

BHRC LAUNCHES NEW HAZARD & RISK SCIENCE REVIEW

At this September's international convention of insurers, reinsurers, brokers and reinsurance consultants in Monte Carlo, the BHRC launched a new annual publication, the Hazard & Risk Science Review. Co-sponsored by reinsurance intermediary Benfield and reinsurer Partner Re., the review provides a digest for insurance professionals of new and pertinent hazard and risk science published in the preceding 12 months. New research is addressed under the headings of atmospheric hazards, geological hazards, hydrological hazards and climate change. Highlights of the 2004 issue included new predictive models for earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and landslides, improved capabilities for modelling typhoon and hurricane tracks, the launch of a new European Flood Forecasting System, and evidence for changes in current circulation patterns in the North Atlantic. Hard copies of HRSR2004 may be obtained by contacting Anna McGuire at BHRC (anna.mcguire@ucl.ac.uk). Copies may also be downloaded from the BHRC website at: www.benfieldhrc.org HRSR2005 will be launched in September next year, once again in Monte Carlo.