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For example, it is claimed that contemporary, "neoliberal" societies are characterized by ideologies that emphasize individual freedom, deregulation, and expert knowledge. Thus, these societies and their ideologies encourage citizens or individuals to engage in self-regulation. While previous forms of government tried to regulate the behaviour of their citizens through oppressive strategies, contemporary governments encourage citizens to adopt certain practices and behaviours in a voluntary manner.

Applicable to:

Stakeholders: [Power relations](#)

Disaster Phases: [Prevention](#), [Preparedness](#), [Response](#), [Recovery](#), [All disaster phases](#)

Types of Actors Concerned: [Government](#), [Non-active citizens](#)

Hazards: [Natural hazards](#), [Man-made non-intentional hazards or emergency situations](#), [Man-made intentional hazards](#)

Recommendations:

- [Foster the adoption of a culture of disaster prevention and resilience by informing and motivating citizens to take action](#)

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