Dominican Republic – Enhancing resilient and inclusive early warning systems

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**Context and Objectives**

With a high exposure to natural hazards, the Dominican Republic has recognized the critical need to improve its national regulatory framework for risk-informed territorial planning instruments and enhance resilience and disaster preparedness. The Strategic Development Plan 2030 includes the first policy guidelines to integrate territorial planning in development planning and define a new regulatory framework for this purpose.

The objective of this project is to provide support to the Government of the Dominican Republic to strengthen early warning systems and services.

**Main Activity and Expected Result**

*Institutional strengthening of the early-warning systems and services*

This project assists the transition toward impact-based and inclusive multi-hazard early warning systems and services. This includes a review of existing policy and institutional frameworks with the goal of ensuring interoperability and better integration of weather and climate information.

*Expected Result:*

- Better preparedness for natural hazards and improved decision-making processes in DRM.

**Partnerships and Coordination**

The World Bank implements this project in close collaboration with the Ministry of the Presidency (MINPRE), the Ministry of Economic Planning and Development (MEPYD), the Ministry of Education, the National Meteorological Office, and the National Geographical Institute. The World Bank coordinates its efforts with the EU Delegation in the Dominican Republic.

Work with the Government of the Dominican Republic is closely aligned with the preparation of the World Bank-funded Emergency Response Project. This component is also coordinated with the Climate Risk Early Warning Systems (CREWS) Initiative, particularly the regional CREWS Caribbean project.