



The importance of protecting the human rights of indigenous communities and local populations

The Council of Europe's Ethical Principles on Disaster Risk Reduction and People's Resilience emphasise "that the human rights of indigenous communities and local populations require special protection, taking account of their customs, cultures and differentiated relations with the environment, which make them more vulnerable to the risks of disaster".

Applicable to:

Stakeholders: [Customs/traditions/rituals](#), [Norms/values](#)

Disaster Phases: [Response](#), [Prevention](#)

Types of Actors Concerned: [Local authorities](#), [National civil protection body](#), [UN and other international organisations](#)

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

Recommendations:

- [Employ an overarching rights-based approach in disaster policies and operations](#)

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