

Short Biography

Dennis S. Mileti is Professor Emeritus at the University of Colorado at Boulder where he served as Director of the Natural Hazards Center and as Chair of the Department of Sociology. Dr. Mileti is author of over 100 publications, primarily regarding the societal aspects of hazards and disasters. His book, Disasters by Design, summarized a national effort to assess knowledge and policy in the U.S. for hazards and disasters. Dr. Mileti is the Founder and Co-Editor-in-Chief of the journal, Natural Hazards Review.

Dr. Mileti has served on many advisory boards including Chairman of the Committee on Natural Disasters in the Natural Research Council, and Chair of the Board of Visitors to FEMA's Emergency Management Institute. He is currently:

- A member of the Department of Homeland Security's national Social Science Research Center on Terrorism,
- A California Seismic Safety Commissioner, and
- A member of the Independent Expert Panel overseeing the Army Corps of Engineer's assessment of the New Orleans levee failures and consequences.