustainable Development and Environment of the Organization of American States
USGS United States Geological Survey
USSA Uganda’s Seismic Safety Association
UNITAR United Nations Institute for Training and Research
VAAC Volcanic Ash Advisory Centre
VAG Vulnerability Analysis Group
VAM Vulnerability Assessment and Mapping, WFP
VAT Vulnerability Assessment and Techniques
VCA Vulnerability and Capacities Assessment
VEI Volcanic Explosivity Index
VHF Very High Frequency

WAEMU/UEMOA West Africa Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU), Union Economique et Monetaire de l’ouest Africaine (UEMOA)
WAICENT World Agricultural Information Centre, FAO
WB World Bank
WCP World Climate Programme, WMO
WDNH Weather-Driven Natural Hazards
WFP World Food Programme, United Nations
WHO World Health Organization, United Nations
WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization, United Nations
WMO World Meteorological Organization, United Nations
WOVO World Organization of Volcano Observatories
WOVODat World Organization of Volcano Observatories’ database
WRCU Water Resources Coordination Unit, SADC, Southern Africa
WSL Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research
WSSD World Summit on Sustainable Development
WSSI World Seismic Safety Initiative
WTO World Trade Organization
WVI World Vision
WVR World Vulnerability Report, UNDP
WWAP/WWDR World Water Assessment Programme/World Water Development Report
WWF World Wide Fund for Nature
WWRP World Weather Research Programme, WMO
WWW World Weather Watch, WMO

ZRA Zambesi River Authority
ZENEB Zentrum für Naturrisiken und Entwicklung, Germany (Centre for Natural Risks and Development)
ZFFHC Zimbabwe Freedom From Hunger Campaigns

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