The Rule of Law Under Extreme Conditions: Insights from Israel

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Extreme Conditions - wars, “natural” disasters and socio-political meltdowns - pose a unique challenge for the rule of law. Is law part of the solution, by addressing in advance the risks of disasters, or is law part of the problem because it limits the powers of governments to do what is necessary in confronting the unforeseen? Even in functioning democracies these tensions are far from being resolved. Israel has faced such risks since its inception, and therefore current research assessing its approach can provide useful insights.

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