

EAC holds disaster risk meeting

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THE East African Community, in partnership with the African Union Commission and the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction has hosted the sixth Africa Working Group on Disaster Risk Reduction in Arusha.

The meeting addressed the frequency and intensity of climatic disasters on the rise as a result of climate variability and change," said Mr. Moses Marwa, the Acting Director Productive Sectors, who represented the Deputy Secretary General, Productive and Social Sectors. "Other underlying factors included poverty, low awareness on disaster risks and weak and uncoordinated policy measures and limited capacities in disaster preparedness" he said.

Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) discussed included all the policies, strategies and measures that can make people, cities and countries more resilient to hazards and reduce risk and vulnerability to disasters.