



Einladung zum Vortrag von
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*Risk Governance: Coping with
Complexity and Uncertainty*

*A perspective on major governance functions
for natural hazards and technological risks*

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In Zusammenarbeit mit PROGRESS

The notion “risk governance” refers to an integrated concept on how to deal with so-called complex, ambiguous and uncertain impacts of events or activities. Risk governance research has been informed by interdisciplinary research drawing from sociological and psychological research on behavior under uncertainty, Science & Technology Studies (STS) and research by policy scientists and legal scholars about regulatory styles, institutional regimes and structural impediments to more inclusiveness. The notion of governance pertains to the many ways in which all relevant actors, individuals and institutions, public and private, deal with interventions that impact the environment and its service to human societies. It includes formal institutions and regimes and informal arrangements.

The lecture will introduce the major governance functions in a multilevel political and social environment for natural hazards and technological risks. It will summarize the attempts to secure support for collective action, feeding in plural preferences and designing cooperative measures. It will conclude with some general lessons for future research and practical applications.