



CCRIF SPC
The Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility

Introduction to Disaster Risk Financing and CCRIF Parametric Insurance

DAY 4

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An aerial satellite-style photograph of a large hurricane or tropical storm. The storm's eye is visible in the center, surrounded by a dense, swirling cloud structure. The surrounding ocean is dark blue with white-capped waves. The text "CCRIF SPC – The Caribbean's Disaster Risk Financing Mechanism" is overlaid in the lower-left quadrant in a bright cyan color. A solid magenta horizontal bar is located at the bottom of the image.

CCRIF SPC – The Caribbean's Disaster Risk Financing Mechanism



CCRIF SPC – The Caribbean’s Parametric Insurance Programme

- Prompted by Hurricane Ivan and request for assistance by Caribbean governments made to the World Bank
- CCRIF is the world's first multi-country multi-peril risk pool based on parametric catastrophe insurance for Caribbean and Central American governments.
- CCRIF operates as a not-for-profit organization and currently provides its products and services to 19 Caribbean governments and 3 Central American governments – and 2 electric utility companies.
- CCRIF represents a cost-effective way to pre-finance short-term liquidity to begin recovery efforts for an individual government after a catastrophic event, thereby filling the gap between immediate response aid and long-term redevelopment

CCRIF CEO,
Mr. Isaac
Anthony -
Sharing Some of
CCRIF's
Achievements



CCRIF Parametric Insurance Products, Payouts and Use of Payouts



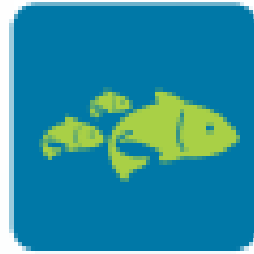
Tropical Cyclones



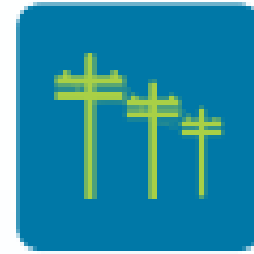
Earthquakes



Excess Rainfall



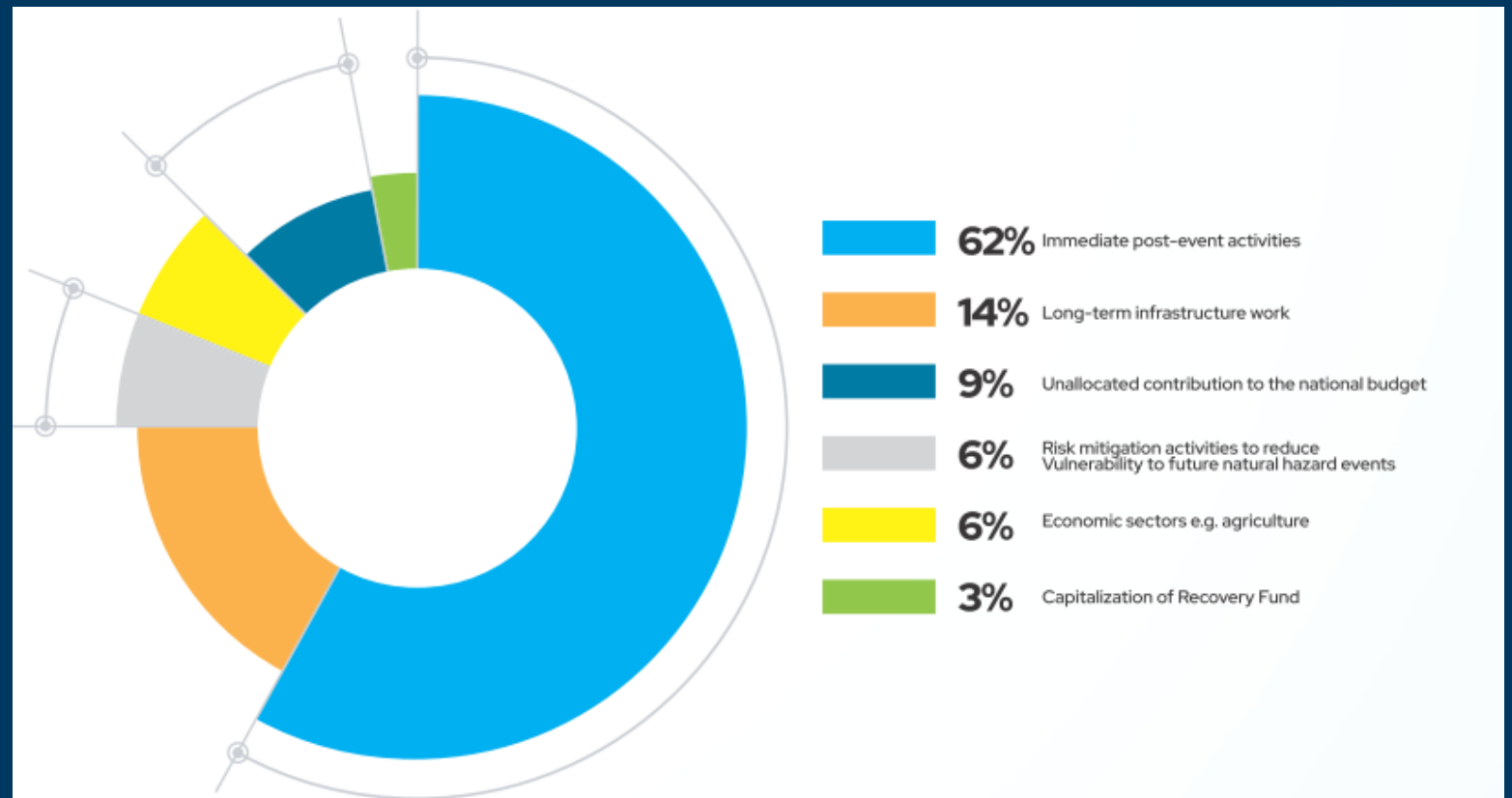
Fisheries



Electric Utilities

60 payouts totalling US\$261.8 million made to 16 member governments... within 14 days of the event

Approximately 3.5 million persons have benefitted from CCRIF payouts since 2007.





- A parametric insurance product providing quick payouts
- Supports the livelihoods of fishers and others in the fisheries industry
- Designed to support governments' efforts to rapidly put money into the hands of those impacted by extreme weather, providing them with **immediate** economic relief.
- Policy includes mechanism for disseminating payout to beneficiaries in the fisheries sector
- Promotes a culture of building back better to enhance coastal community resilience after an extreme weather event
- The insurance policy and payouts are based on full transparency and accountability



C|O|A|S|T

In force since July 1st, 2019

In Grenada and Saint Lucia

CCRIF Products, Current and in Development and the Perils Covered

| CCRIF Products | Perils | | | | | | | | | | | Add. Info |
|----------------------------------------|--------|------|------|-------|---------|-----------|------------|--------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------|
| | GS | Wind | Rain | Flood | Drought | Heat Wave | Land-slide | Vol Er | Tsunami wave | Storm surge | Wave Height | |
| Earthquake | ◆ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tropical cyclone | | ◆ | | | | | | | | ◆ | | |
| Excess Rainfall | | | ◆ | | | | | | | | | |
| Products under Development | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Drought | | | | | ◆ | | | | | | | |
| Run-Off | | | | ◆ | | | | | | | | |
| Eco Sectors Covered | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Electric Utilities | | ◆ | | | | | | | | ◆ | | |
| Fisheries | | ◆ | ◆ | | | | | | | ◆ | ◆ | |
| LPP (microins) | | ◆ | ◆ | | | | | | | | | Adaptive Social Protection |
| Eco Sectors under Consideration | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Agriculture | | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | | | | | ◆ | | Including Livestock |
| Tourism | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | | | | | | | ◆ | | |
| Gov. Buildings and other Infra | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | | | | | | ◆ | | Schools, hospitals, offices, PS, houses |
| Housing Stock | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | | | ◆ | | | ◆ | | |

Also water utilities

Reminder: How CCRIF Parametric Insurance Policies Work

Parametric insurance disburses funds based on the occurrence of a pre-defined level of hazard and impact

Policy triggered on the basis of exceeding a pre-established trigger event loss

Estimated based on wind speed and storm surge (tropical cyclones) or ground shaking (earthquakes) or volume of rainfall (excess rainfall)

Hazard levels applied to pre-defined government exposure to produce a loss estimate

Payout amounts increase with the level of modelled loss, up to a pre-defined coverage limit

CCRIF makes payouts within 14 days after an event.

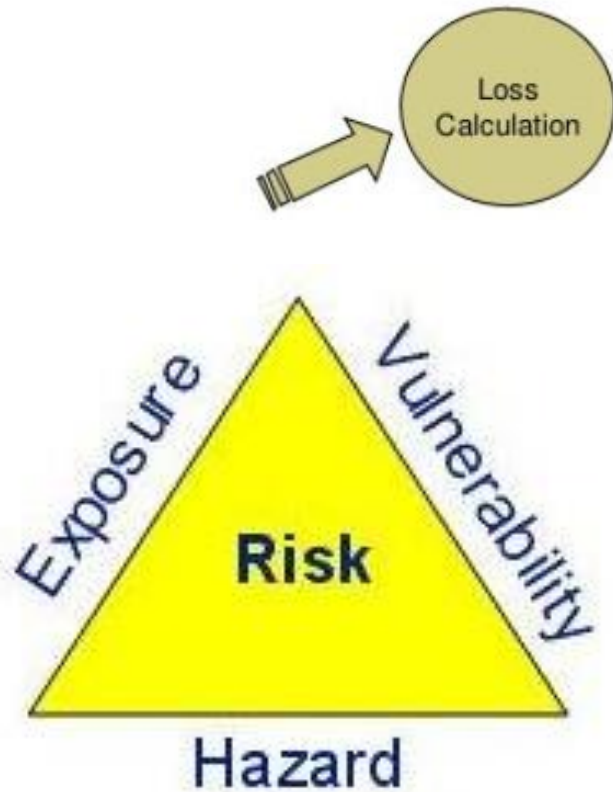
Catastrophe (Cat) Modelling

Catastrophe (Cat) modelling uses computer-assisted calculations to estimate the losses that could be sustained due to a catastrophic event

Catastrophe modeling allows insurers and reinsurers, financial institutions, corporations, and public agencies to evaluate and manage natural catastrophe risk.

A combination of science, technology, engineering knowledge, and statistical data is used to simulate the impacts of natural and man-made perils in terms of damage and loss.

CCRIF's parametric insurance policies are based on a loss modelling approach.



Risk

Risk is a function of three components—hazard, exposure, and vulnerability.

- **Hazard:** the likelihood and intensity of a potentially destructive natural phenomenon, such as ground shaking induced by an earthquake, wind speed associated with a tropical cyclone or rainfall volume for a rainfall event.
- **Exposure:** the location, attributes and value of assets that are important to the various communities, such as people, buildings, factories, farmland and infrastructure that are exposed to the hazard.
- **Vulnerability:** the reaction of the assets when exposed to the forces produced by a hazard event. For example, a building's vulnerability to an earthquake increases with the intensity of ground shaking and decreases with improved conformity to seismic design standards.

Cat modelling uses these elements of risk to calculate losses due to a hazard event



*The 2018 Earthquake in
Trinidad & Tobago*

EVENT IMPACTS

▶ The 2-minute, 6.9 earthquake on August 21st led to:

▶ Property Damage

- ▶ One Woodbrook Place and the San Fernando Hospital were among those to suffer damage – but no buildings fell. Cars, homes and farmlands were also affected.

▶ Panic

- ▶ Persons went into a state of panic as it was the worst earthquake in decades.

▶ Loss of power & telecommunications

- ▶ The Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC) confirmed that areas in POS and east Trinidad experienced outages.

▶ No injuries, casualties, or loss of life



Why did T&T not face more damage?

When comparing this event to an event of a similar magnitude, we see major differences.

HAITI



2010
7.0 MAGNITUDE
35 SECONDS

70% HOMES
DESTROYED

300,000 DEATHS
[figures are a
matter of some
dispute]

T&T



2018
6.9 MAGNITUDE
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What caused these differences?

For more information see:

<https://www.uwi.edu/ekacdm/node/172>

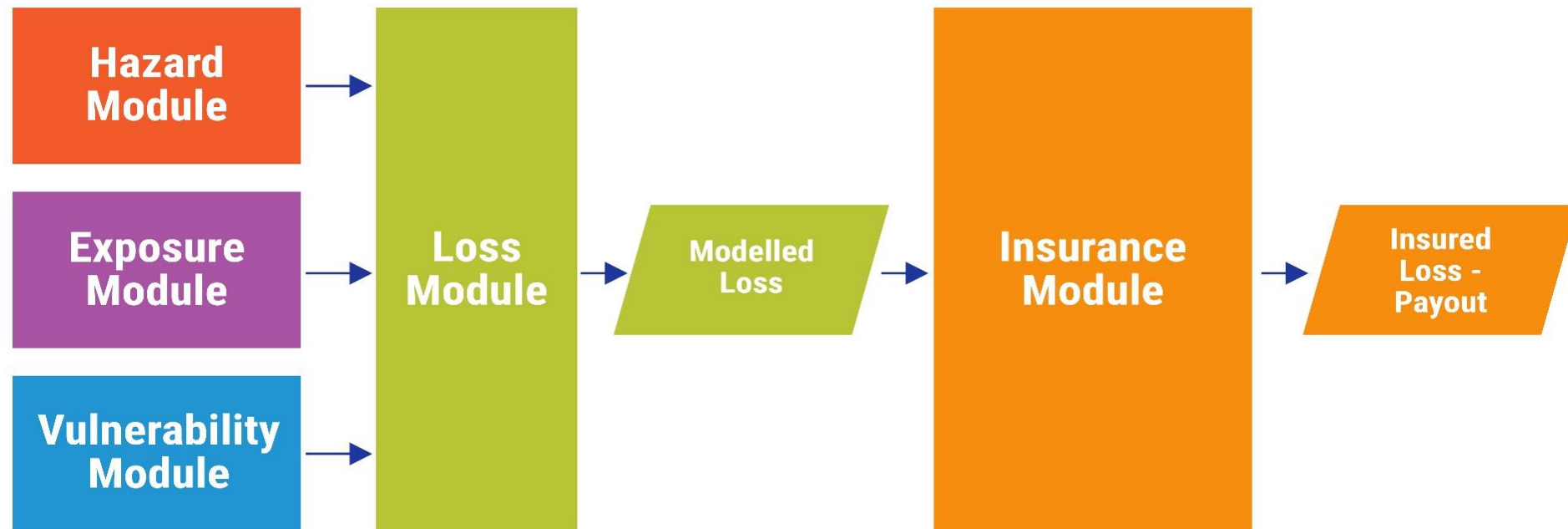
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CCRIF's Parametric Model Construct

CCRIF's parametric policies are based on a loss modelling approach. The objective of the loss modelling approach is to equip CCRIF with the capacity to estimate loss probabilities for individual countries, price contracts for specific countries, and estimate site-specific hazard levels and losses for specific events during the contract period.



CCRIF's Parametric Models – The Modules

Hazard

- Defines the expected frequency and severity of a hazard event at a specific location / computes real-time hazard parameters
- Based on a database of historical and simulated events
- EQ: 1520-2022
TC: 1850-2022
XSR: 1998-2022

Exposure

- Provides a comprehensive and spatially-distributed list of vulnerable assets e.g. buildings, airports/ports, power facilities, road networks, crops

Vulnerability

- Assesses the vulnerability of the assets in the exposure module to the hazards defined in the hazard module

Loss

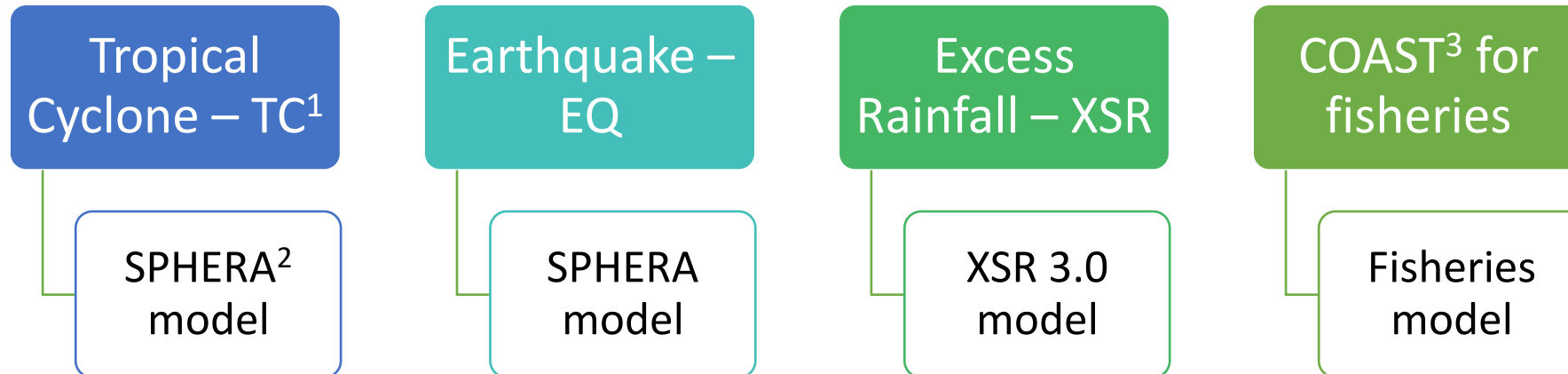
- Uses the Hazard, Exposure and Vulnerability modules to calculate a modelled loss for a current hazard event

Insurance

- Applies the modelled losses to the conditions of the country's CCRIF policy to determine if the policy is triggered and computes the payout to the country.

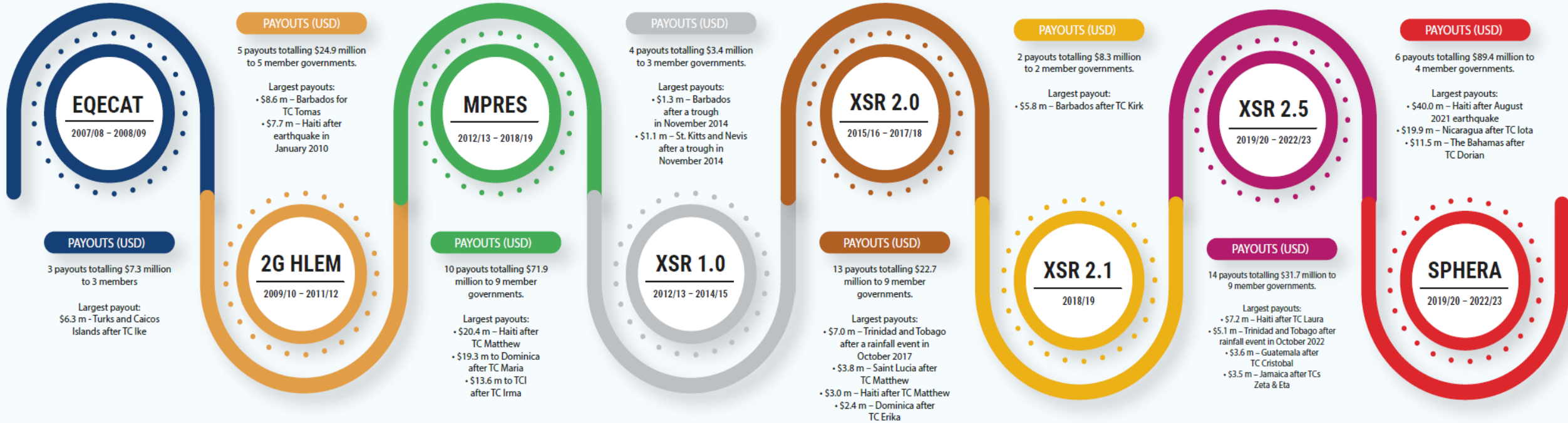


CCRIF's Parametric Products and Models



1. Used in Electric Utilities and COAST products also
2. System for Probabilistic Hazard Evaluation and Risk Assessment
3. Caribbean Oceans and Aquaculture Sustainability Facility

The Evolution of CCRIF's Parametric Insurance Models: The Journey from EQECAT to SPHERA and Beyond



Moving Forward - 2023/24 and Beyond



CCRIF Models – Definitions: TC

A Tropical Cyclone event:

A tropical cyclone in the geographical domain which affects at least one CCRIF member country with wind speed > 39 mph (62.7 km/h): a tropical storm or a hurricane – not tropical depression

This applies to the following policies:

- Tropical Cyclone
- COAST
- Electric Utilities

Geographical Domain:
Caribbean and Central America



CCRIF Models – Definitions: EQ

An Earthquake event:

An earthquake with a magnitude greater than or equal to 5.0 that occurs inside the geographical domain, which generates a peak ground acceleration of at least 0.01g in at least one CCRIF member country

Peak ground acceleration measures the intensity of the earthquake and is defined as the maximum ground acceleration that occurred during an earthquake

Geographical Domain: Caribbean and Central America



CCRIF Models – Definitions: XSR

An Excess Rainfall event – a Covered Area Rainfall Event (CARE):

A CARE is any rainfall event in which the amount of daily average rainfall, which fell during an accumulation period (12 or 48 hours in Caribbean countries; 24 or 72 hours in Central American countries) is greater than a specified rainfall threshold over at least a specified percentage of the area of a CCRIF member country.

A CARE is composed of a number of consecutive days that meet the conditions listed above, which may include a tolerance period (1 day for Caribbean, 2 days for Central America) in which the rainfall may fall below the thresholds.

The values of the accumulation period's rainfall threshold and covered area percentage are country-specific and were optimized to increase the likelihood that severe XSR events are captured by the model and moderate events are not falsely detected.

A CARE may occur during a tropical cyclone or a non-cyclonic system at any time of year.

CCRIF Models – Definitions: COAST

The fisheries model for COAST policies covers events that fall within the Adverse Weather Component and/or the Tropical Cyclone component.

Adverse Weather Component – a qualifying event:

The occurrence of maximum daily rainfall measured in a 24-hour moving window over any of the exposed assets in a CCRIF member country above a pre-defined threshold, or of a maximum daily significant wave height close to any of the exposed assets above a pre-defined threshold

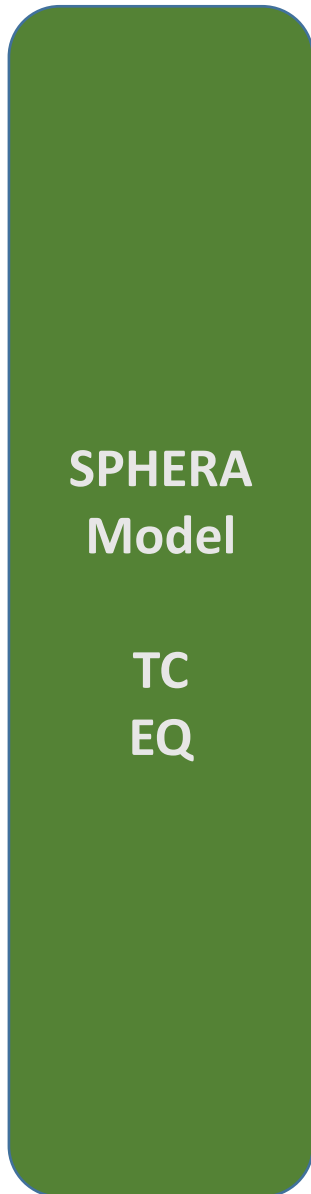
These conditions must occur for at least three consecutive days to be a COAST adverse weather event.

Tropical Cyclone Component – a qualifying event:

Any tropical cyclone affecting at least one member country with winds greater than 39 mph (62.7 km/h) (same as TC policy)

CCRIF Models and Event Reports

- CCRIF monitors and reports on tropical cyclone (TC), earthquake (EQ), Excess Rainfall (XSR) events as well as “COAST events” and “electric utilities events” in the Caribbean Basin that have the potential to affect one or more of its member countries that have the corresponding policies.
- CCRIF reports on all hazard events that meet the definition of a qualifying event (for TC, EQ, XSR, COAST or Electric Utilities) as defined in the previous slides. These events are publicly available on the CCRIF website at: <https://www.ccrif.org/content/publications/reports/others>
- Note that one tropical cyclone event can generate, a tropical cyclone excess rainfall, COAST and/or Electric Utilities report for the same affected country/ies if the relevant definition is met.



SPHERA
Model

TC
EQ

Hazard

- **Tropical Cyclone:** Tropical cyclone data from NOAA within geographic region (wind and storm surge)
- **Earthquake:** Earthquake data from USGS (peak ground acceleration)

Exposure

Buildings, airports/ports, power facilities, road network, crops

- Location
- Economic value (replacement cost/estimated income)
- Physical attributes (materials, dimensions)

Vulnerability

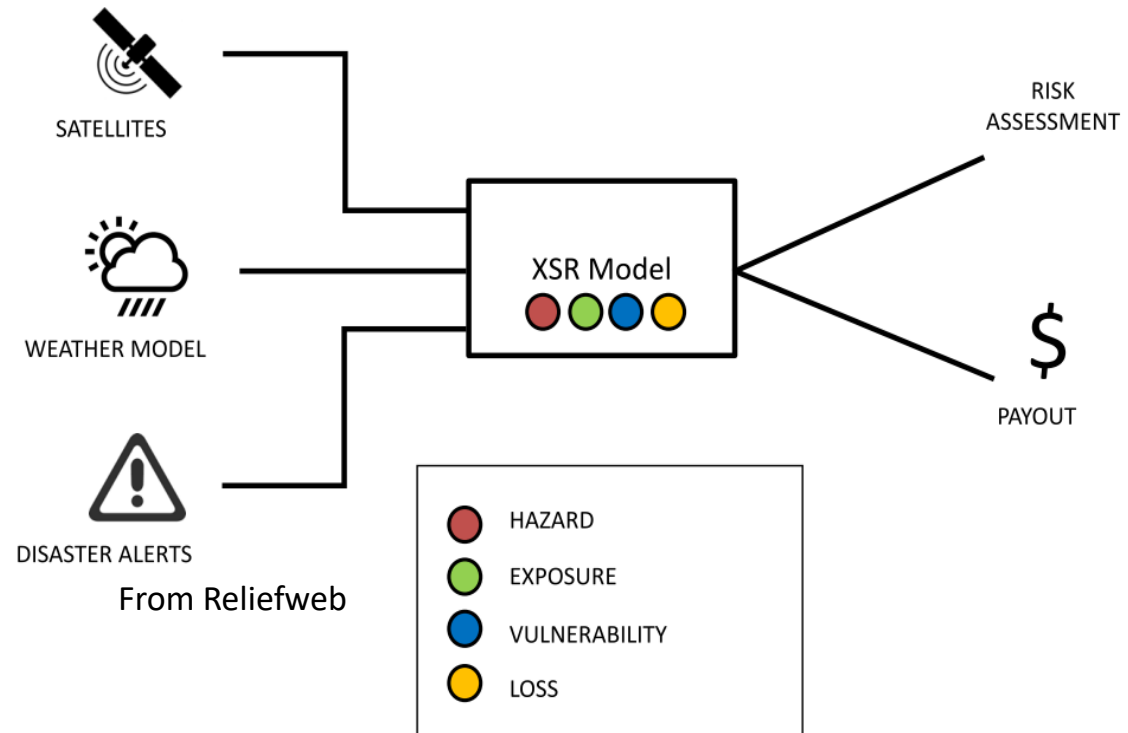
- **Tropical Cyclone:** Relates wind/storm surge intensities to infrastructure damage ratios
- **Earthquake:** Relates ground shaking values to infrastructure damage ratios

XSR 3.0 Model

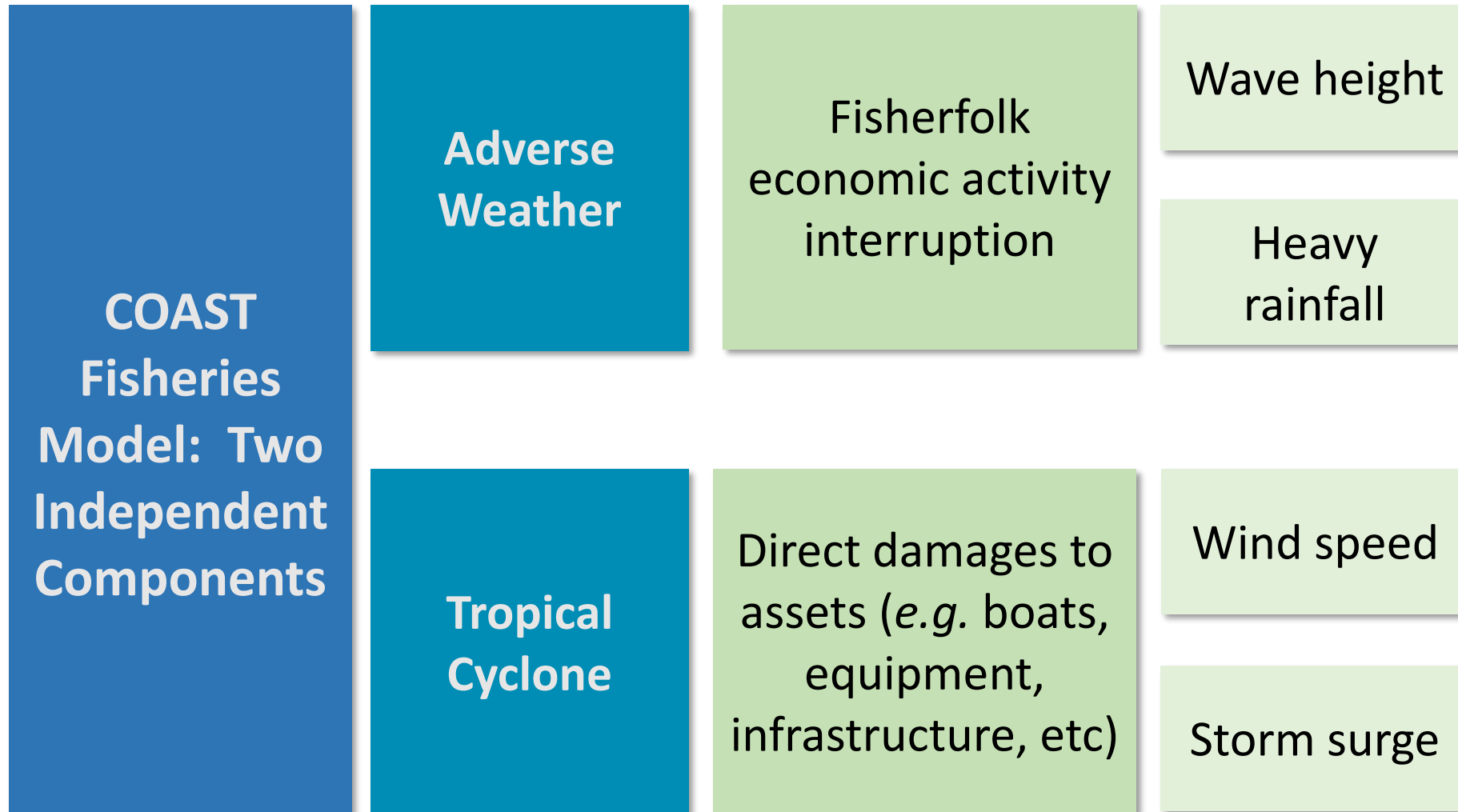
CMORPH: developed by NOAA Climate Prediction Center. It is low-orbiter satellite-based precipitation model which captures more precisely the *spatial and temporal location* of the rainfall caused by the event.

IMERG: Improved satellite rainfall product developed by NASA. Complements CMORPH

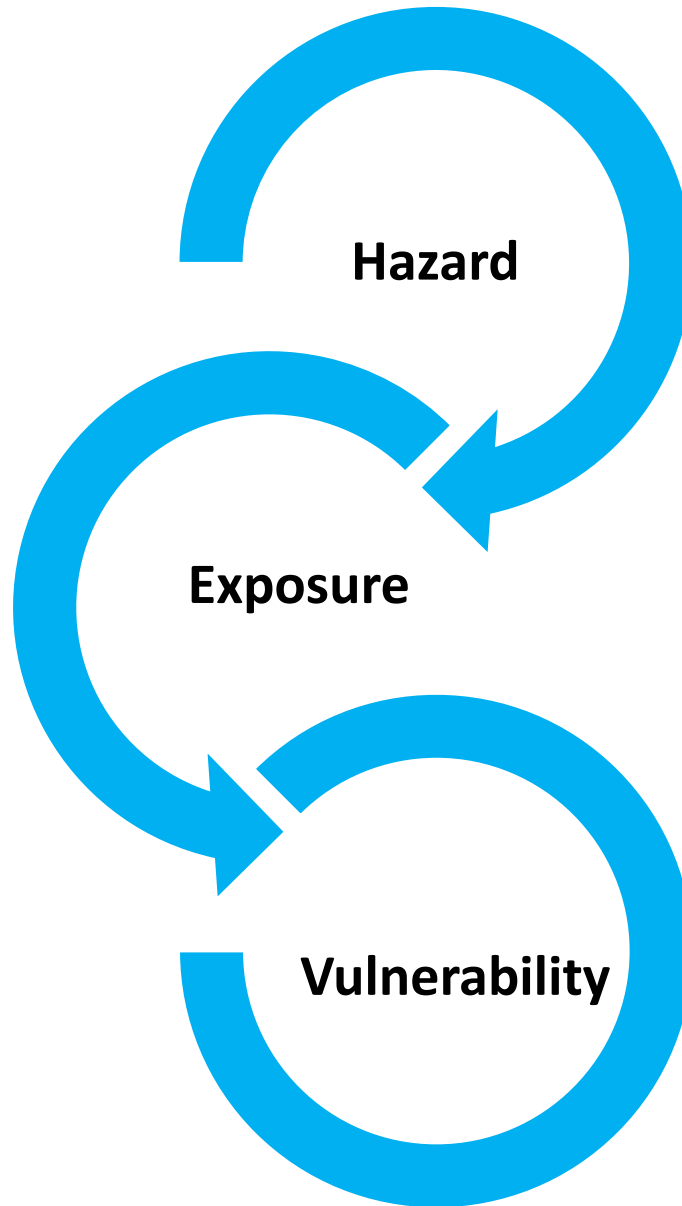
WRF: Weather forecasting models developed by the US National and Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), which computes the amount of rainfall based on climate conditions. This weather forecast model reproduces the *intensity* of the rainfall event.



Fisheries Model for COAST



COAST Fisheries Model



Hazard

- **Adverse Weather Component:** Wave height and strong rainfall (for at least 3 consecutive days)
- **Tropical Cyclone Component:** Wind speed and storm surge

Exposure

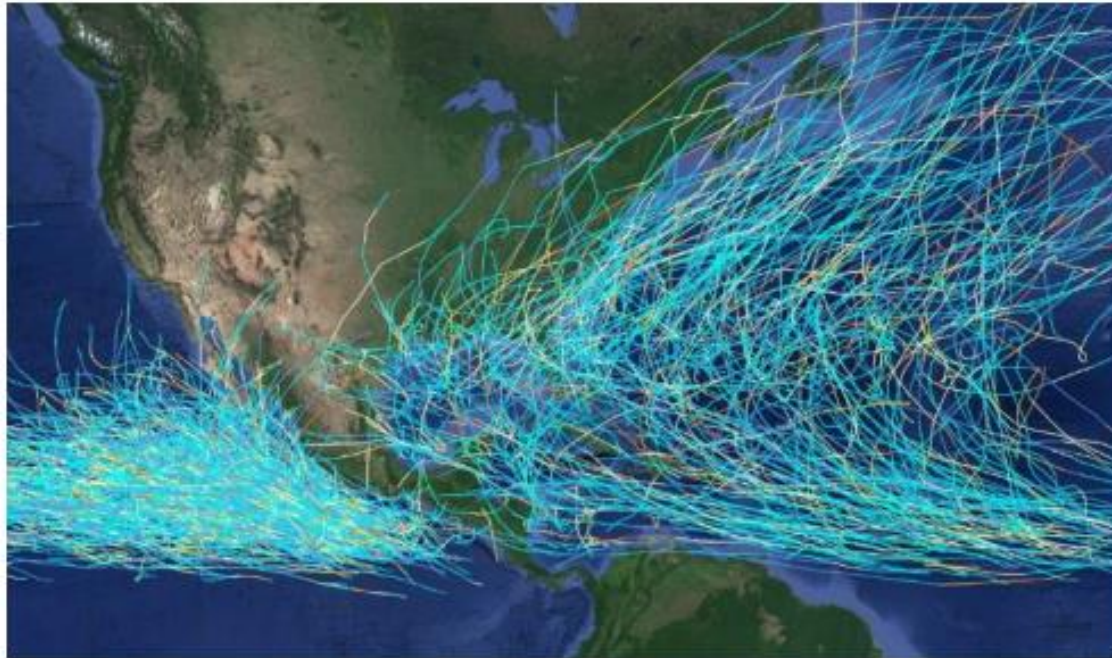
Comprises infrastructure, boats and fisherfolk characteristics such as:

- Location
- Economic value (replacement cost/estimated income)
- Physical attributes (materials, dimensions)

Vulnerability

- **Adverse Weather Component:** relates rainfall depth or wave height levels to daily lost revenues
- **Tropical Cyclone Component:** Relates wind/storm surge intensities to infrastructure damage ratios (%)

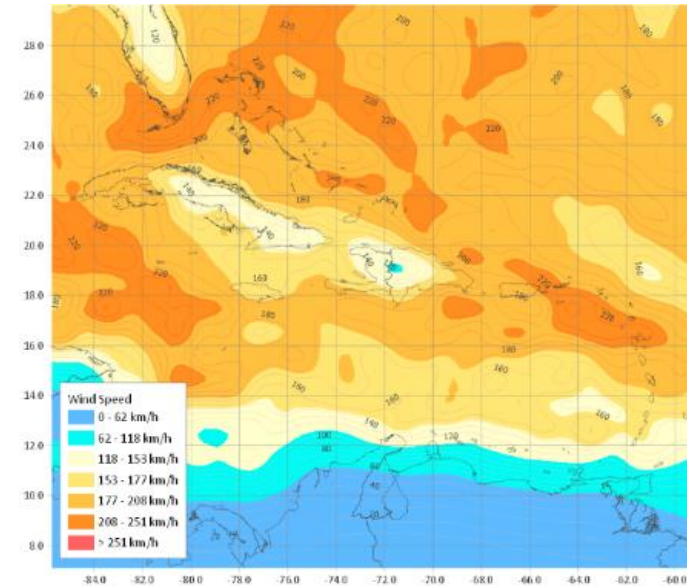
Hazard Module - TC



Track of tropical cyclones for the Caribbean Sea and Eastern North Pacific from 1998 to 2017, information from the HURDAT2 database

Stochastic catalogue: very large number of theoretical events for risk assessment

The statistical properties of the stochastic cyclones are the same as the observed hurricanes (path, pressure variation, wind velocity, etc.)

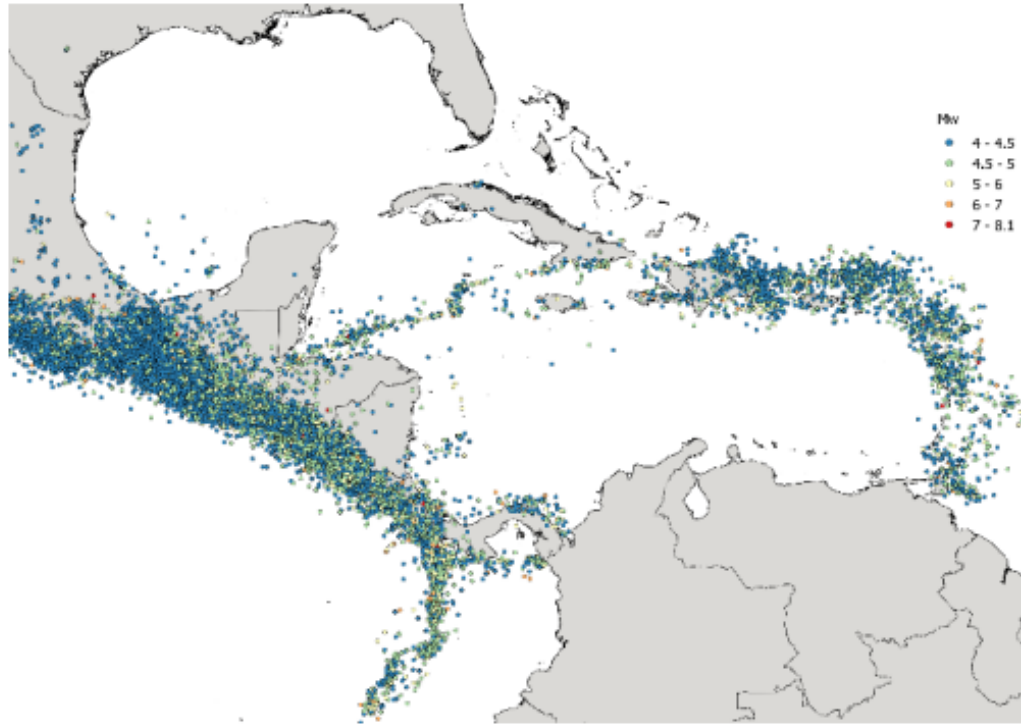


Wind speed

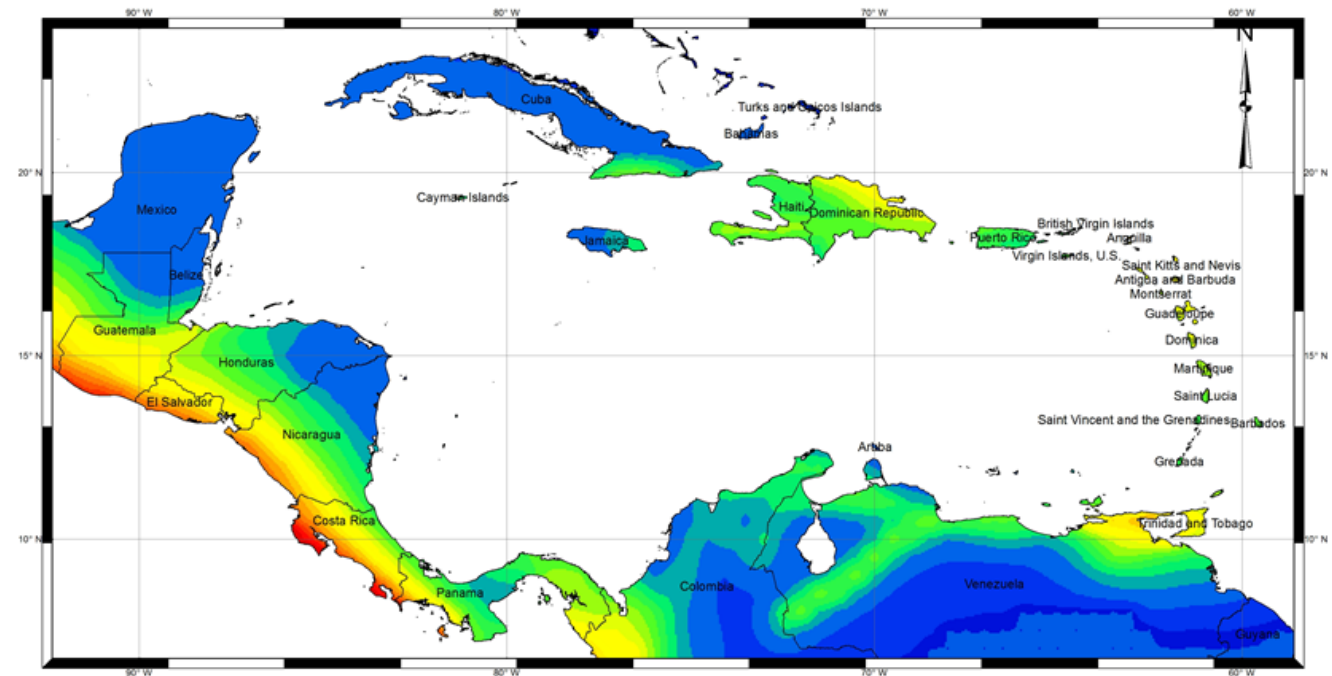


Storm surge

Hazard Module - EQ



Geographic distribution of earthquakes that occurred in Central America and the Caribbean since 1520

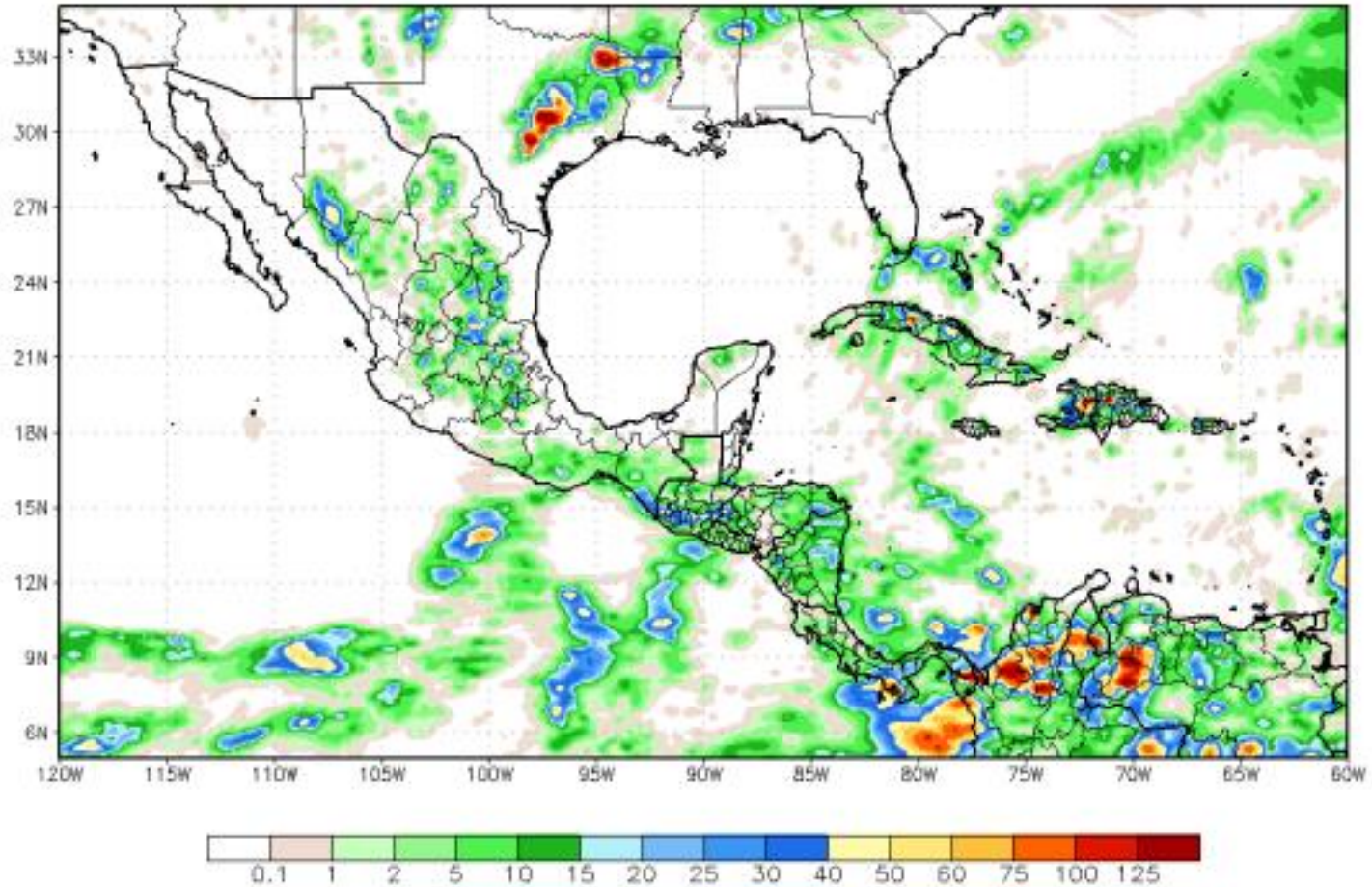


Final hazard model (pga – 475 years on soil – g)

Generation of a **stochastic event-set** statistically consistent with the historical seismicity in the region – 616,000 events

Hazard Module - XSR

Satellite Estimated Precipitation (mm) June 09 2010
Climate Prediction Center 8km CMORPH 00Z

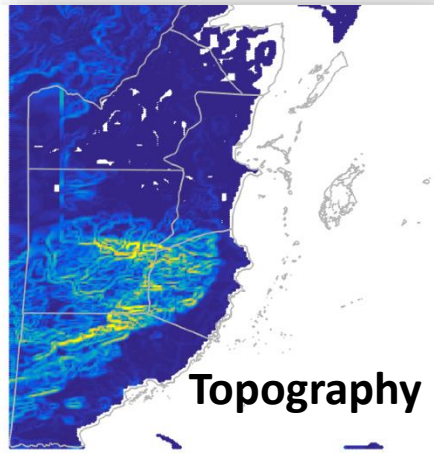
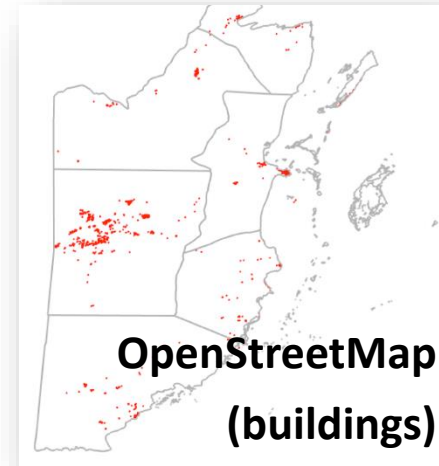
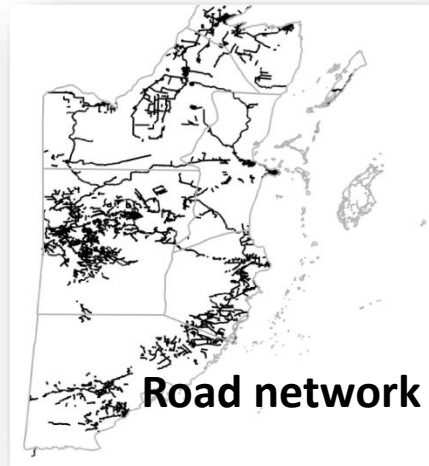
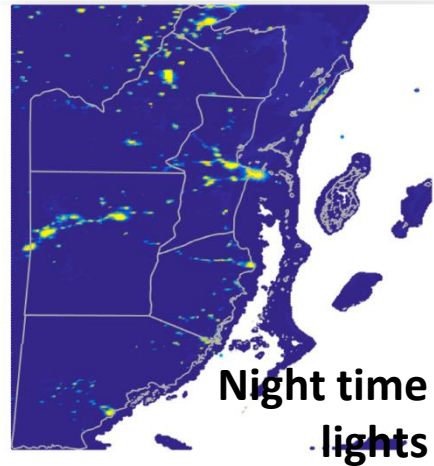


Exposure Database

- The SPHERA/XSR Exposure Database is built and validated on **country level census data**, technical documentation, international peer-reviewed literature, publicly available reports and databases, and satellite images



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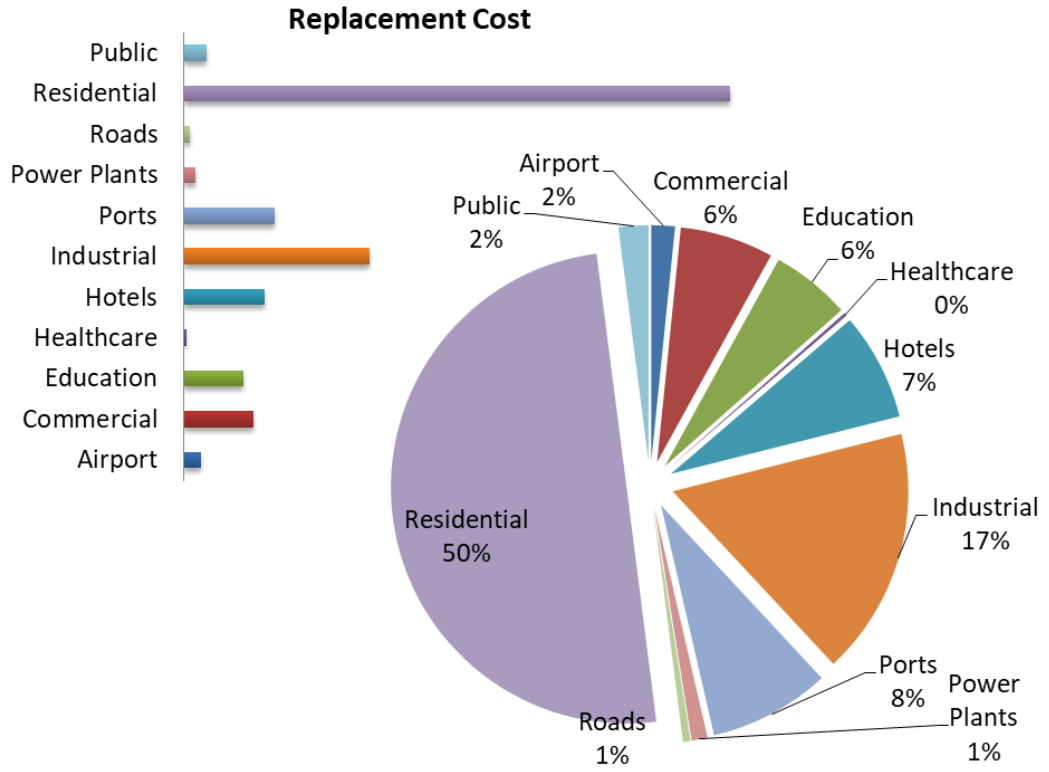
Exposure Module

Using remotely sensed data and economic statistics from various sources, valuation estimates of the country's exposure are determined.

Categories included:

- Residential buildings
- Commercial buildings
- Public Buildings
- Industrial facilities
- Hotels and restaurants
- Healthcare infrastructure
- Energy Facilities
- Education infrastructure
- Airports and ports
- Transportation (roads) network
- Crops

- Crops:
- 6 different crops (banana, maize, coffee, rice, sugar cane, and generic)



Exposure for Electric Utilities

Only overhead transmission and distribution lines



Transmission lines

(high voltage transmission lines, poles and towers, and transformers)



Distribution lines

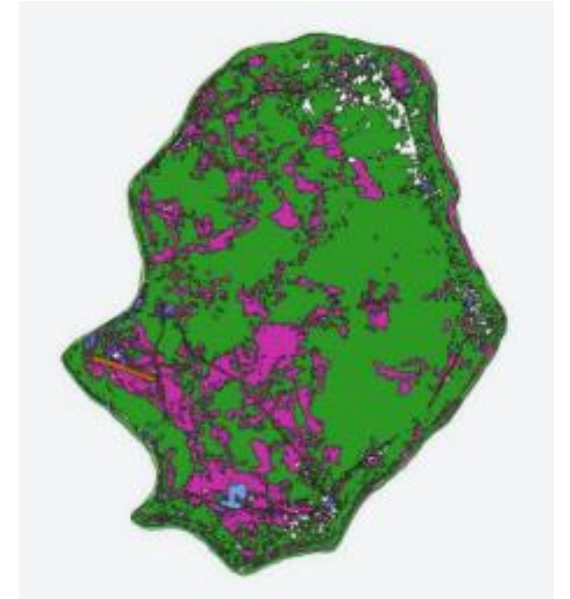
(medium/low voltage distribution wires, poles and transformers)

Characteristics:

- geographical location
- damage-related features (e.g., the material, age, height etc.)

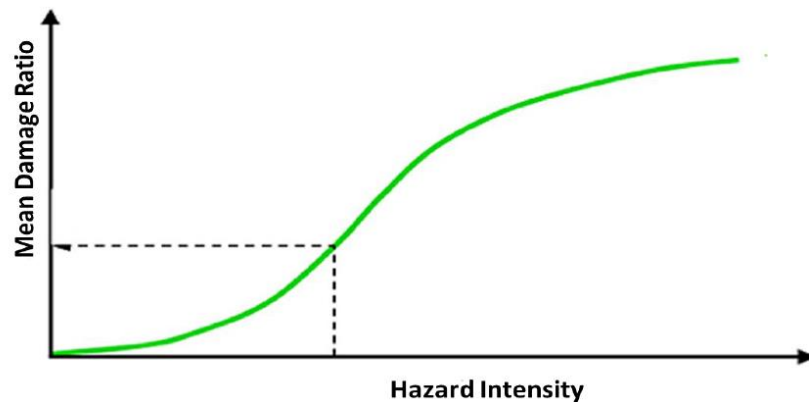
The presence of trees around the poles and wires can significantly impact the behaviour of the T&D lines during a storm. Trees may affect lines and bring down poles, even if the poles can potentially withstand the wind speed that caused the trees to collapse.

Land use maps are used to identify and incorporate the potential impacts of forest/woodland areas



Vulnerability Module

- Susceptibility of an asset (building, infrastructure, crop) to be damaged by a hazard
- Usually expressed through damage curves



- Mean damage ratio (MDR): repair cost divided by replacement cost of the structure

Damage functions assess the structural behaviour and fragility of the assets in the exposure

TC: Two damage mechanisms, hence two sets of damage functions:

Wind damage functions

Storm surge damage functions

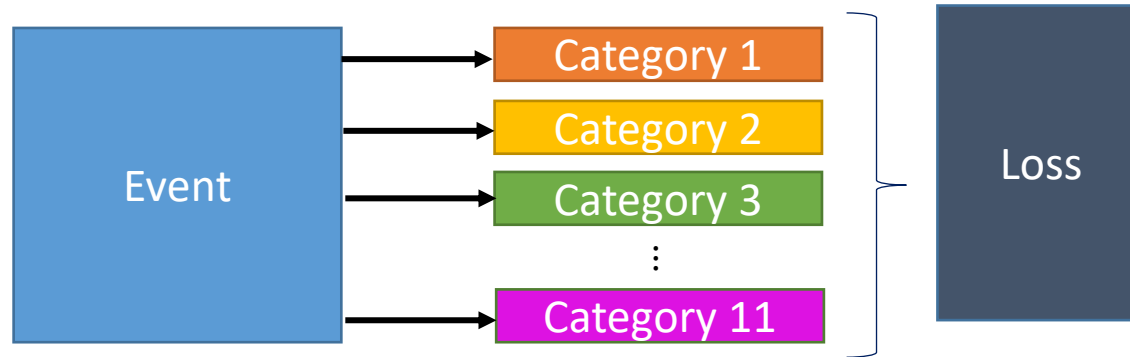
EQ: damage based on ground shaking

XSR: rainfall amount

Based on literature review of existing fragility and vulnerability functions

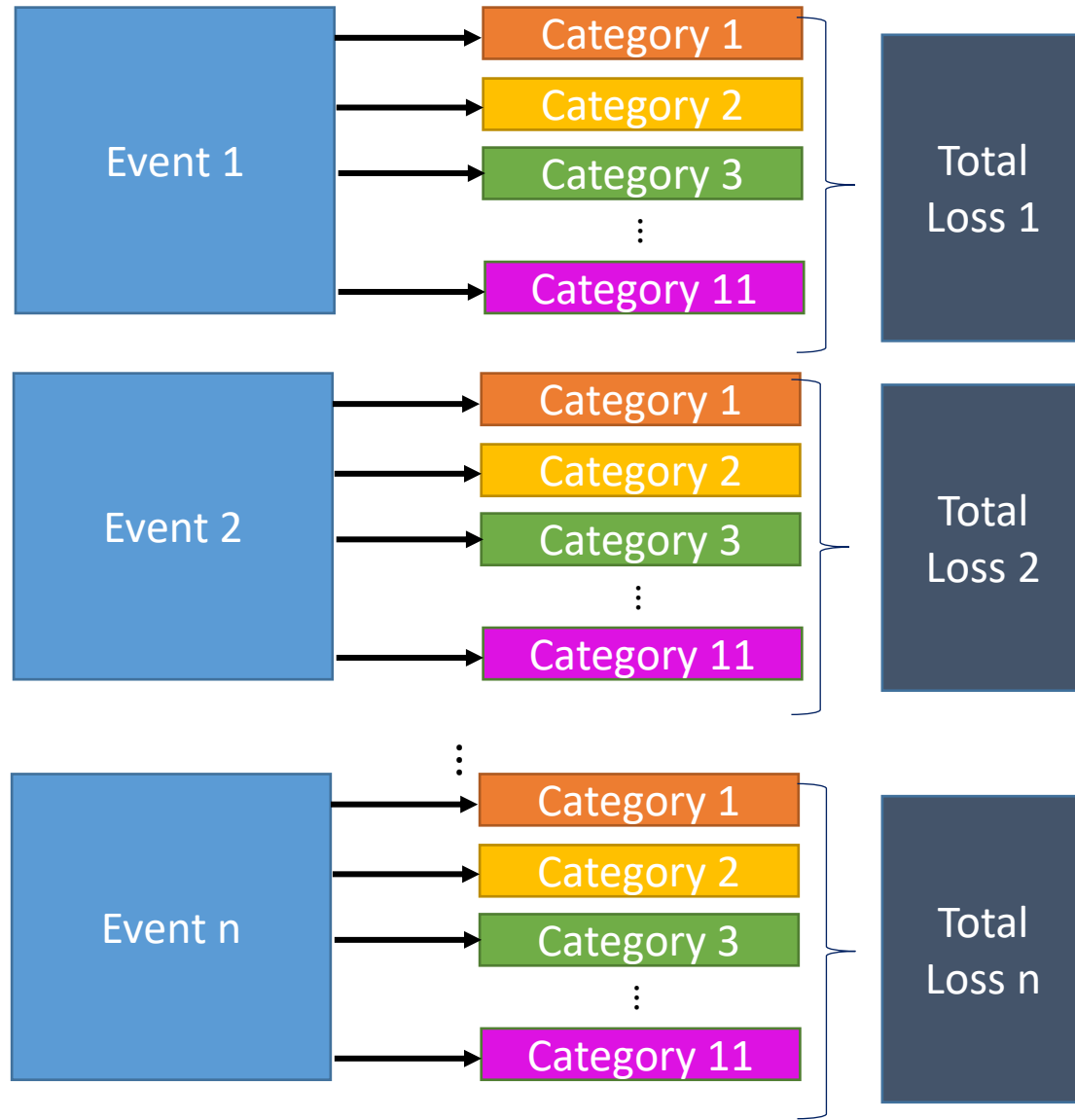
Loss Module

$$L_i = V_i(H_i) \times E_i$$



The loss module translates the damage ratio derived in the vulnerability module into a dollar loss by multiplying it by the value at risk for each asset class across the country.

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Losses are then aggregated at the level governed by the policy (national or sub-national).

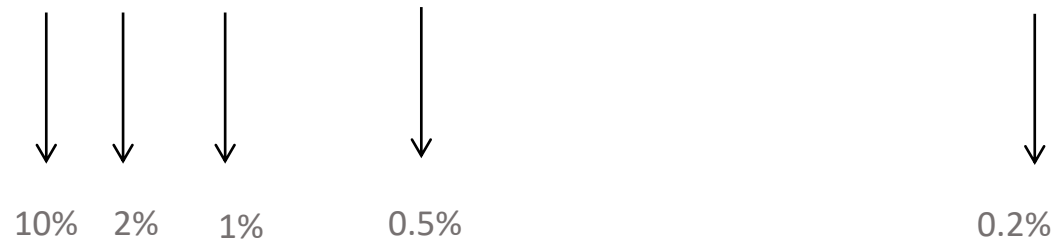
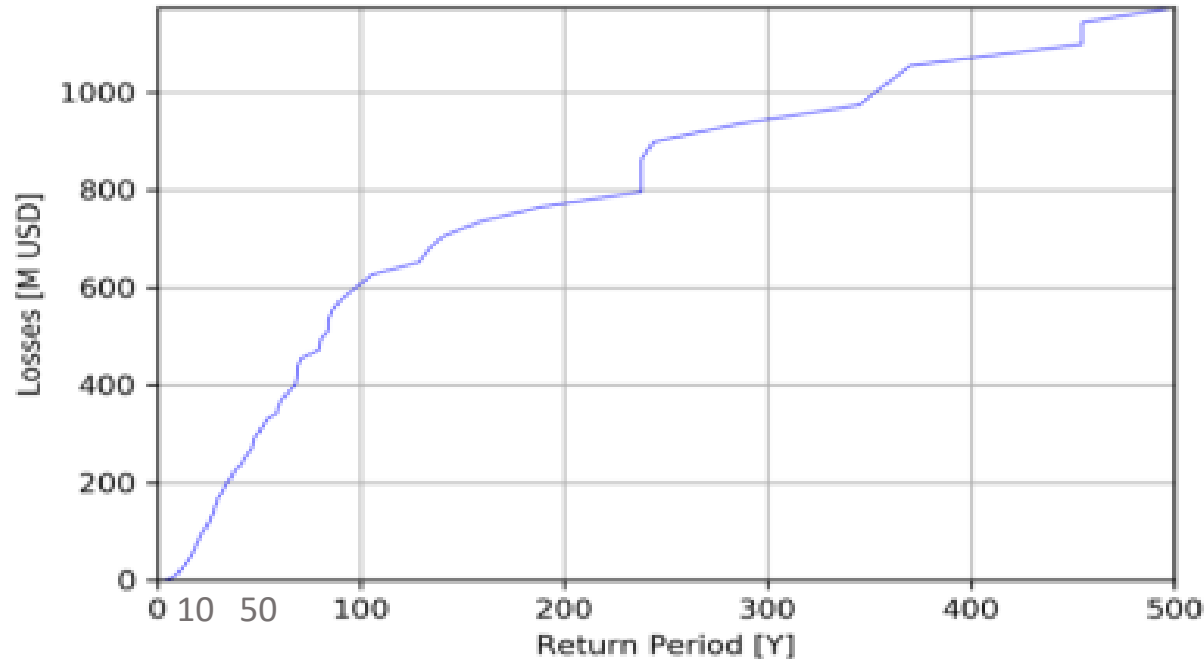
Loss assessment

| Event | Loss | |
|-------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Loss ₁ | Annual Probability of Exceedance of "Loss A" = $\frac{\text{Number of times Loss A has been exceeded}}{\text{Number of Years}}$ |
| 2 | Loss ₂ | |
| 3 | Loss ₃ | Return period of "Loss A" = $\frac{\text{Number of Years}}{\text{Number of times Loss A has been exceeded}}$ |
| ⋮ | ⋮ | |
| n | Loss _n | |

Loss probability curves are generated from the results in the long-term loss event set.

Loss assessment

Loss probability curve for a sample country



$$\text{Annual Probability of exceedance} = \frac{1}{\text{Return Period}}$$



Insurance Module

The insurance module compares the modelled losses from the event to the conditions of the member's policy to determine if the policy is triggered and calculates the value of the payout.

A CCRIF policy is triggered when the modelled loss for an event in a member exceeds the attachment point specified in the policy contract.

The payout increases as the level of losses increases, up to the policy coverage limit.

- TC: Based on storm's intensity, track and storm surge
- EQ: Based on source magnitude and hypocentre (location and depth) of the earthquake, which is translated into a ground shaking intensity
- XSR: Based on peak aggregate rainfall for the event, distribution of high rainfall relative to exposure and the proportion of the country/exposure impacted

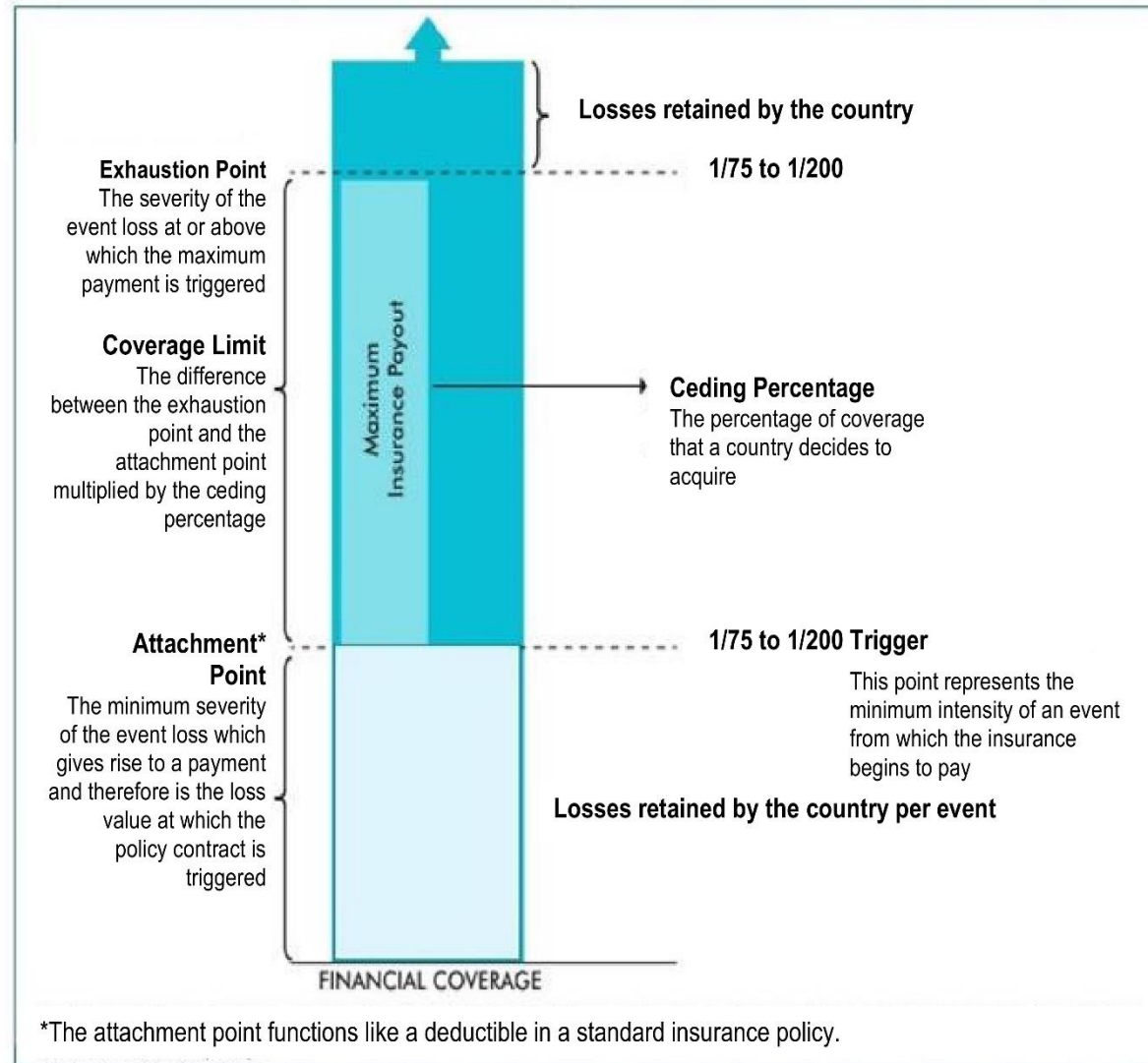


The claims verification, administration and payout process



- CCRIF uses **automated systems** which allows us to monitor every possible event that may trigger a payout under the terms and conditions of a country's policy. The system detects **earthquakes, tropical cyclones and rainfall** events.
- For XSR, there is a **minimum number of days** required to compute the accumulation of rain. Also, a rainfall event is not considered complete until the rainfall has fallen below a given threshold for **two consecutive days**.
- CCRIF issues an **event briefing** after an event has been completed if there has been a loss above a certain value across most of the country.
- If a country's policy is triggered by an event **CCRIF will automatically contact the Ministry of Finance** about the next steps required to receive payment.

Elements of CCRIF Policies



CCRIF policy premiums depend on the selection by Governments of 3 elements:

- Attachment Point
- Ceding Percentage
- Exhaustion Point

These are informed by the country's risk profiles

A CCRIF policy is triggered when the modelled loss for an event in a member country exceeds the attachment point specified in the country's policy contract.