



ITU's work in Saving Lives

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ITU: Committed to help the world communicate

193

MEMBER STATES

800

SECTOR MEMBERS & ACADEMIA

3
SECTORS

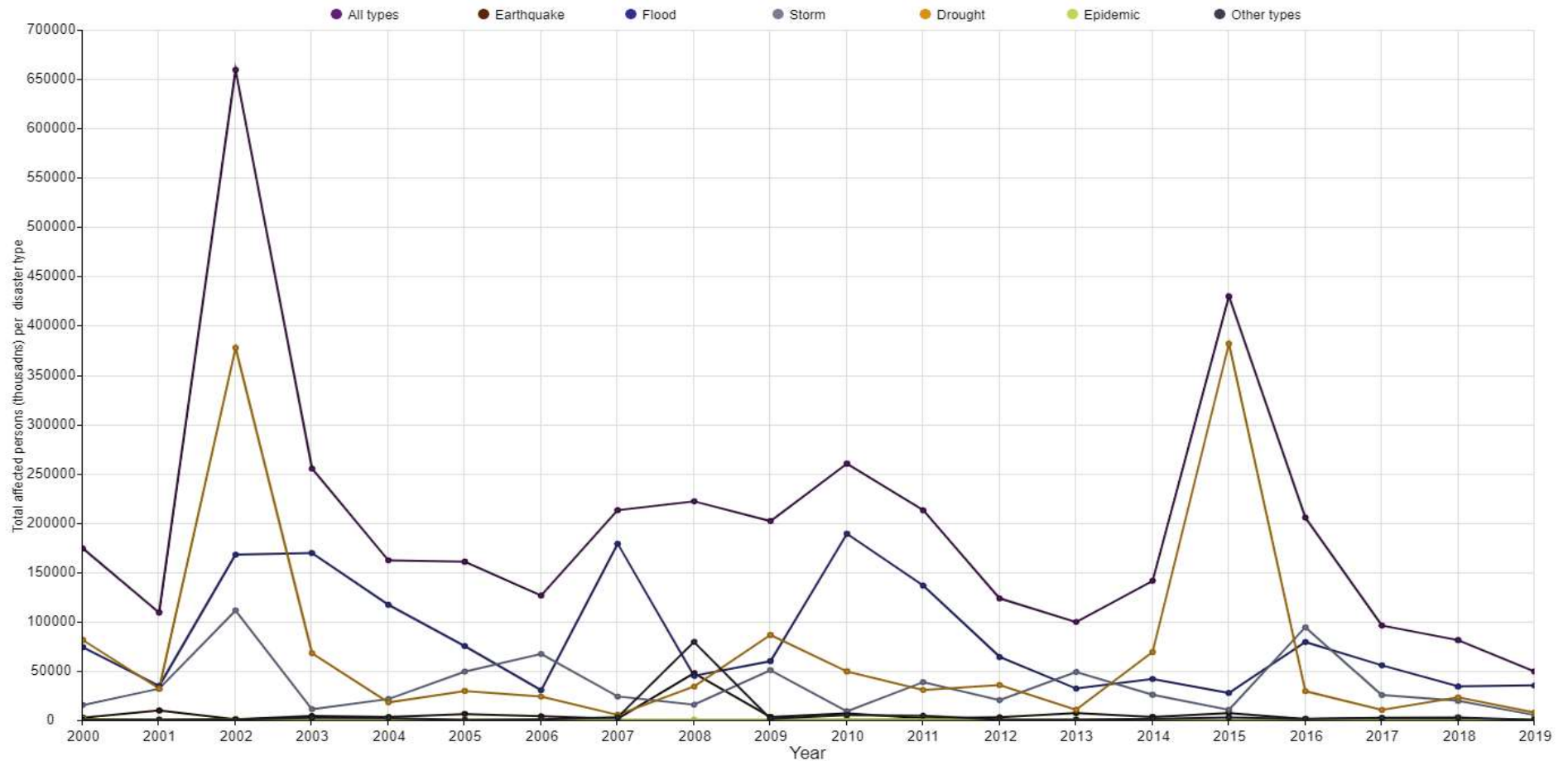


– Each sector has specific mandate, but all work cohesively towards connecting the world

... and to help achieve the SDGs through the use of ICTs

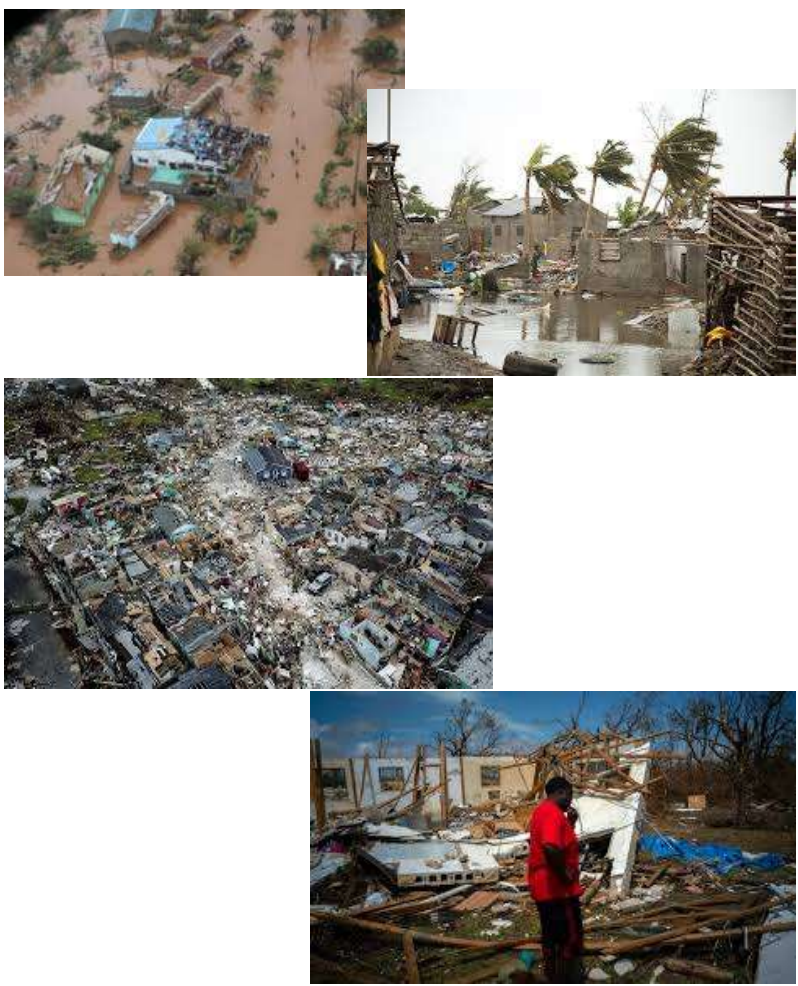


Every year millions of people are affected by natural hazards...



Source: EM-DAT: The Emergency Events Database - Université catholique de Louvain (UCL) - CRED, D. Guha-Sapir - www.emdat.be, Brussels, Belgium

Number of disasters around the world



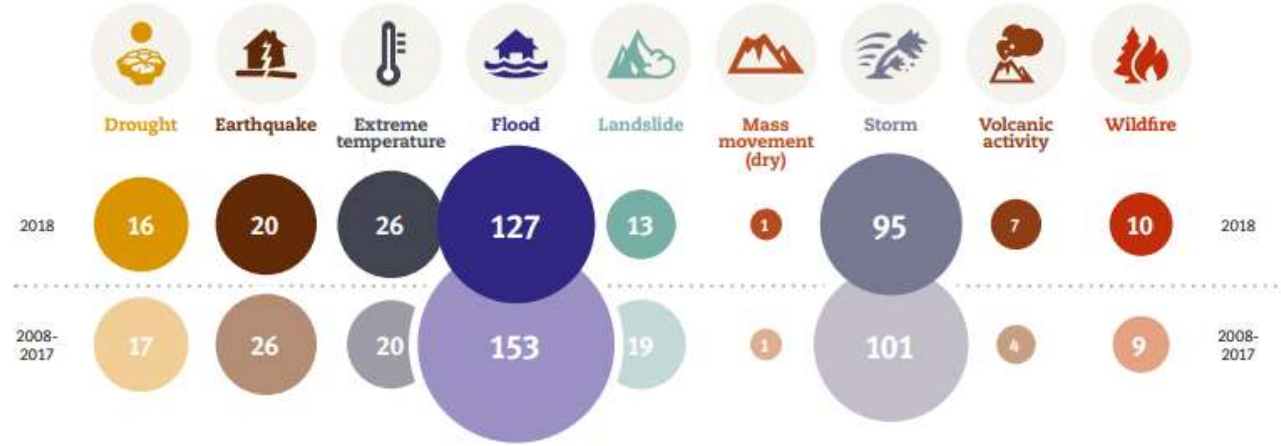
Number of disasters by continent and top 10 countries



Figure 2

Occurrence by disaster type: 2018 compared to 2008-2017 annual average

348 2008 to 2017 > 315 in 2018



When disasters strike, ICTs play a critical role...

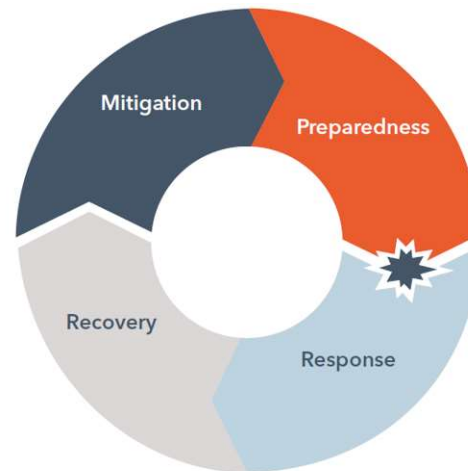
ICTs are a critical enabler for disaster response. Timely, predictable and effective information is urgently needed by government agencies and other humanitarian actors involved in rescue operations and decision-making processes. No response and relief efforts can be delivered without telecommunications.

1 Mitigation

- Hazard and vulnerability assessment and mapping
- Data collection, recording and analysis
- Awareness raising and education campaigns
- Development of policies and legislation
- Development of regulatory frameworks
- Allocation of financial resources
- Establishment of public-private partnerships

4 Recovery

- Build resilient ICT infrastructure
- Restore telecommunication infrastructure and services
- Restore public sector operations
- Identify best practices and lessons learned



2 Preparedness

- Development and implementation of National Emergency Telecommunication Plans
- Development of Standard Operating Procedures
- Implementation of Early Warning Systems
- Capacity building and training exercises
- Information and knowledge sharing
- Implementation and use of new technologies
- Preparation of back up energy systems
- Use of satellite imagery

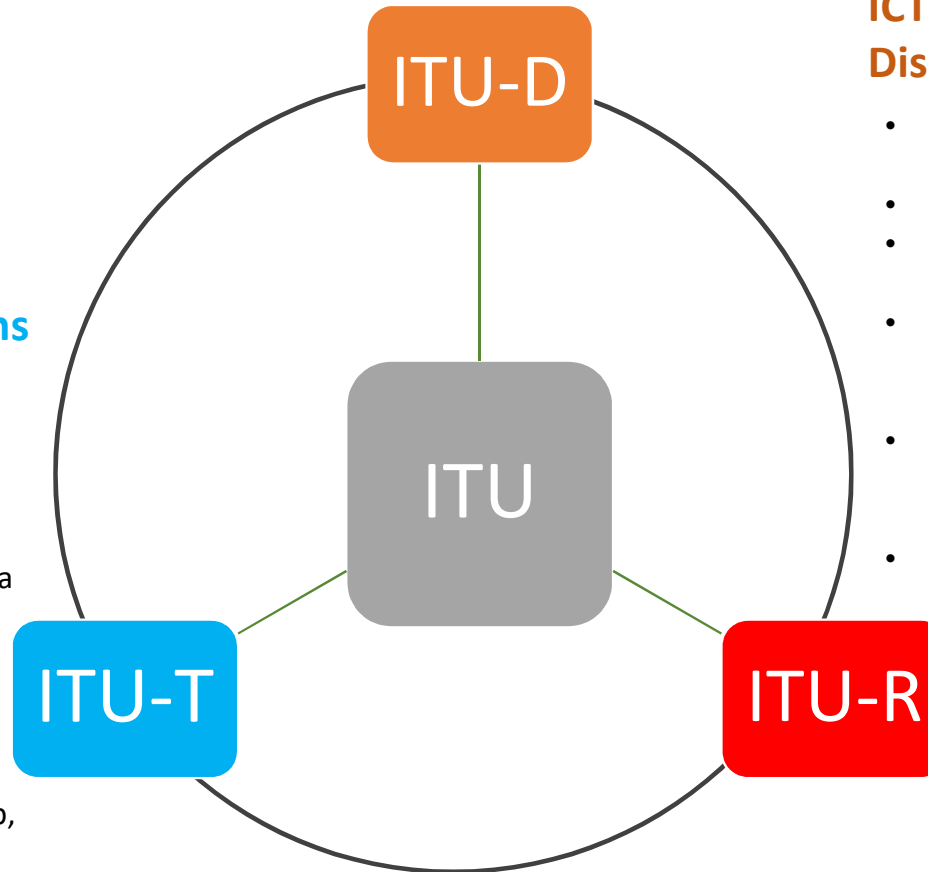
3 Response

- Establishment of ICT solutions and links for first responders
- Provision of ICT solutions for inter-agency coordination
- Damage and needs assessment
- Provision of telecommunication facilities to affected population
- Importation of equipment

ITU's role

Disaster management, network resiliency and recovery recommendations and best practices

- Collects and documents information and concepts helpful to the work on disaster relief systems/ applications, network resilience and recovery from a telecommunication network perspective
- Critical information infrastructure protection
- Standards development and adoption such as common alerting protocol (cap, x.1303)
- Energy efficient devices standards, etc.
- Smart Cities, villages, etc.



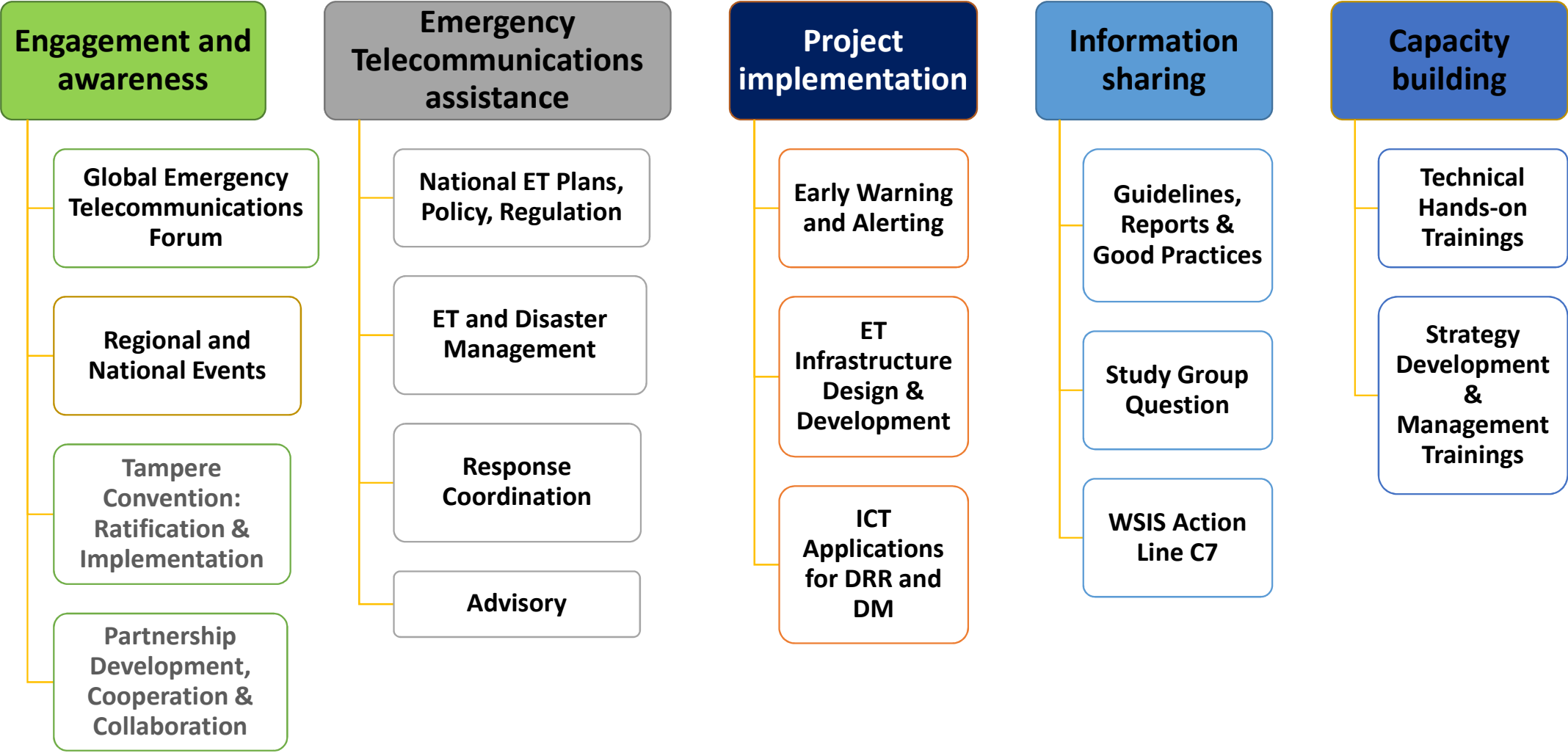
ICT Needs of Developing Countries for Disaster Management

- Captures the unique needs of developing countries
- Promulgates and promotes DRR solutions
- **Implements projects on disaster warning and alerting systems**
- Development and review of policies and regulations on emergency telecommunications and climate change adaptation
- Promotes international cooperation and implementation of standards – Tampere Convention, Common Alerting Protocol (CAP)
- Provides direct assistance during emergencies on telecommunications

Radiocommunications in DRR

- Satellite services regulation – meteo services, earth observation, etc.
- Develop recommendations and reports on radiocommunications for disaster management
- Emergency frequency allocation best practices

Areas of action of ITU-D's work on emergency telecommunications (ET)



Assistance



**DEPLOYMENT OF
RESOURCES**



PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION



POLICY AND REGULATION



CAPACITY BUILDING



**DEPLOYMENT OF EMERGENCY
TELECOM EQUIPMENT WHEN
DISASTERS STRIKE**



**SUPPORT OF UN, NGOs AND OTHERS
THROUGH LICENSING AND
FREQUENCIES ASSIGNMENTS**



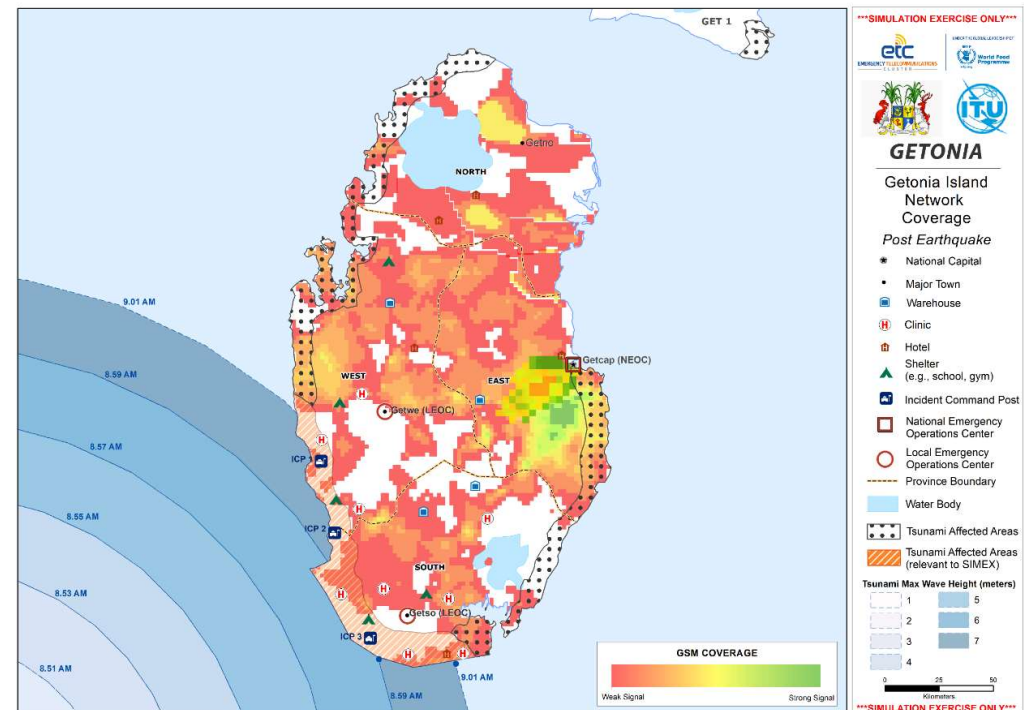
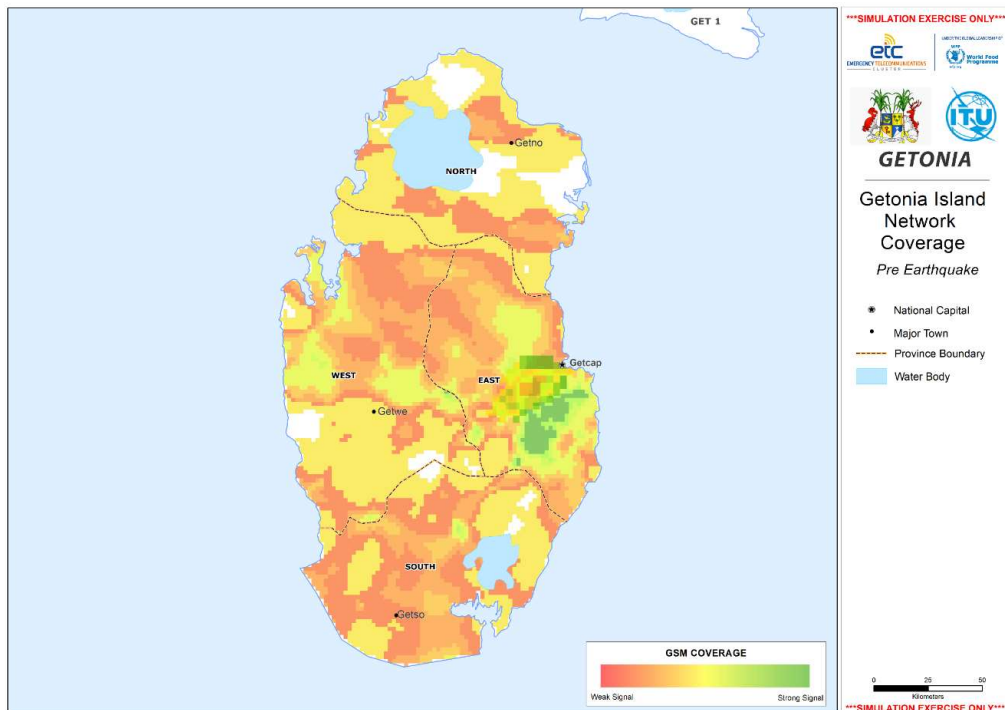
**SETTING UP TELEMEDICINE
FACILITIES FOR EASY DELIVERY OF
HEALTH SERVICES**



**ASSESSMENT OF NETWORK
DAMAGES AND REHABILITATION**

Disaster Connectivity Map initiative

To build a partnership for the development of a live map that during times of disasters can provide information on the type, level and quality of connectivity that is available on the ground.





GUIDELINES

**on
National Emergency Telecommunication Plans**



CHECKLIST

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Emergency Telecommunications



Response and Recovery



ITU has responded to over 50 emergency worldwide

Natural Hazards linked to the response: ● Cyclone ● Earthquake ● Ebola ● Flood ● Hurricane ● Migration ● Storm ● Tropical Cyclone ● Tsunami ● Typhoon ● Volcano

ETC Cluster Partners



Action contre la Faim (ACF)



Ericsson Response



Food & Agriculture Organization (FAO)



Global VSAT Forum



Government of Luxembourg, Ministry for Development Cooperation & Humanitarian Affairs



International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)



International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)



International Organization for Migration (IOM)



International Telecommunications Union (ITU)



NetHope



Oxfam



Plan International



UN Children's Fund (UNICEF)



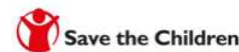
UN Department of Field Support (UNDFS)



UN Department of Safety & Security (UNDSS)



UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)



Save the Children



Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB)



Télécoms Sans Frontières (TSF)



U.S. Department of State



United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR)



United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)



World Food Programme (WFP)



World Health Organization (WHO)

Crisis Connectivity Charter



ITU's Key Partners



ITU Framework for Cooperation in Emergencies

Technology Cluster

- **Satellite Operators and Service Providers**
- **Land Earth Station Operators**
- **Telecom Operators**
- **GIS and Remote Sensing Operators**
- **Radio Communication Equipment Providers**

Financial Cluster

- **Governments**
- **Private Sector**
- **Development Banks**
- **Regional Economic Groups**
- **Philanthropic foundations**
- **International Organizations**

Logistics Cluster

- **International Couriers**
- **Air-Transport Operators**
- **National Airlines**
- **International Organizations**

ITU emergency telecommunications roster



The main role of ITU roster:

- **To engage relevant government and regulatory authorities to facilitate the importation and use of communication equipment for the purpose of disaster relief**
- **The fast-track expedition of customs clearance processes and enabling organizations to provide a fast response in a timely manner**
- **To provide training on the use of sat phones and BGAN terminals on the ground**

Project Implementation



Early Warning and Alerting Systems

- EWS in Uganda and Zambia, Tsunami Warning, etc.

ICT Applications for Disaster Risk Reduction

- Big Data Secure Storage for CDRs in Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea (Ebola), Coordination Platforms, etc.

Emergency Telecommunications Infrastructure Design and Development

- ET Infrastructure Design for Haiti, Mongolia, etc. Emergency Operation Center Design in Africa Region, etc.

Early Warning Systems

Zambia
2017







Thank you!!!

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