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Regional Study on Transnational Flood Impacts and Preparedness Mechanisms

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on Disaster Management
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Regional Context

- 12 ECOWAS countries experienced flooding in 2009
(OCHA Map, October 2009)
- Between 2000-2008 ECOWAS countries all together experienced 89 flood
(source OFDA-CRED /Université de Louvain)

A Regional Study such as

- ✓ identifying transnational spill-over causes/effects/impacts of floods from a number of different points of view: meteorological, hydro-geological, economical, transport, trade, migration, etc.
- ✓ identifying opportunities and modalities for enhanced regional cooperation on Disaster Risk Reduction, Preparedness and Early Warning Systems.
- ✓ take into account existing regional cooperation mechanisms in West-Africa, of which an important example are basin organizations/organisations pour la mise en valeur.

Main questions

A. what are the main spill-over causes/effects/impacts of floods in West Africa?

B. what has been done so far to improve cooperation at a regional level and between countries on these themes?

C. what else could be done?

D. how could a regional study contribute to these efforts?

E. what eventually should be the governance mechanism for such a study (lead entity, key participants, ...)?

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.. and South-South Cooperation Program which facilitates and promotes inter-country collaboration in disaster risk reduction.

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South-South Cooperation Program Announces New Call for Proposals

The GFDRR South-South Cooperation Program issues new call for proposals which provides opportunities for high risk countries to work jointly on common objectives and take more responsibility for reducing their vulnerability. This is a major initiative to facilitate collaboration among low- and middle-income countries to mainstream disaster risk reduction and recovery, including climate change adaptation, into development planning. [Read more](#)

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program but the outputs and scenarios of a risk assessment contribute to structuring overall development project and options. GFDRR is carrying out risk assessments in a number of countries and cities. [Read more](#)



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