

INAUGURAL LECTURE PROF. DR. MARC VAN DEN HOMBERG THE PRINCESS MARGRIET CHAIR "DATA FOR DISASTER RESILIENCE"

The Rector Magnificus announces that Marc van den Homberg, appointed by the Executive Board of the University of Twente as Professor of Data for Disaster Resilience at the Faculty of Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation (ITC), will give his inaugural lecture in the Waaier building on Friday 29 November 2024 at 16:00 to mark the occasion of his appointment. The lecture will cover the chair's three research areas of the strategic collaboration between ITC and the Netherlands Red Cross: Improving the quality of risk and impact data, Trigger models for anticipatory action (preparedness), and Selecting, monitoring, and building evidence for nature-based solutions (prevention).

The Rector Magnificus kindly invites you to attend this event. Before the inaugural lecture, **coffee and tea are served in the foyer of the Waaier building from 15:30**. After the lecture, there will be a reception where you may offer your congratulations.

WORKSHOP AND PANEL

You are also invited to a **workshop (10:30-13:30)** on the "Disastrous Information: Embedding 'do no harm' Principles" project, which explores how new technologies such as AI, satellite and drone imagery affect the core principles of humanitarian aid, considering regulatory and technical aspects. The workshop will be followed by an **interactive panel discussion (14:00-15:30)** on the role of data in anticipating and getting ahead of disasters while accelerating humanitarian action.

REGISTRATION

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