

TIEMS International Activities to improve Global Resilience

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Abstract:

TIEMS was founded in 1993 in Washington DC, USA, and is today registered as an international, independent, non political, not for profit NGO in Belgium. It is a Global Forum for Education, Training, Certification and Policy in Emergency and Disaster Management. TIEMS provides a platform for all stakeholders within the global emergency and disaster management community to meet, network and learn from each other and exchange knowledge and experience. It aims to influence policy makers worldwide to improve global cooperation and to establish global standards within emergency and disaster management. TIEMS prepares the world for emergencies. We are a global forum for education, training, certification, and policy for emergency and disaster management. We do not respond to emergencies: We ensure that others are ready to respond. This is important internationally because some parts of the world otherwise have limited support for preparation.

As the international community discovers and develops new technologies, methodologies, and best practices, we offer conferences, on-going forums, and training courses that rapidly and continuously spread the knowledge to every corner of the community. As policy makers grow to understand both the need for preparation and the support TIEMS provides, we expect to influence policy choices that strengthen cooperation among regional communities before a disaster strikes.

TIEMS activities:

- International Conferences, Workshops and Exhibitions, focusing on different Emergency Management and Disaster Topics,
- Electronic Newsletter with latest News and Articles of Interest and Monthly Messages from TIEMS President,
- Research & Development Project Initiatives and Coordination of RTD Projects,
- International Education, Training and Certification Programs,
- Global Young Scientist Network,
- Local Chapter Activity to Stimulate Local Initiatives and Build a Global Expert Network where different Cultural Practises are added value,
- Task Force Groups.

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