



PEER REVIEW IN UK

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FIRST IMPRESSIONS

- **Commitment**
- **DRR in UK**
- **The importance of the peer reviews**
 - **For the country that is reviewed**
 - **For the peers**
 - **For the other countries**



COMMITMENT

- **Lot of organisations and lot of people were interviewed**
- **Very enthusiastic and passionate people**
- **Self-assessment in order to find out the gaps and to develop the weak points**


DRR IN UK

- **Something serious has to happen before the real action is taken**
- **Turning point in 2005 when the CCA became into force**
- **Legislative framework for DRR**

CCA

- **Clear obligations to the local level**
- **Clear vision of the risks (flooding, drought, pandemic flu, space weather, extreme weather conditions e.g. winter)**
- **Over 40 regions or local areas where so called local resilience forums (LRF) had to be organised according the CCA**
- **In the LRF all the necessary stakeholders are represented**
- **The minumum level of service is not defined but the government rather tries to persuade different organisations to take necessary arrangements**

GOOD PRACTICES

- **A chief scientist system**
 - **Natural hazard partnership**
 - **Flood forecasting centre where hydrology and meteorology has been unified**
 - **Business continuity planning**
 - **Business countinuity for dummies**
 - **Lincolnshire at the local level, where 7 counties (regions) were co-operationg in terms of risks**
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OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- **The UK administrative system (England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland)**
 - **In Scotland however the emergency services is going to be unified (now 7 regions, in the future 1)**
 - **Decentralisation of the environment agency (now one taking care of Wales and England, in the future the Welsh government will have their own agency)**
- **Engage volunteer organisations to the DRR work more closely**

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PEER REVIEWS

- **A learning process to all**
 - To the country that is viewed
 - To the peers
 - To the other countries
- **To promote the HFA and DRR in the country that is reviewed**



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