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Managing Today's Complex Crises: Lessons From the Past

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With climate change and technological development, the world is changing fast and disasters are posing an increasing complex challenge to society. Although the major emergencies of the future will not be exactly like those of the past, there is a need to learn and apply the lessons of past disasters in order to work for a safer future. With reference to significant events from distant and recent history, this talk will review some of the major lessons derived from disasters and consider how they may help disaster risk reduction as we move into an increasingly uncertain future. Emergency managers are often accused of "planning for the last disaster, not the next one", but paradoxically the study of successes and failures in managing the disasters of the past can help develop a better strategy for adapting to the disasters of the future.

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