



# UN-SPIDER Knowledge Portal

## What does UN-SPIDER do?

UN-SPIDER ensures that all countries and international and regional organizations have access to and develop the capacity to use all types of space-based information to support the full disaster management cycle. UN-SPIDER is achieving this by being a gateway to space information for disaster management support; serving as a bridge to interlink the disaster management and space communities; and being a facilitator of capacity-building and institutional strengthening.

## What is the Knowledge Portal?

The Knowledge Portal is a web portal for information, communication and process support. It offers orientation and guidance and it provides updates on the latest UN-SPIDER activities. Information on SpaceAid and Technical Advisory Missions is issued, just as updates on current disasters.

## Who has access to the Portal?

The portal is open to the public and anyone involved in the fields of disaster management and/or satellite technology. You are cordially invited to visit [www.un-spider.org](http://www.un-spider.org) and register as a user.

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### DISASTER INFORMATION

Disaster	Region	Date
▶ Volcano	Vanuatu	26/11/2009
▶ Floods	Panama	26/11/2009
▶ Floods	Saudi Arabia	25/11/2009
▶ Drought	Ecuador	25/11/2009
▶ Epidemic	Mexico	25/11/2009
▶ Floods	Uruguay	23/11/2009

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### SPACE APPLICATION MATRIX (preview)

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### VISUAL GLOBE



### EVENTS CALENDAR

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

## What is the content of the Knowledge Portal?

The Knowledge Portal features -among others- the sections SpaceAid, Advisory Support, Knowledge Base and Network. They offer a combination of guides to space technology application, consulting activities, technical and institutional background information, and communication platforms for users and communities of practice.

The **Space Applications** section contains information on available space-based products and services, their application, sources, access options and procurement procedures. It covers the full disaster management cycle, all earth-directed space technology, and all types of major natural or man-made disasters.

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In the **Advisory Support** section, the visitor is given an overview on the UN-SPIDER Technical Advisory Support framework and respective missions that are being conducted by expert teams on specific request.

In the **Knowledge Base** you find guides on technologies, on disaster management, and on health support, offering background information on satellite technology and specific satellite missions, on policies and procedures concerning the management of different disaster types, and on the application of space technology in disaster medicine.

**Network** provides links to the UN-SPIDER Regional Support Offices and National Focal Points, as well as access to an extensive contact data base. A communication platform is offered to communities of practice that need a joint working space to communicate and share content among themselves or with an open community.

