



The potential risk of belief systems of the government and local decision-makers

With regard to government institutions, policy is directly affected by the belief systems of the government and local decision-makers. Some world views put environmental protection as a low priority and thus, resources may not be made available to adequately prevent disasters. Beliefs about climate change are the most striking in this regard.

Applicable to:

Stakeholders: [Norms/values](#), [Worldviews](#), [Attitudes toward environmental issues](#)

Disaster Phases: [Prevention](#)

Types of Actors Concerned: [Local authorities](#), [Government](#)

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

Recommendations:

- [Develop risk assessments methodologies, which consider cultural factors, the manner in which people cognitively process information and which employ a gender perspective](#)

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