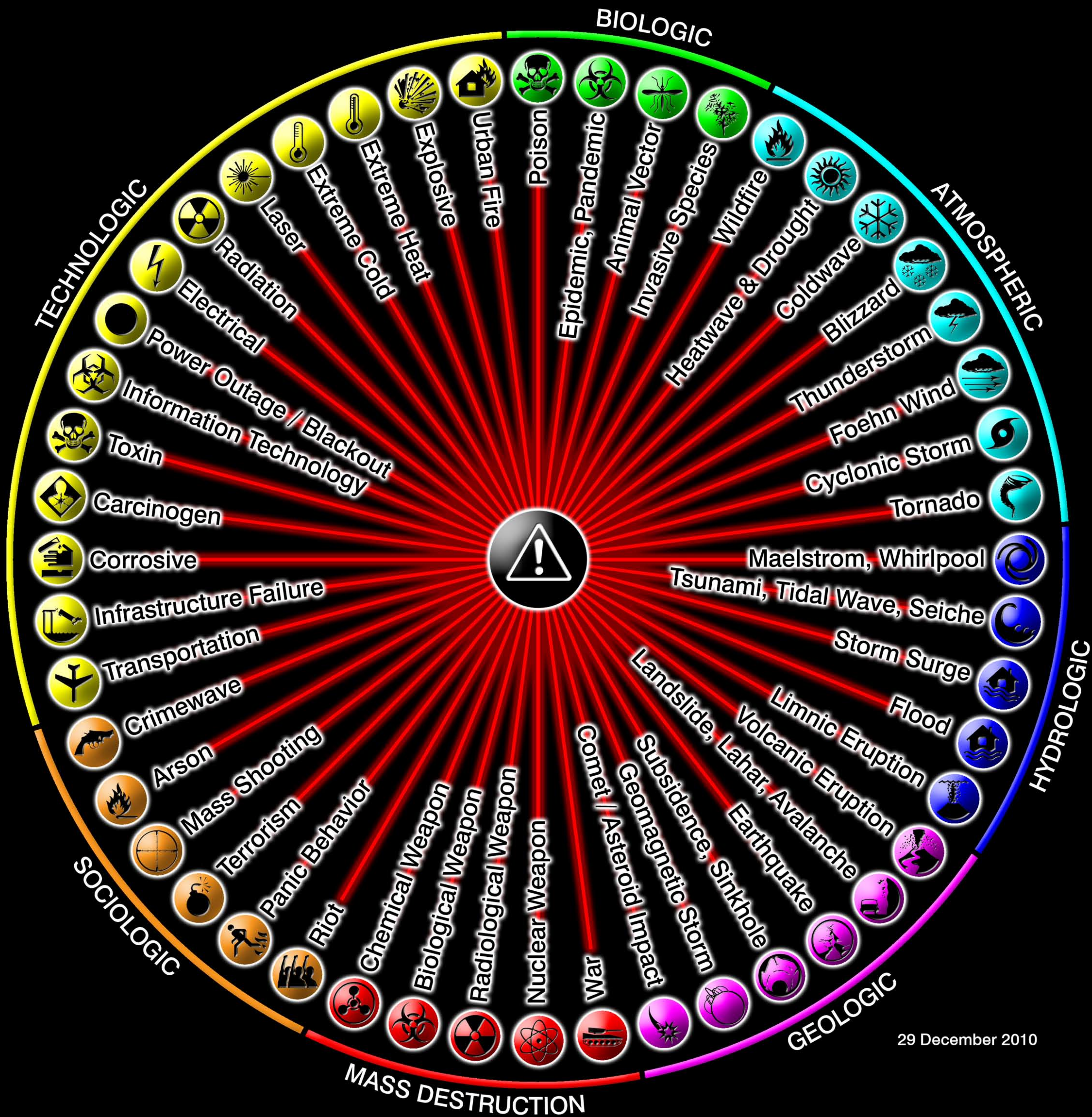


# Hazard Typology & Cascading Disasters



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Disaster Event

A cascading disaster is an event that triggers additional hazards or impacts. For example, the 2010 Haiti Earthquake was followed by numerous additional technologic, hydrologic, biologic and sociologic hazards. This event also increased the level of disaster risk--a function of hazard, exposure, and vulnerability. Disaster risk reduction (DRR) is designed to avoid or limit the adverse impacts of hazards; reduce exposure; and minimize vulnerability within the context of sustainable development.



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