London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (Christopher Bes/MERLIN) **ODI/ODI Network** Pastoral Development Network (ODI) **Plunkett Foundation** PRDU York University **PW Worldwide** RAPID ED (network of NGOs in education) (John McCall/International Extension College) **Refugee Participation Network (John** Potter/London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine) Registered Engineers for Disaster Relief (RedR) Relief and Rehabilitation Network (David Morley/Institute of Child Health, Susan Barber/World Vision) RIBA Risk and Reliability Society (CP Ellinas/Mott MacDonald Group) Royal Academy of Engineering Royal Meteorological Society (M Hulme/Climatic Research Unit University of E Anglia) Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) RTPI SID Silver Platter/Medicine (J Fisher/World Association for Disaster) Society of Industrial Emergency Services Officers Society for Risk Analysis Society of Risk Management Structural Adjustment Forum Sudan Lobby Group (Maggie Baxter/Charity Projects) TAA TAMS (Maureen B Gibbins/Institute of Risk Management) **Technology Management in Europe** UDG **UK Clinical and Public Health Medical** Organisation (P Baxter/Dept of Community Medicine Cambridge University) UK/EU Advisory European EUAC Society UK IDNDR committees/working groups (David Oakley) **UK NGO AIDS Consortium UK Systems Society** UK Working Group on Landmines (Maggie Baxter/Charity Projects) **UN Reform Group, London** UNHCR Information Notes on Former Yugoslavia Volcanic Studies Group (Geological Society) Volcano Net/Network (P Baxter/Dept of Community Medicine University of Cambridge; RSJ SP/Geology Dept University of Bristol) Wind Engineering Society (BE Lee/Dept of Civil Engineering University of Portsmouth) World Association of Emergency and Disaster Medicine (AD Redmond/UK-Med) World Health Organisation Disaster Assessor, Europe (P Baxter/Dept of Community Medicine University of Cambridge)

World Health Organisation/UNHCR Information Service

#### Other networks known to be operating in the UK

International Association for the Study of Forced Migration Royal Institute for International Affairs Chatham House 10 St James's Square London SW1Y 4LE

#### Professional

Association of Geoscientists in Development Association of Consulting Engineers Association of MBAs Bellagio Publishing Network British Consultants Bureau British Dam Society **British Hydrological Society British Nutrition Society** British Psychological Society Commission and Association within Council of Churches of Britain and Ireland **Evanaelical Missionary Alliance Geological Society London** Institute/Institution of Civil Engineers Institute of British Geographers Institute of Management Consultants Joint Association for Wind Engineering London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Royal Academy of Engineering **RIBA** Royal Meteorological Society Silver Platter/Medicine Society for Risk Analysis UK Clinical and Public Health Medical Organisation **UK Systems Society** Wind Engineering Society International Society of Travel Medicine International Chamber of Commerce International Association of Wind Engineering

#### General development

BOND Centre for Development Studies (Bath U) DSA EC-NGO network Pastoral Development Network (ODI) Structural Adjustment Forum UN Reform Group, London

#### Other (& unknown)

AES ACP BCB

#### CLONG

European Association for Studies of Science and Technology HIC **Huridocs** IAAE IBRASAM ICD and DS IMAGE Informal Social Studies of Visti Community International Council for Protection of Monuments International Panel on Climate Change **IRC Water News** IRDN ITDG **ODI/ODI Network Plunkett Foundation** PW Worldwide RAPID ED (network of NGOs in education) **Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)** RTPI SID TAA TAMS Technology Management in Europe UDG **UK/EU Advisory European EUAC Society UK Systems Society** 

list of networks by type

#### Discister (UK)

Emergency Planning Society CODEP (UK Network on Conflict, Development and Peace)

Co-ordinating Committee for Conflict Resolution DEC

EMA Rapid Response to Major Disasters Forced Migration Network, University of Oxford Hazard Forum Institution of Civil Defence and Disaster Studies Institute of Risk Management Interchurch Relief and Development Alliance PRDU York University Refugee Participation Network Registered Engineers for Disaster Relief (RedR) Relief and Rehabilitation Network (ODI) Risk and Reliability Society Society of Risk Management UK IDNDR committees/working groups UK NGO AIDS Consortium UK Working Group on Landmines Volcanic Studies Group (Geological Society) Volcano NET

#### International

ACC/SCN Refugee Nutrition Information System ACC/SCN Acting Committee on Co-ordination Earthquake Engineering Field Investigation Team - [?USA] Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, USA Global Seismic Data Network Hazard Network, University of Arizona International Civil Defence Organisation (Geneva) International Geographical Union Famine Commission Society of Industrial Emergency Services Officers **UNHCR Information Notes on Former Yugoslavia** World Association of Emergency and Disaster Medicine WHO Disaster Assessor (Europe) WHO/UNHCR Information Service

#### Geographical

ACBAR Bangladesh Disaster Forum British Agencies Afghanistan Group European Network of Bangladesh Studies INCS Forum (NGOs with interest in Somalia) Sudan Lobby Group

# Appendix three

## Summary of research methodology

The aim of the audit was to gain a coherent overview of the current UK assets available in the field of Disaster Mitigation and Preparedness (DMP), in order to:

- Identify strengths, weaknesses and gaps in UK DMP capability;
- Encourage and enhance networking and skillsharing within the DMP community;
- Contribute to a more comprehensive and co-ordinated response to international disaster needs.

At the outset of the project the intention had been for a series of face to face interviews of all those working in disaster preparedness and mitigation. However it soon became apparent that the DMP community was far larger than originally suspected. Hence a postal questionnaire was developed (see below)

The questionnaire was divided into four sections:

- Organisations (general information, ie name, address, etc);
- Activities (information on regions of activity, hazard expertise, skills available, work content, education and training courses, professional networks and funding);
- Information (for example, journals, information and networks);
- Courses (training and academic courses available within the UK).

Over 450 questionnaires were mailed, using addresses gained from existing databases of NGO and disaster organisations (including OCDS's), as well as networks, eg CODEP. The strategy of mailing was very much to mailshot as many organisations and individuals as possible, in order to try not to miss any organisations and/or individuals who were not known to the 'mainstream' DMP community.

To complement the questionnaires selected representational organisations and individuals were interviewed, the findings forming the basis of the caption boxes. The aim of the boxes is to present a more qualitative feel for the information presented.

### **Findings**

At the end of the exercise 173 completed questionnaires were returned. This figure is low in comparison to the 450 sent out, yet encouraging when the strategy for mailing, as stated, was that if an organisation was in the remotest way suspected of working in this field, then a questionnaire was sent. The *proportional* percentage of returned questionnaires according to organisational type was.

Organisational type	Proportional per cent
Chanty/NGO	33
Individual consultant	11
Private company	7
Government department	2
Academic/research body	31
Intergovernmental agency	1
Consultancy	15

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Therefore, for example, it can be seen that one third of all returning questionnaires were from charities/ NGOs.

## The database

A key component of this audit was the development of a database of information. The database contains all the information represented in this publication. It contains each of the main sections of the audit and allows for cross interrogation of the following categories: organisations, regions of activity, hazard expertise, work content and skills. There were no restrictions on information entered into the database, other than that the information followed the key theme of disaster mitigation, preparedness and (eventually widened to) response.

The database software used was *Microsoft Access Two*. The database structure allowed for questioning of the data, as well as flexibility in presentation. It should be noted therefore that this report represents only an overview of the data available, since the interrogations that can be made of the data are almost infinite. Findings were analysed both quantitatively (the statistics as presented in the tables and charts) and qualitatively - the editors matched their own experience and knowledge, as well as did the first draft readers from IDNDR Committees) with the data being produced.

### Data presentation

A decision was made to structure the findings primarily according to the constant of *organisation* relative to respective organisations' *activities* (including regions of activity, hazard expertise, work content and skills). Hence key chapters are presented by activities. For each of these sections there are two sets of statistics presented: a pie chart giving the breakdown of organisations according to activity, for example 8 per cent of all organisations responding to the audit are involved in landslide related activities; and a table giving the percentage of activity of a particular organisation according to activity, for example 37 per cent of individual consultants replying to the questionnaires stated work in famine.

As stated in the foreword, it is important to make the following general points regarding the audit and its interpretation: the responses to the questionnaires and to individual interviews was encouraging. However, there are some gaps: some individuals and organisations failed to submit their response in time for inclusion in the analysis (although they are included in the directory). The editors may not also have been able to contact all who should have been included in this exercise. It is hoped that later editions will cover such omissions. The information contained in this audit reflects the responses given on the returned questionnaires: it was felt not to be the role of the editors to alter any returning information (unless obviously incorrect) since it would have been impossible in practice to assess all information equally. Finally, the aim of the research, as a first exercise in this field, was to investigate *breadth* rather than *depth*. Hence many of the findings are broad, and some may feel that some more detail would have been useful. Where this is the case it is hoped the audit will prove useful in providing a platform for more detailed research by others.

Further information regarding the research methodology employed can be obtained from the Oxford Centre for Disaster Studies, PO Box 137, Oxford, OX4 1BB, UK. Tel: 01865 202772; Fax: 01865 202848 The International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (IDNDR)

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# Questionnaire

to provide information for The Audit of UK Assets

Your completion of this questionnaire will provide the information for you/your organisation's entry in the forthcoming publication, The Audit of UK Assets in Disaster Mitigation and Preparedness. You/your organisation will also receive a complementary copy of the audit on its production.

Please complete and return this questionnaire by 15 February 1995.

### When completed please return to:

David Sanderson, Project Manager, The Oxford Centre for Disaster Studies (OCDS), PO Box 137, Oxford. OX4 1BB. If any clarification is required please call 0865 202772 or Fax 0865 202848.

# Organisation

- 1. Name of organisation/individual consultant
- 2. Address (with post code)
- 3. Telephone number

4. Fax number

- 5. E Mail address
- 6. Contact name and key position (to go as the contact name in The Audit)
- 7. If applicable, please give the names and positions of three other individuals in your organisation with disaster expertise
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8. Please indicate if you/your organisation are/is a(n):

- Charity/NGO
- Private company
- Academic/research body
- Consultancy

- Individual Consultant Government Department
- Intergovernmental agency

9. Please state when the organisation was formed/you began work in disasters

10. Please briefly state your (organisation's) aims/mission statement

11. Number of full time staff, if any

12. Income for 1993/4

13. Expenditure for 1993/4

East Asia

Africa

Middle East

USA and Canada

South/South East Asia

# **Activities**

#### Region

1. Please tick the regions in which you/your organisation works in disaster related activity:

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		Latin	America	inc.	Mexico
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- Australia and Pacific
- The Caribbean
- Western Europe
- Eastern Europe/Former Soviet Union

#### **Hazard Type**

2. Please tick the disaster types in which you/your organisation is involved:

Earthquake Drought Hurricane and cyclone Volcano Famine Complex emergency Disease and epidemic Flood Landslide ۵

Other:

#### Links

3. Do/does you/your organisation work with southern organisations? Yes/no.

If no, please go to question 4. If yes, please indicate which:

International NGOs	Regional networks
Grassroots NGOs	Government Department
National NGOs	independent Consultancy
Intergovernmental agency	Academic/research body
Private company	

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4. Regarding your (organisation's) relationship with the southern organisation, please indicate whether you are:

- Project partner
- Funder
- Main contractor
- Financial resources provider, eg credit loans
- Training provider Insurance
- Information exchange

Other:

#### Skills

5. Please indicate which skills related to disasters you/your organisation includes:

- Food security Meteorology Engineering Seismology **Building and architecture** Energy Physical planning Remote sensing Health/epidemiology/nutrition Agriculture Transport Forestry Training Hydrology Information management Geomorphology Technical research Volcanology Social science research Anthropology Communications
- Conflict prevention/tension reduction

- Insurance/reinsurance
- AT/indigenous knowledge
- - **Development economics**

- Media

Other:

#### Work Content

6. Please tick the kinds of work you/your organisation is most closely related to:

- Community level disaster preparedness
- Southern public awareness programmes
- Northern public awareness programme
- Relief/humanitarian agencies
- Vulnerability assessment
- ۵ National preparedness planning systems Gender issues

**Conflict resolution** 

Major engineering works

Structural mitigation measures

**Risk assessment** 

Warning systems

Goods manufacture

Other:

#### Events

7. Do you organise disaster related events? Yes/no.

If no, please go on to question 8. If yes, please indicate which:

0	Workshop	Seminar
D	Conference	Public exhibitions

Other:

Please list any disaster related events,	, eg conferences,	seminars,	workshops you/y	our organisation
might be hosting after June 1995 under	er the following he	eadings:		

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Location

Start and finish dates

#### **Current activities**

8. Please briefly outline you/your organisation's current disaster related activities under the following headings:

Title

Location and Duration

**Brief objectives** 

#### **Planned initiatives**

9. Please outline briefly you/your organisation's planned disaster related initiatives under the following headings:

Title

Location and Duration

Brief objectives

# Information

#### Journals, newsletters, publications

1. Do you/your organisation produce journals, periodicals and/or publications? Yes/no.

If no, go to question 2. If yes, please list any journals and/or periodicals you/your organisation produce(s), under the following headings:

Title

Frequency *eg weekly*  Target audience ag Planners

Subscription cost

Please list your (organisation's) most recent disaster related **publications**, if any, under the following headings:

Author(s)	Title	Publisher	Year
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#### Information and Networks

2. Please state the best most recent 'grey literature' (conference proceedings, reports, discussion papers, etc) you have seen, using where possible the following headings:

Author(s)	Title	Organisation (if any)	Year
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3. What resources, if any, do(es) you/your organisation house which are accessible for outside users? Please tick:

Inquiry service

Library/information centre
Photo, video and film library

Other:

4. Please list any professional networks you may belong to:

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5. Are y	you connected to E Mail? Yes/no			
lf yes, v	which networks/ bulletin boards do you u	se? Plea	se list:	
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6. Please tick any journals/periodicals/newsletters you/your organisation subscribe(s) to:				
	Hazards Forum		Civil Protection	
	Disaster Management Disasters Journal		Emergency	
Other:				

## Courses

If you are not involved in training or education, please go to the final question.

1. Please identify any hazard related UK based training courses you/your organisation is responsible for, under the following headings:

Title and aims

Duration

Qualification (if any)

2. Please identify any hazard related UK based academic courses you/your organisation is responsible for, under the following headings:

Title and aims

Duration

Qualification

Are there any UK based individuals/organisations working in disasters known to you which you think we may have missed? If so, please give

Name

Position

Contact address (inc phone/fax if possible)

Do you have any final comments? Please state:

Thankyou for your support

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## **Project Summary**

## Aim

The aim of the audit is to gain a coherent overview of the current UK assets available in the field of Disaster Mitigation and Preparedness (DMP). It is intended that the audit will provide an up to date resource of information available to the DMP community, funders and interested parties which will:

- identify strengths, weaknesses and gaps in UK DMP capability (thus enabling the IDNDR Working Group to be more effective)
- · Encourage and enhance networking and skillsharing within the DMP community
- Contribute to a more comprehensive and co-ordinated response to international disaster needs.

## The audit

The audit, due for publication in Summer 1995, will be organized into the following four categories:

Organisations
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Public, private and charity sector names, addresses and background information

• Individuals

Individual consultants and key individuals in organisations

Resources

Training/education, financial resources, publications, information and networks, etc

Events

Forthcoming UK based seminars, workshops and conferences

The audit will be made available in written form and as a database, and it is intended will be updated every 2-3 years.

## **Project Implementation**

The project is implemented on behalf of the Overseas Development Administration by *The Oxford Centre for Disaster Studies* (OCDS) in association with the *Intermediate Technology Development Group* (ITDG).

Any enquines regarding the audit should be addressed to:

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