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Disasters, whether natural, technological, or public health-related, are increasing in frequency, scale, and complexity, with profound human, economic, and geopolitical consequences. While advances in early warning systems, infrastructure, and coordinated response have reduced some vulnerabilities, new risks driven by climate change, demographic shifts, and global interdependence threaten to reverse these gains. Against this backdrop, the need for effective legal and institutional frameworks for disaster management has never been more urgent.

This book offers a comprehensive yet accessible overview of contemporary international disaster management from both an institutional and a legal perspective. Part I examines the principal actors and coordination mechanisms shaping international disaster response, with particular attention to the evolution of the United Nations system and the European Union Civil Protection Mechanism, representing the most advanced regional model. Part II turns to the legal frameworks governing disaster management, distinguishing between post-disaster response and recovery measures on the one hand, and pre-disaster prevention and preparedness on the other.

Drawing on the latest empirical data and recent normative developments, including the Sendai Framework and the International Law Commission's Draft Articles on the Protection of Persons in the Event of Disasters, the volume situates disaster law and

policy within broader debates on resilience and climate adaptation. This book is particularly valuable for scholars, students, practitioners, and policymakers seeking a structured understanding of the evolving institutional landscape and legal architecture of disaster management at both global and regional levels.

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