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Broadening and strengthening stakeholder engagement in emergency preparedness, response and recovery: Findings from the ENGAGE Project

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Abstract

The importance of stakeholder engagement has been increasingly recognized in the field of radiological protection. This contribution elaborates on findings from the ENGAGE project (ENhancinG stAkeholder participation in the GovernancE of radiological risks, funded by CONCERT), which has (among others) studied stakeholder engagement in emergency preparedness, response and recovery (EP&R). Building on an analysis of (inter)national requirements and expectations for, and case studies of stakeholder engagement practices in EP&R, we highlight how dominant understandings of stakeholder engagement are often narrow in terms of the stakeholders identified, and their participation in (preparedness for) emergency management. We argue how these dominant understandings can be broadened (in terms of stakeholders and forms of engagement) and strengthened (in terms of sustainability and impact). More specifically, this contribution presents four different dimensions along which this process of broadening and strengthening can happen: 1) through a reflection on and recognition of all rationales motivating engagement, 2) through embracing both top-down and bottom-up stakeholder engagement, 3) through being aware of and facilitating cooperation between formal and informal engagement, and 4) through enabling the development of RP culture among and through different stakeholders. Moreover, we discuss how these four dimensions also offer tools for reflecting and acting upon the underlying power dynamics of stakeholder engagement.
