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Landslide Hazards, Risks, and Disasters Tim Davies, Nick Rosser, 2021-10-17 *Landslide Hazards Risks and Disasters* Second Edition makes a broad but detailed examination of major aspects of mass movements and their consequences and provides knowledge to form the basis for more complete and accurate monitoring prediction preparedness and reduction of the impacts of landslides on society The frequency and intensity of landslide hazards and disasters has consistently increased over the past century and this trend will continue as society increasingly utilises steep landscapes Landslides and related phenomena can be triggered by other hazard and disaster processes such as earthquakes tsunamis volcanic eruptions and wildfires and they can also cause other hazards and disasters making them a complex multi disciplinary challenge This new edition of *Landslide Hazards Risks and Disasters* is updated and includes new chapters covering additional topics including rockfalls landslide interactions and impacts and geomorphic perspectives Knowledge understanding and the ability to model landslide processes are becoming increasingly important challenges for society extends its occupation of increasingly hilly

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Disaster Resilience Douglas Paton, David Johnston, 2017-06-12 Events such as the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami Hurricane Katrina in 2005 and the Japanese earthquakes and tsunamis in 2011 have provided unfortunate reminders of the susceptibility of many communities to devastating losses from natural hazards These events provided graphic illustrations of how extreme hazard events adversely impact on people affect communities and disrupt the community and societal mechanisms that serve to organize and sustain community capacities and functions However there is much that communities can do to mitigate their risk and manage disaster consequences The construct that epitomizes how this is done is resilience The contents of this volume provide valuable insights into how societal resilience can be developed and sustained This considerably expanded new edition presents major topics of Coexisting with Natural Hazards Urban Resilience in Asia Lifelines and Urban Resilience Business Continuity in Disaster Hazard Mitigation in Communities Hazard Readiness and Resilience Child Citizenship in Disaster Risk Old Age and Resilience Gender and Disaster Resilience Impact of High Functionality on Resilience Art and Resilience Cross Cultural Perspectives and Coping with Hazards Religious Practices and Resilience Living in Harmony with our Environment Critical Incidence Response Governance Heat Wave Resilience Wildfire Disaster Resilience and Progress and Challenges to Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience This exceptional book brings together contributions from international experts in core areas and includes chapters that provide and overarching framework within which the need for interrelationships between levels to be developed is discussed

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Yokomatsu,Stefan Hochrainer-Stigler,2020-07-01 This book provides insight on how disaster risk management can increase the resilience of society to various natural hazards The multi dimensionality of resilience and the various different perspectives in regards to disaster risk reduction are taken explicitly into account by providing studies and approaches on different scales and ranging from natural science based methods to social science frameworks For all chapters special emphasis is placed on implementation aspects and specifically in regards to the targets and priorities for action laid out in the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction The chapters provide also a starting point for interested readers on specific issues of resilience and therefore include extensive reference material and important future directions for research

Hydro-climate extremes and natural disasters during global warming: Observation, projection, and mitigation Peng

Sun,Shuliang Zhang,Ming Luo,Shao Sun,Zhen Liu,2023-07-21 *Understanding Disaster Risk* Pedro Pinto Santos,Ksenia Chmutina,Jason Von Meding,Emmanuel Raju,2020-09-30 *Understanding Disaster Risk A Multidimensional Approach* presents the first principle from the UNISDR Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 2030 The framework includes a discussion of risk and resilience from both a theoretical and governance perspective in light of ideas that are shaping our common future In addition it presents innovative tools and best practices in reducing risk and building resilience Combining the applications of social financial technological design engineering and nature based approaches the volume addresses rising global priorities and focuses on strengthening the global understanding of vulnerability displaced communities cultural heritages and cultural identity Readers will gain a multifaceted understanding of disaster addressing both historic and contemporary issues Focusing on the various dimensions of disaster risk the book details natural and social components of risk and the challenges posed to risk assessment models under the climate change paradigm Addresses the current challenges in policy and practice for building resilience strategies Follows the global frameworks for disaster risk reduction and sustainability specifically the UNISDR Sendai Framework for DRR 2015 2030 Aids in understanding the natural and social components of risk in a diverse and globalized world Presents the challenges posed to risk assessment models under the climate change paradigm

Understanding and Reducing Landslide Disaster Risk Binod Tiwari,Kyoji Sassa,Peter T.

Bobrowsky,Kaoru Takara,2020-12-22 This book is a part of ICL new book series ICL Contribution to Landslide Disaster Risk Reduction founded in 2019 Peer reviewed papers submitted to the Fifth World Landslide Forum were published in six volumes of this book series This book contains the followings Five keynote lectures Recent development in physical modeling of landslides Recent development in numerical modeling of landslides Recent development in soil and rock testing techniques application and analysis methods Recent advancements in the methods of slope stability and deformation analyses Recent development in disaster risk assessment Prof Binod Tiwari is a Vice President of the International Consortium on Landslides

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of the regional and global impacts of disasters under climate variability Wildfire Risk Wade E. Martin, Carol Raish, Brian Kent, 2010-09-30 The continuing encroachment of human settlements into fire prone areas and extreme fire seasons in recent years make it urgent that we better understand both the physical and human dimensions of managing the risk from wildfire Wildfire Risk follows from our awareness that increasing public knowledge about wildfire hazard does not necessarily lead to appropriate risk reduction behavior Drawing heavily upon health and risk communication and risk modeling the authors advance our understanding of how individuals and communities respond to wildfire hazard They present results of original research on the social economic and psychological factors in responses to risk discuss how outreach and education can influence behavior and consider differences among ethnic racial groups and between genders with regard to values views and attitudes about wildfire risk They explore the role of public participation in risk assessment and mitigation as well as in planning for evacuation and recovery after fire Wildfire Risk concludes with a dedicated section on risk modeling with perspectives from decision sciences geography operations research psychology experimental economics and other social sciences **Geohazards and Disasters** Salvatore Martino, Marta Della Seta, Carlo Esposito, 2025-02-20 Geohazards and Disasters Modelling Scenarios as a Challenge for the Future aims to depict an updated view of the most significant technical scientific knowledge on the topic of geological risks and related mitigation strategies with a focus on the resilience of anthropic communities and with an aim to sensitize them towards a prevention approach that is fed through awareness and technical competence This book fills knowledge gaps by relating on scientific and technical progress for the conscious and sustainable management of risk in a multi hazard perspective This comprehensive resource will be a welcomed by researchers academicians graduate and undergraduate students and professionals in the field of geology specifically those focused on geohazards and disaster management Provides a synoptical view of geohazards and disasters Introduces a parallel design of chapters from hazards and potential scenarios Presents the most up to date scientific contents and technologies related to geohazards **Landslides - Disaster Risk Reduction** Kyoji Sassa, Paolo Canuti, 2008-10-27 This book documents the First World Landslide Forum which was jointly organized by the International Consortium on Landslides ICL eight UN organizations UNESCO WMO FAO UN ISDR UNU UNEP World Bank UNDP and four NGOs International Council for Science World Federation of Engineering Organizations Kyoto Univ and Japan Landslide Society in Tokyo in 2008 The material consists of four parts The Open Forum Progress of IPL Activities Four Thematic Lectures in the Plenary Symposium Global Landslide Risk Reduction Six Keynote Lectures in the Plenary session and the aims and overviews of eighteen parallel sessions dealing with various aspects necessary for landslide disaster risk reduction such as observations from space climate change and slope instability landslides threatening heritage sites the economic and social impact of landslides monitoring prediction and early warning and risk management strategies in urban area etc Thus it enables the reader to benefit from a wide range of research intended to reduce risk due to landslide disasters as presented in the first

global multi disciplinary meeting **PREPARING FOR DISASTER** Douglas Paton, John McClure, 2013-08-01 Despite the evident advantages that being prepared for natural life threatening events confers on people and communities research has consistently found that individual community and business preparedness levels are low This book examines why this is so and identifies what can be done to expedite the development of sustained preparedness at household community and societal levels The text emphasizes the need for this aspect of social risk management to be based on engagement principles how people engage with their natural environment how they engage with each other and how people and agencies and businesses engage with each other Following a discussion of how people relate to the environmental hazards they need to prepare for the book introduces the areas of comprehensive preparedness Major topics include Coexisting with a Hazardous Environment People Hazards and Hazard Mitigation Hazard Readiness and Preparedness People s Beliefs and Hazard Preparedness Predicting Hazard Preparedness and Social Cognitive Influences Social Influences on Hazard Beliefs Hazard Preparedness and Community Engagement and Empowerment Cross cultural Perspectives Business Preparedness and Future Issues with Engaging People Science and Practice This unique text will provide practitioners and academics with a comprehensive account of what can currently be done to increase the capacity of people communities societies and businesses to anticipate what hazard consequences they may have to contend with cope with adapt to and recover from and also to learn from experiences in ways that contribute to the development of future societal resilience and adaptive capacity

Local Disaster Risk Management in a Changing Climate Hori Tsuneki, Rajib Shaw, 2014-09-18 Disasters cause economic as well as human losses and the magnitude of this is ever increasing This can largely be attributed to climate related disasters which intensify vulnerability in the poorest areas of the world In this book approaches to disaster risk management in developing countries are discussed with particular focus on Costa Rica

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