



Expert Meeting

Losses from climate-related extremes in Europe

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Room 8.0.6, Ground Floor, Building 8

Rationale and objectives for the expert meeting:

In the Annual Work Programme for 2019 of the European Environment Agency (EEA), the further development of the indicator on economic losses from climate-related extremes in Europe, based on data from a re-insurance company (Munich Re), is included. After several consecutive years of annual publication of this indicator, the EEA wants to assess the potential to broaden its scope as well as how to improve the quality of the indicator, for example by potentially using additional data sources. In addition, data on economic losses are collected and reported by countries to international conventions (UNFCCC, UNDRR). Thus, the expert meeting aims to take into account feedback from both key users and data providers.

The objective of EEA of the expert meeting is to bring together experts from various organisations to review and discuss the current content and use of the EEA work on this topic as well as to establish a draft set of suggestions for further development. The meeting is also meant to share more broadly knowledge and experiences on loss data in Europe. The knowledge, insights and use-cases collected during the workshop will feed into the revised work plan for the future assessment work on this topic.

In 2019, the EEA together with the European Topic Centre on Climate Change Impacts, Vulnerability and Adaptation (ETC/CCA) will develop a work plan for an elaborated and/or revised assessment from 2020 onwards. A draft will be prepared as background note for this expert meeting and will be finalised based on the meeting participants' input.

Format of the meeting:

In the morning, the first session includes presentations of current indicator. The second sessions focusses on its potential for further development into an assessment. Both sessions will be followed by a Q&A session. In the afternoon, different topics presented will be discussed into more detail. A first discussion includes the user perspective ("why") and the scope of the assessment ("what"), while the second session of the afternoon focusses on "how" this can be done. To allow all participants to contribute actively and effectively, the number of invited experts is limited.



Final Agenda (v.3)

09:30-10:00	Registration
10:00-10:20	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and workshop objectives (Eva Jensen and André Jol, EEA) • Interactive icebreaker
10:20-11:10	Current indicator on 'Economic losses from climate-related extremes in Europe' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the NatCatService (Petra Löw, Munich Re) • Presentation of the actual EEA work (Wouter Vanneuville, EEA and Jaroslav Mysiak, ETC/CCA) • Q&A
11:10-11:30	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>
11:30-12:10	Disaster Risk Management Knowledge Centre (DRMKC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the Risk Data Hub (Tiberiu-Eugen Antofie, DG JRC, remotely) Sendai Framework monitoring system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sendai Framework monitoring system and UN disaster loss data collection system Desinventar (Sebastien Penzini, UNDRR)
12:10-13:00	Ideas for potential further development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the background paper (Jaroslav Mysiak and Hans Visser, ETC/CCA) • Q&A • Interactive exercise to prepare for the afternoon session
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch (followed by coffee/tea)</i>
14:00-15:00	Interactive session (part 1) Group discussion around the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data sources; • Trends over time and geographical patterns; • Europe in a global context.
15:00-16:00	Interactive session (part 2) Group discussion around the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measuring and presenting impact; • Data modelling
16:00-16:15	Synergies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operationalisation of the synergies with the Sendai and SDG indicators; • Strengthening the collaboration between the different key-players.
16:15-16:30	Wrap-up and next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting outputs • Next steps by EEA and further involvement of experts
16:30	<i>End of meeting</i>