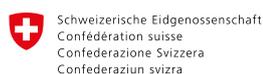


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A Compendium of Good Practices in Disaster Risk Reduction



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“Any effort to reduce the vulnerability of people and strengthen their resilience must begin at the local level”

Ban Ki Moon, former Secretary-General of the UN, Report for the World Humanitarian Summit (2016)



HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation, Bangladesh: Vegetable cultivation on a floating bed to protect gardens from flooding



CARITAS Switzerland, Kenya: Collection of rainwater from a large rock surface to provide drinking water to rural people during dry periods



Swiss Red Cross, Haiti: Various bioengineering measures combined to stabilize slopes and protect homesteads

This new publication is based on experiences from Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) projects in 13 countries around the globe, realized by Switzerland-based organizations over the past decades. **With a focus on practices related to Sustainable Land Management (SLM), it systematically describes and analyses over 30 well-established and successful practices, highlighting the potential of SLM for DRR.**

By capturing and analysing the vast diversity of these practices, the publication aims to make a substantial contribution to improving the livelihood conditions and resilience of the rural poor, reducing disaster impacts, and ensuring sustainable management of land.

The publication is aimed at practitioners planning and implementing DRR practices to alleviate impacts from different natural hazards such as droughts, floods, and storms. It offers insights into a variety of land-user and community-based approaches to the prevention, reduction, and management of disaster risks.

The publication will be launched towards the end of 2017.

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