

Virtual Earthquake Reconnaissance Team (VERT)

Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI)
Younger Members Committee (YMC)





EERI Learning from Earthquakes (LFE) Committee

Experts in earthquake reconnaissance

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Early-career academics, professionals, graduate students

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What is VERT?

Team of EERI Members that assist EERI <u>virtually</u> after an earthquake

Blogging/curating EERI Clearinghouse

Interfacing with on-site EERI members

Assisting EERI Learning from Earthquake team prepare for deployment

Assisting reconnaissance team members post-process data

Participating in potential research projects



What has VERT done so far?

<u>Nepal</u> (2015)

- ✓ Virtual earthquake clearinghouse blogging
- ✓ Post-processing photos and data from field Ecuador (2016)
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- ✓ Post-processing photos and data from field
- ✓ Assisting Exponent in mini-research project Taiwan (2016)
- ✓ Virtual earthquake clearinghouse blogging
- ✓ Post-processing photos and data from field Italy (2016 & 2017)
- ✓ Virtual earthquake clearinghouse blogging <u>Mexico</u> (Puebla-Morelos & Chiapas) (2017)
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Topics:

Hospitals
Schools
Infrastructure
Geotechnical issues
Seismicity
Emergency Response
... and more!



FAQs

Q: What if I cannot be available after every earthquake?

A: If you are interested, we keep you on the distribution list until you tell us to take you off. You can chose to participate in VERT after every earthquake or only after ones when you have time



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Q: I know nothing about HTML formatting and making a website. Can I still participate?

A: Sure thing! We email out directions on how to blog/curate the website each time.



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Q: It seems like a lot of work to curate all of the information on one topic! What is the time commitment?

A: Typically we have 2-3 people per topic. You will work with other individuals around the world that are also interested. We usually ask for a commitment of an hour/day during the first week and then 2-3 hours/week after that.



Sound awesome? Want to get involved?

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