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Participation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

Note by the secretariat

1. In its resolution 68/211, the General Assembly recognized the importance of the contributions and participation of all relevant stakeholders, including intergovernmental organizations, at the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction and its preparatory process.
2. The established accreditation procedure for reviewing applications from intergovernmental organizations takes into account the nature of the establishing agreement (a formal treaty or other legal instrument); the membership; the governing structure; and a proven track record of activities that is relevant to the substance of the conference.
3. The Conference secretariat has evaluated completed application packages received by 30 November 2014, the deadline by which applications had to be submitted for review by the third session of the Preparatory Committee. The following intergovernmental organizations have requested to participate in the work of the Third World Conference and its preparatory process, with observer status:

Caribbean Meteorological Organization (CMO)

Coordination Centre for Natural Disaster Prevention in Central America
(CEPRENAC)

International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of
Cultural Property (ICCROM)

