

“Capacity for Risk Management of Earthquakes and Health Emergencies – IPA CARE”

IPA III Multi-country Action Programme 2021

EU civil protection support for prevention, preparedness and response to natural disasters in Western Balkans and Türkiye

Contracting authority	European Union, European Commission, Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO), Disaster Preparedness and Prevention, Civil Protection Horizontal Issues. <i>Ref: Ares(2022)5274586</i>
Budget	12,8 million EUR.
Duration	1 March 2023 – 28 February 2029 (72 months).
Implementing Consortium	<p>Consortium Coordinator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) <p>Partners of the Consortium</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dipartimento della Protezione Civile – Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (DPC) ➤ Ministry of the Interior - Civil Protection Directorate, Republic of Croatia (CPD) ➤ Ministerul Afacerilor Interne – Departamentul pentru Situații de Urgență (DSU) ➤ Fondazione Centro Europeo di Formazione e Ricerca in Ingegneria Sismica (EUCENTRE) ➤ The Centre for Research on Health Care in Disasters, Karolinska Institutet (KI) ➤ Centro Internazionale In Monitoraggio Ambientale (Fondazione CIMA)
Partner Countries	Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo*, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Türkiye <i>* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.</i>
Target groups	National civil protection authorities and health ministries.
Overall objective	The overall objective is to contribute to Partners’ increased resilience in particular to earthquakes and health emergencies.
Specific objective	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To enhance institutional and legal framework and capacities of the IPA III relevant beneficiaries on disaster risk reduction related to earthquakes and health emergencies in particular. 2. To increase prevention, preparedness and response capability of the IPA III relevant beneficiaries at regional, cross-border and local levels in relation in particular to earthquakes and health emergencies. 3. To increase IPA III beneficiaries’ participation in and cooperation with the UCPM including regional cross-border cooperation.

<p>Technical components (Specific objectives)</p> <p>Work packages (outcomes)</p>	<p>Component 1 – Institutional and legal framework and capacities on DRR related in particular to earthquakes and health emergencies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work package 1.1: Development of institutional and legal frameworks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1.1a: Focusing on Health risks ▪ 1.1b: Focusing on Seismic Risk ○ Work package 1.2: Inter-institutional coordination ○ Work package 1.3: Civil Protection volunteerism <p>Component 2 – Increased prevention, preparedness and response capability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work package 2.1: Medical response surge capacity ○ Work package 2.2: USAR development ○ Work package 2.3: Risk assessment and management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2.3a: Focus on Health Risk and comprehensive frameworks ▪ 2.3b: Focusing on Seismic Risk <p>Component 3 – Increased participation in and cooperation with the UCPM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work package 3.1: Regional cooperation ○ Work package 3.2: Operational cooperation with UCPM ○ Work package 3.3: Capacity strengthening cooperation with UCPM
<p>Cross-cutting issues (CCI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Gender and Human Rights Based Approach (HRBA). ➤ Environment and Climate Change (EU Green Deal, Green Agenda for the Western Balkans, Sendai Framework etc.)
<p>Monitoring & Evaluation</p>	<p>M&E is and an integrated part of the Programme management and implementation, essential for continuous learning, adaptability, steering and risk management. It is also used to promote results, accountability and support communication.</p>
<p>Strategic Approach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Phased flexible approach ➤ Active partnership and ownership ➤ Continuity – building on existing structures and capabilities ➤ Mutual exchange and learning ➤ Regional participation ➤ Comprehensive approach to capacity development
<p>Type of activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Advisory missions ➤ Technical workshops ➤ National and regional workshops ➤ Training and exercises (table tops, joint field exercises and full-scale exercises) ➤ Mentoring, peer support and networking ➤ Participation in international fora

Programme implementation and management structure	<p>Steering Committee The Steering Committee (SC) has an overall role to support and supervise implementation of the Programme. It is the decision-making body of the Programme. It will have a broad representation.</p> <p>Consortium Coordination Group The Consortium members are coordinated by the Consortium Coordination Group (CCG).</p> <p>Programme Management Team The Programme management team plays an active and supportive role in implementation. The management is composed of a Programme Director, Project Managers, Administrative officer, Financial officer, HR officer, and a Communication expert.</p> <p>Implementation leadership A Team Leader is in charge of the implementation with support of a Deputy Team Leader and Local Coordinators. They ensure coherence and strategic orientation within each component.</p> <p>Each work package has lead experts and technical experts.</p> <p>They work together with the Partners' National Programme Coordinators and working groups which participate in Programme planning, implementation and follow-up.</p> <p>Experts on cross-cutting issues All of the abovementioned experts are supported by dedicated experts on cross-cutting issues.</p>
Programme management and backstopping	<p>As lead, MSB has overall programme management, backstopping, financial and communication responsibilities, ensuring that contractual commitments are met.</p>
Communication	<p>Strategic communication is used for ownership, sustainability and visibility of the Programme, and for communicating the change vision.</p>
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