



Australian Emergency Management Knowledge Hub



Website snapshot

This case study is an example of action which contributes to HFA Priority for Action 3

Abstract

The Australian Emergency Management Knowledge Hub is an online resource for collaborative and interactive information and knowledge sharing in the Australian emergency management sector.

The Australian Emergency Management Knowledge Hub connects people and makes evidence-based emergency-related research accessible to the sector and to the general community. The Knowledge Hub can be accessed at: www.emknowledge.gov.au.

The Knowledge Hub was developed in response to the need for a centralised, neutral place offering the evidence-based research that assists with strategic and policy decision making in Australian emergency management.

The Knowledge Hub, which measures its growth through online reporting tools, has over 4000 resources, including more than 180 local emergency management plans, details on some 670 disaster events and more than 50 case studies. It has become a place to share information about response and recovery efforts from past disaster events, for the promotion of conferences and education events, and provides the online access to news, special activities and as a register of historical events.

By December 2014 the Knowledge Hub recorded in excess of 800 registered users and over 1600 followers on social media.

The site continues to grow in content and popularity, building communities of practice across governments and agencies, non-government organisations, volunteers, and others in the emergency management sector. It connects with practitioners and those working in the areas of policy, research, education and information services, as well as the general community.