



Sistema Nacional de Protección Civil



The National Civil Protection System, under the Ministry of Government in Panama, is responsible for implementing measures to prevent, eliminate or mitigate the effects of disaster. It specializes in planning, research, management, supervision and organization of policies and actions. It coordinates ministries, institutions, civic clubs and NGOs and universities in providing advice to the Director General of the National Civil Protection System. The adoption of the National Policy on Integrated Risk Management of Disaster in 2010, marks the beginning of a process of transformation and public policy advances in risk management, with the participation of different sectors to discuss actions to reduce disaster risk.

The initiative draws on weaknesses identified in country progress reports against the Hyogo Framework for Action of the need for mandates to guide actions and policy decisions towards comprehensive disaster risk reduction and thus sustainable development. This process was recognized by the Regional Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction as one of the three best practices from 17 countries and 100 various case studies. Overall efforts have generated significant changes in public policies, including in terms of the environment, land use, financial protection strategies, and formal and non-formal health sectors.

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