

Mainstreaming CDRR into the Education Sector: Lessons Learned in the Eastern and Southern Africa Region

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Eastern and Southern Africa



- Natural hazards: droughts, floods, severe storms, cyclones
- Conflict: internal conflicts in Somalia and South Sudan, competition for resources in arid and semi-arid lands, postelection violence in Kenya, etc.
- Complex emergencies: e.g. Somalia in 2011
- Cross border/regional issues: e.g. large population displacements (refugees)

ESA REGIONAL PROFILE

- 12 out of 21 countries in ESA ranked as fragile stages by the OECD
- Global Peace Fund Fragile State index 10 year trend shows fragility among highest risk countries in ESA has increased, not decreased
- Over 47% (209 million of 430 million) people in ESA are under 18 yrs old (20.3 million in Kenya, 47% of total population).
- Of 57,8 million OOSC globally (primary level), 20.8% (12,1 million) are in ESA. (UIS, 2013)
- 85.6% (or 10,2 million) OOSC at primary level in ESA are concentrated in 10 fragile and conflict affected states (UIS, 2013)
- Experts predict that ESA will be one of the regions most affected by climate change



Conflict and natural hazards





BACKGROUND: from EPR to CDRR

Steps	Activities	Outputs/Outcomes
<u>2009</u> : Emergency preparedness and response (EPR)	Training of frontline responders (cascade training from the regional to the local level)	 ✓ Appointment of emergency focal points ✓ EPR Plans ✓ Contextualisation of INEE Min. Standards ✓ Prepositioning of supplies
2014 : Mainstreaming of Conflict and Disaster Risk Reduction (CDRR) into education sector planning and curriculum	Pilot workshop in Uganda, October 2014 in partnership with UNESCO IEP	 Making the education sector risk informed and conflict sensitive ✓ Analysis ✓ Policy ✓ Planning ✓ M&E ✓ Budget





"He appears to have lost all of his resilience."

IMPLEMENTING CDRR

- 1. Identify hazards affecting countries and the education system
- 2. Identify how the education system itself might contribute to **mitigating or exacerbating** conflict
- 3. Identify existing **education policies** in respective country context that address reducing the risks of disaster and various forms of violence from armed conflict, gang-related violence, and even bullying
- 4. Education Sector Plans, EMIS, Budget
- 5. Include cross border issues...





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and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or e United Nations. * Final boundary between the Republic of Sudan and the Republic of South Sudan determined. ** Final status of the Abyei area is not yet determined.

2 September 2014 Sources: Refugee statistics - UNHCR, IDP statistics - UNOCHA, Boundaries -

ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

- 1. Emergencies can wait
- 2. Evidence: impact of conflict and natural hazards?
- 3. High staff turnover and the need to institutionalize CDRR
- 4. Identify CDRR Champions
- 5. Need to harmonise the tools
- 6. Need to streamline the approaches and concepts (CCA, DRR, etc.)





• Who will **drive** the mainstreaming of CDRR?

Who will advocate for CDRR?

• Who will provide the **technical assistance**?

• Who will **fund** the mainstreaming of CDRR?

