

# WorldRiskReport 2021

## Focus: Social Protection

### Presentation | Wednesday, September 15, 2021

The Covid-19 pandemic, numerous climate-related weather events such as the floods in Germany, the United States of America and China as well as the recent earthquake in Haiti put extreme natural events high on the agenda in the year 2021. These disasters made unmistakably clear that the vulnerability to extreme natural events is unevenly distributed, not only between, but also within societies. These events also highlighted the relevance of social protection in strengthening people's resilience to crises and disasters. The WorldRiskReport 2021 discusses different forms and aspects of social protection systems and elaborates on the potential of linking social protection, disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation. As every year, the report also features the WorldRiskIndex, which assesses the disaster risk for 181 countries.

The findings of the WorldRiskReport including the WorldRiskIndex 2021 will be presented in press conference at 10 am (UTC+2), which will be live-streamed. Subsequently, experts from academia, policy, and practice will discuss the role of social protection in the context of humanitarian action and disaster risk reduction in an online panel discussion.

### Agenda

**10 am**      **Press Conference (in German)**  
**Presentation of the WorldRiskReport and WorldRiskIndex 2021**

Moderated by: **Katie Gallus**

**Peter Mucke**, Managing Director Bündnis Entwicklung Hilft, Project Lead  
WorldRiskReport

**Dr. Katrin Radtke**, Senior Researcher IFHV, Scientific Lead WorldRiskReport

Live-Stream: [www.WeltRisikoBericht.de](http://www.WeltRisikoBericht.de)

**11 am**

**Online-Talk WorldRiskReport 2021**

**The Role of Social Protection for Disaster Risk Reduction – Chances and Challenges**

Moderated by: **Katie Gallus**

**Welcome and Scene Setting: Anticipatory Humanitarian Action & Risk Analyses**

**Prof. Dr. Pierre Thielbörger**, Executive Director IFHV

**Dr. Ferdinand v. Weyhe**, Head of Division Humanitarian Assistance, International Disaster Response, Humanitarian Mine Action, Federal Foreign Office

**11.15 am**

**Panel Discussion: Social Protection and Disaster Risk Reduction**

- What role does social protection play for disaster risk reduction?
- What lessons can be learned from social protection schemes in the current Covid-19 pandemic with respect to climate change and related disasters?

**Nicola Wiebe**, Policy Advisor Social Protection, Bread for the World

**Sr. Dr. Elizabeth Nalloor**, Director Raigarh Ambikapur Health Association, Partner of Misereor

**Chiara Mellucci**, Policy Officer Prevention Preparedness Global Issues, DG for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO)

**Q & A and Discussion**

**12.20 pm**

**Closing Remarks and Outlook**

**Wolf-Christian Ramm**, Chairperson Bündnis Entwicklung Hilft

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The Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict (IFHV) of Ruhr University Bochum is one of the leading institutions in Europe for research and teaching on humanitarian crises. Coming from a long tradition in scientific analysis of international humanitarian law and human rights, the Institute today combines interdisciplinary research in the fields of law, social science, geoscience, and public health.