

Age and profession-related differences in the use of social media for disaster communication messages

Further, practitioners identified that there are age-related and profession-related differences in use of social media; therefore, effective disaster communication requires that messages are adapted to these: "Facebook goes from 30 to 65, Instagram goes from 15 to 30. Snapchat is under 15, LinkedIn is for professionals, and they are all a different and specific target. But I always refer to the work that was done upstream. We cannot improvise any piece of communication" (G2; R).

Note: See source document for full reference.

Applicable to:

Stakeholders: Age-related roles, Communication

Disaster Phases: Response

Types of Actors Concerned: National civil protection body, Local authorities, Government, Healthcare and emergency services

Hazards: Natural hazards, Man-made non-intentional hazards or emergency situations, Man-made intentional hazards

Recommendations:

- Inform citizens about the risk they may face and about possible actions and measures, they can take to reduce vulnerability and better prepare themselves
- Use cultural factors to improve the effectiveness of disaster communication

Source

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