

**COMMENTS OF THE MEXICAN DELEGATION IN THE OPEN-ENDED
INFORMAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING TOWARDS THE POST 2015
FRAMEWORK FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION**

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Section D: Priorities for action, global and regional context

For Mexico, there are key elements that must be taken into consideration in the implementation of the new framework, both for its relevance in disaster management and as part of the lessons learnt from the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA):

- Early warning systems and risk knowledge mechanisms, as they play an important role in planning, preparedness and response activities, but also in disaster risk reduction (DRR) policy-making. Regional and global implementation of these elements is crucial for promoting safer and well-prepared communities.
- Mechanisms for managing, accessing and sharing data and information at national, regional and international levels.
- Capacity building for stakeholders involved in early warning systems and risk knowledge mechanisms.
- Guidance on how to develop at global and national level strategies oriented at raising awareness on the risk that disasters pose to the global economy and ways to take actions for reducing losses and generating business resilience.
- Clear references and links to both processes of climate change and sustainable development, considering elements of development and poverty reduction. It is important that the new framework reiterates both the political and technical support towards the other post-2015 processes. Science-based information had proved the inherent links between them. HFA considers climate change as a driver of disasters.
- It would be desirable to see health issues strengthened, taking advantage from its multisectoral approach as an important asset to face global risks like epidemics and pandemics.

Section D: Role of stakeholders

- Mexico supports the participation and involvement of stakeholders in decision making processes and the implementation of the new framework for DRR.
- To avoid repetitions and duplications it would be useful to consider merging or modifying accordingly roles of stakeholders with Section E: Partnerships. In our view it could provide clarity for practitioners and opportunities for international cooperation.
- Financial, investment and trade institutions' roles are an important element for the implementation of disaster programmes and plans. However they could be better reflected in the partnership section of the document.