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## United Nations/Germany Expert Meeting on Space Technologies for flood and drought risk reduction

This Expert Meeting will focus on the use of space technologies to improve disaster risk reduction. Floods and droughts will serve as examples for hazard types that have recently affected countries around the globe. Recent examples are the UK floods in February 2014, floods in Central Europe in June 2013, the floods following super typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines in November 2013, or the droughts in Eastern Africa 2011 and droughts in Bolivia in 2013.

### Time and Place

5-6 June 2014 in Bonn, Germany

### Expert Meeting Objectives

The main objective of the expert meeting is to promote the use of space-based applications to assess and to manage flood and drought risks and to produce recommendations for the improvement of flood and drought risk management through the use of such applications. Furthermore, the expert meeting is expected to elaborate elements to contribute to the Post 2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (HFA2) and to sustainable development as well as elements to contribute to the upcoming World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction to take place in Sendai, Japan, in March 2015.

### Participants

The expert meeting is expected to bring together a selected number of participants from national and international organisations as well as from the private sector. This includes experts from the space community who focus their efforts on disaster-risk management and emergency response activities and experts from the disaster-risk management and emergency response communities who are involved in early warning and disaster preparedness activities.

### Financial Support

A number of qualified applicants from developing countries, who have expressed the need for financial support, will be offered financial support to attend the expert meeting.

### Deadlines

22 April 2014

### Application/More information

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