ABOUT THE CENTRE

The Centre for Disaster Protection plays a unique role in the global risk management and crisis financing architecture. We were established to address major challenges to effective disaster risk financing and promote more impactful and more equitable disaster risk finance at scale, that leaves no one behind.

We work with governments and organisations to create practical and policy solutions, incentivise proactive risk management and risk financing and support risk informed decision making. We are the only international organisation focused on providing impartial technical advice and training on disaster risk finance – we do not implement or sell financial instruments.

We are deliberately multidisciplinary. Our team comprises experts in risk management, actuarial science, basic service delivery, public financial management, economics, risk modelling, finance, policy and strategic communications, humanitarian delivery, gender, and inclusion.

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ABOUT THE SAHEL PROJECT

The Sahel Shock Response Programme is a five-year project, funded by UK Aid, to strengthen national social protection systems to prepare for the impacts of climate-related shocks in the Sahel region. The Sahel Shock Response Programme funds the World Bank's Sahel Adaptive Social Protection Program (SASPP). The Centre works alongside the SASPP, providing specialised advisory, technical assistance and research capabilities to improve the way disaster risk financing enhances and supports adaptive social protection in the Sahel region.

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EXAMPLES OF OUR WORK IN THE SAHEL

- The Centre is assessing and comparing the effectiveness of different indicators for predicting droughts and floods in Burkina Faso, Chad and Mali. This will help inform improvements of early warning systems and the design of triggers for early social protection support.

- As well as extreme events, Sahel countries continue to experience frequent, less severe shocks. Financing through national budgets tends to be cost-effective to prepare and respond to such shocks but is difficult for governments with limited resources. The Centre is conducting research on how domestic funds in Sahelian countries can be more effective and efficient in delivering shock response.

- The Centre is building on an existing tool for estimating the cost of scaling cash transfers in response to droughts in Niger. This will help government officials and their partners better attune responses to available resources and make the tool accessible to officials in other Sahelian countries.