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Disaster Resilience National Academies, Policy and Global Affairs, Committee on Science, Engineering, and Public Policy, Committee on Increasing National Resilience to Hazards and Disasters, 2012-11-29 No person or place is immune from disasters or disaster related losses Infectious disease outbreaks acts of terrorism social unrest or financial disasters in addition to natural hazards can all lead to large scale consequences for the nation and its communities Communities and the nation thus face difficult fiscal social cultural and environmental choices about the best ways to ensure basic security and quality of life against hazards deliberate attacks and disasters Beyond the unquantifiable costs of injury and loss of life from disasters statistics for 2011 alone indicate economic damages from natural disasters in the United States exceeded 55 billion with 14 events costing more than a billion dollars in damages each One way to reduce the impacts of disasters on the nation and its communities is to invest in enhancing resilience the ability to prepare and plan for absorb recover from and more successfully adapt to adverse events Disaster Resilience A National Imperative addresses the broad issue of increasing the nation's resilience to disasters This book defines national resilience describes the state of knowledge about resilience to hazards and disasters and frames the main issues related to increasing resilience in the United States It also provides goals baseline conditions or performance metrics for national resilience and outlines additional information data gaps and or obstacles that need to be addressed to increase the nation's resilience to disasters Additionally the book's authoring committee makes recommendations about the necessary approaches to elevate national resilience to disasters in the United States Enhanced resilience allows better anticipation of disasters and better planning to reduce disaster losses rather than waiting for an event to occur and paying for it afterward Disaster Resilience confronts the topic of how to increase the nation's resilience to disasters through a vision of the characteristics of a resilient nation in the year 2030 Increasing disaster resilience is an imperative that requires the collective will of the nation and its communities Although disasters will continue to occur actions that move the nation from reactive approaches to disasters to a proactive stance where communities actively engage in enhancing resilience will reduce many of the broad societal and economic burdens that disasters can cause

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In this timely book Claire B Rubin and Susan L Cutter focus on disaster recovery efforts community resilience and public policy issues of related to recent disasters and what they portend for the future Beginning with the external societal forces influencing shifts in policy and practice the next six chapters provide in depth accounts of recent disasters the Joplin Tuscaloosa Birmingham and Moore tornadoes Hurricanes Sandy Harvey Irma Maria and the California wildfires The book concludes with a chapter on loss accounting and a summary chapter on what has gone right what has gone wrong and why the federal government may no longer be a reliable partner in emergency management Accessible and clearly written by authorities in a wide range of related fields with local experiences this book offers a rich array of case studies and describes their significance in shifting emergency management policy and practice in the United States during the past decade Through a careful blending of contextual analysis and practical information this book is essential reading for students an interested public and professionals alike

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Bryson, 2021-12-20 Environmental sustainability efforts require a great deal of engagement and political will ranging from local communities to state departments Science diplomats from experts and scientists to spokespersons and ambassadors can help facilitate at all levels and yield valued resources from technology sharing capacity building and knowledge exchanges This book explores the importance of sustained international scientific cooperation building community resilience and the role of political will in sustainability and diplomacy It shows how even small diplomatic efforts can influence myriad issues from overfishing to human rights negotiations to global carbon emission reduction Features Examines various topics such as global climate change arid environments water security and governance trans boundary conflict and cooperation urban and rural resilience and public health Presents case studies from various geographic regions through the lens of diplomacy

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Penning-Rowsell, 2022-06-30 This Handbook provides a state of the science review of research and practice in the human dimensions of hazards field The Routledge Handbook of Environmental Hazards and Society reviews and assesses existing knowledge and explores future research priorities in this growing field It showcases the work of international experts including established researchers future stars in the field and practitioners Organised into four parts all chapters have an international focus and many include case studies from around the world Part I explains geophysical and hydro meteorological climatological hazards their impacts and mitigation Part II explores vulnerability resilience and equity Part III explores preparedness responses during environmental hazard events impacts and the recovery process Part IV explores policy and practice including governments support provided during and after environmental hazard events and provision of information This Handbook will serve as an important resource for students academics practitioners and policymakers working in the fields of environmental hazards and disaster risk reduction Innovations in Transportable Healthcare Architecture Stephen Verderber, 2015-10-05 Innovations in Transportable Healthcare Architecture is the first book to examine the ways that healthcare architecture can provide better assistance in disaster stricken communities Aimed at architects and other professionals working across the disaster relief sector it provides An overview of the need for rapid response healthcare facilities Global case studies which demonstrate real examples Historical perspectives on redeployables used in past military and civilian contexts Analysis of the advantages challenges and opportunities associated with offsite premanufactured healthcare facilities and their component systems for permanent installations or reuse on multiple sites Planning and design considerations for transportable offsite built healthcare architecture State of the art research on pop up clinics truck based configurations ISO container based outpatient clinical and trauma care centres and modularized facilities for contemporary military and civilian contexts Innovations in Transportable Healthcare Architecture will be an invaluable reference source for architects disaster mitigation planners design and engineering practitioners non governmental medical aid organizations NGOs governmental health ministries and policy specialists across the spectrum of disciplines engaged in disaster mitigation and the provision of healthcare in medically underserved communities globally *New Metropolitan Perspectives* Francesco Calabrò, Lucia Della Spina, Carmelina Bevilacqua, 2018-05-18 This book explores the role of cities and the urban rural linkages in spurring innovation embedded in spatial planning strategic and economic planning and decision support systems In particular the contributions examine the complexity of the current transitional phase towards achieving smart inclusive and sustainable growth and investigate the post 2020 UE cohesion policy The main topics include Innovation dynamics and smart cities Urban regeneration community led and PPP Inland and urban area development Mobility accessibility infrastructures Heritage landscape and Identity and Risk management Environment and Energy The book includes a selection of articles accepted for presentation and discussion at the 3rd International Symposium New

Metropolitan Perspectives Isth2020 held at the University of Reggio Calabria Italy on 22-25 May 2018 The symposium which addressed the challenge of local knowledge and innovation dynamics towards territory attractiveness hosted the final event of the MAPS LED project under Horizon2020 MSCA RISE

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