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Agenda Item 15 – EW4All

Early Warnings for All initiative

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Early Warnings for All (EW4All) aims to protect everyone everywhere with life saving early warnings



- Announced by UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres on 23 March 2022 (World Meteorological Day) and launched at COP27
- Aligns with the priorities of the Paris Agreement and is integrated into the global goal on adaptation
- Supports key provisions of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, particularly Target G on availability and accessibility of multi-hazard early warning systems
- Contributes directly to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), on poverty, hunger, health, water, clean energy, climate action and sustainable cities
- NOT standalone programme or project!
 - → EW4All builds on existing or previous initiatives and partnerships

Early Warnings for All: Structure & Objectives



Disaster risk knowledge

Systematically collect data and undertake risk assessments

- Are the hazards and the vulnerabilities well known by the communities?
- What are the patterns and trends in these factors?
- Are risk maps and data widely available?

Pillar 1



Detection, observations, monitoring, analysis and forecasting of hazards

Develop hazard monitoring and early warning services

- Are the right parameters being monitored?
- Is there a sound scientific basis for making forecasts?
- Can accurate and timely warnings be generated?



Preparedness and response capabilities

Build national and community response capabilities

- Are response plans up to date and tested?
- Are local capacities and knowledge made use of?
- Are people preapred and ready to react to warnings?

Pillar 4



Warning dissemination and communication

Communicate risk information and early warnings

- Do warnings reach all of those at risk?
- Are the risks and warnings understood?
- Is the warning information clear and usable?

Pillar 3



Initial phase



Use tools and methodologies to rapidly scale-up the inclusion of countries

Capture support for Early Warning in all the places it occurs

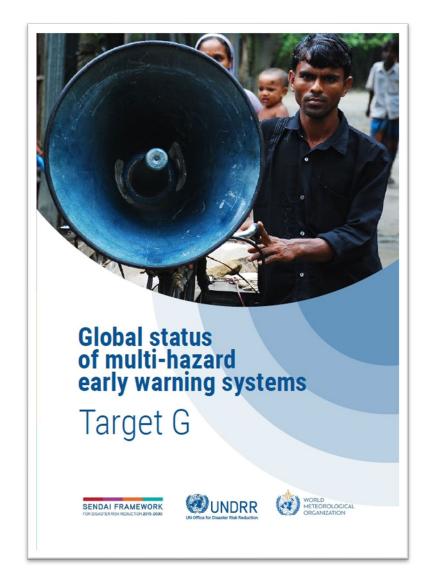
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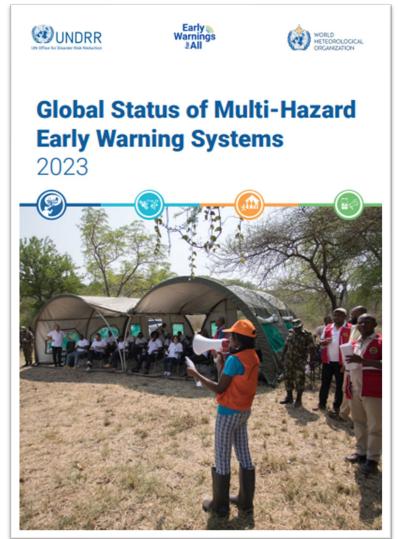
Enhance national Ownership

Scale-up south-south and twinning



Global Status Reports on EW4All

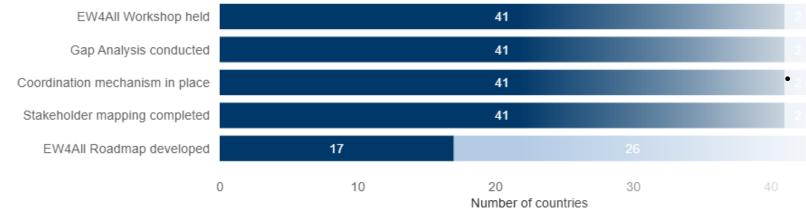








Global roll-out progress



EW4All continues to stimulate MHEWS scale up nationally, regionally and globally

- MHEWS has become a unifying agenda Sendai Framework, Paris Agreement, SDGs...
- Existing and new initiatives and programmes aligning with the goal of EW4All
- National MHEWS Plans and EW4All Roadmaps are being developed and implemented
- EW4All is bringing together stakeholders through national consultations and multistakeholder forums at national, regional and global levels
- The EW4All Dashboard enables progress to be monitored across and within each pillar

Financial mechanisms are investing...



- Momentum is building with multiple initiatives pledging their support
- Finance is an enabler but it needs to be the 'right type', at the 'right time' and for the 'right duration'
- Investments must meet a country's priority needs – national strategies, plans and EW4All roadmaps are essential for developing a coherent, coordinated approach – where different financing mechanisms can be leveraged and complementary

















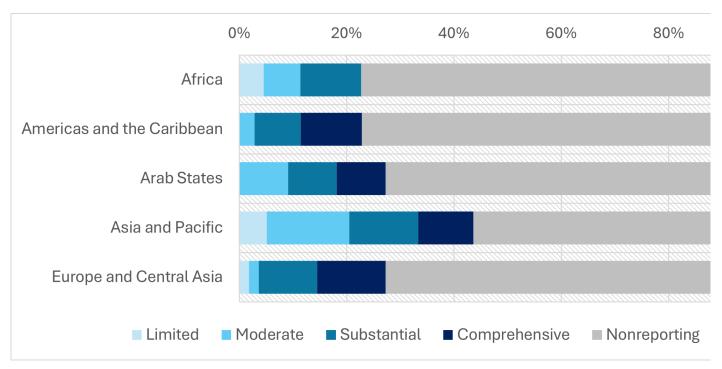






... however, funding for MHEWS must be targeted and sustained

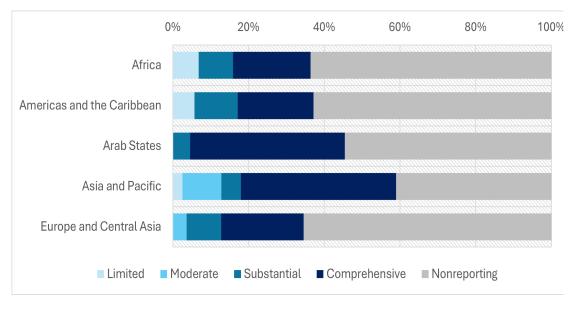
The extent and depth of risk knowledge is improving...



- Focused investments are bearing fruit
- Number of countries with 'limited' capabilities has halved in 2024
- Only a third of all countries reporting
- Comprehensiveness remains low in Africa

... although it still needs further strengthening

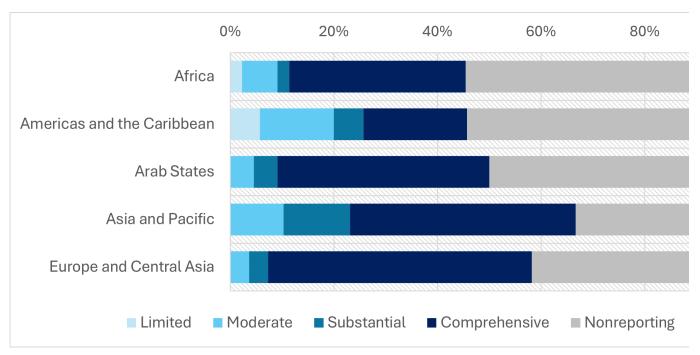
Observing and forecasting skills are improving...



- A third of countries worldwide report having multihazard monitoring and forecasting systems established
- The vast majority of NMHSs (85%) are providing early warnings to enable early action
- Encouraging progress in data exchange Number of WMO Members sharing data through WIS 2.0 has more than doubled
- Global progress is being made on infrastructure modernization, with a third of WMO Members having achieved full automatization of their observing network
- Regional hazard forecasting programmes are scaling up
- Impact-based forecasting capabilities remain weak
- Only a tenth of countries and no LDCs are GBONcompliant

but comprehensive capabilities are not widespread and emerging hazards bring additional challenges

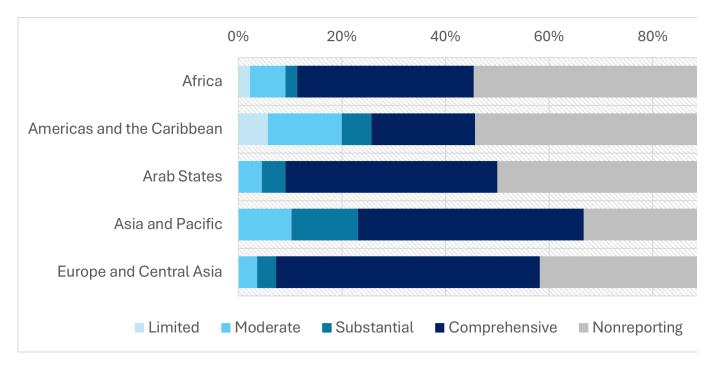
Enabled by improvements in digital infrastructure, warnings are reaching more people . More than half countries have some



- More than half countries have some capability and many have comprehensive capabilities
- 44 countries have implemented Cell Broadcast or Location-based SMS
- Common Alerting Protocol has been widely 'adopted' but its use is not sustained – half of WMO members are yet to issue an alert
- Inequalities persist in access to mobile phones and Internet, rendering some communities hard to reach
- A multi-channel approach is essential

... and need to be sustained

Momentum is building for anticipatory action and planned responses that save lives...



- 2.7 billion people pre-emptively evacuated from 2015-2023, more than half in Asia-Pacific
- Capabilities are least comprehensive in the Americas and the Caribbean, and across Africa
- The number of anticipatory action frameworks are increasing year
- National governments are taking a central role
- But only a quarter of all countries have a framework and most are for single hazards

... while plans need to keep pace with the growing complexity of risk

Regionalization of EW4All implementation





Synergies between EW4All Implementation Scale Up & WMO Partner Coordination Mechanism (PCM)

- EW4All Goal: Universal Early Warning System (EWS) coverage by 2027
 - Pillar 2 (WMO): Detection, Observation, Monitoring, Analysis & Forecasting
- Challenge: Data across pillars, donor coordination → fragmented impact
- Partner Coordination Mechanism: WMO-led platform to align projects (WMO internal & external), reduce duplication, and optimize resources
 - Implemented in Africa and Pacific
 - Global coverage
- Opportunity: Aligning PCM with EW4All strengthens Pillar 2 and its interlinkages with other pillars through enhanced coordination of capacity development activities





Key Objectives - Operationalizing Alignment

- Visualize projects and stakeholders in regions
- Facilitate stakeholder coordination & address country / regional gap
- Enhance knowledge sharing (best practices, innovations, lessons)
- Track Pillar 2 and interlinkages progress (roadmaps, policies, milestones)
- Bring non-WMO efforts into EW4All Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (Scale-Up)





Way Forward

- Map WMO / non-WMO projects (ongoing / pipeline) contributing to enhancement of NMHS's capacity and EWS value chain
- Develop a new feature of the EW4All dashboard to enhance regional visualization and analysis
- Secure endorsement of NMHSs to the PCM initiative in regions.
- Identify existing mechanisms and platforms that can be leveraged for the regional coordination effort.
- Next implementation: LAC region first consultation at
 - Caribbean Meteorological Council (CMC, 17-21 November)
 - Conferencia de los Servicios Meteorológicos e Hidrológicos Nacionales Iberoamericanos (CIMHET, 1st week of December)
 - North America (January 2026)

Capacity development challenges

- Needs spread across ALL areas of capacity development
- Early warning capabilities can provide an aggregated indicator of countries maturity
- All components of WMO Capacity development strategies will support this ambition and the sustainability of it





Thank you



