

Annex II

Nomination form for cities and local governments to participate in the campaign

Please send the nomination form and the mayor's letter to isdr-campaign@un.org. Nominations will be accepted on an ongoing basis throughout 2010-11.

City / Local Government (Please indicate the year the numbers were provided.)	
City name	
Location (short description)	Located in the North-Western part of Basilicata, just at the border with Campania, Muro Lucano is one of "The 100th Most Beautiful Towns in Italy". At 600 mt. above sea level, the town hugs the summit of a steep hill: from the castle at the top, stone houses drop along the hill sides as if built one on top of the other. The rural area covers a large territory where many cricks cut deep, narrow canyons. These are hidden at distance by the rich surrounding vegetation.
Size (year)	125,76 skm (square kilometers) (2011)
Population (year)	5711 (year 2010)
GDP	N/A
Hazard type(s)	The territory is subject to three main risks: seismic , hydro-geological , wildland fire.
Name of Mayor / Commissioner / Governor / Community leader	
Dr. Gerardo MARIANI	
Which part of the city administration will be the focal point for the Campaign?	
Mayor	
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Which local institutions will be engaged in the Campaign? (In addition to the local government.)	
Associazione di Protezione Civile Muro Lucano Gruppo Lucano (civil defense volunteer association) Corpo Forestale dello Stato, stazione di Muro Lucano (Forest Rangers)	
Major Disaster Risks (Please indicate major disasters that have occurred, prevailing hazards and vulnerable conditions.)	

The territory and city center of Muro Lucano are classified as level 1 (one) for seismic risk, being 1 the highest risk on an evaluation scale 1 to 4. There are historical records of a seismic event in 990 and well documented is the destruction and high death toll of the 1694 event. The 23/11/1980 earthquake (magnitude 6.89 on the Richter Scale, with violent aftershocks for 90 seconds) had its epicenter just 20 kms away from the town and destroyed 80% of the buildings while claiming 20 lives. The town was marked as Disaster area with the following special reconstruction legislation

A second risk is the hydro-geological one. Significant portions of town have been classified, within the "Hydro-geological Risk Defense Plan" prepared by the Sele Basin Inter-regional Authority marks parts of the territory - some even in close proximity with center town - as Level R4 and R3, being 4 equivalent to Very High, and 3 = High.

As much of the Basilicata territory, Muro Lucano confronts wildfires every summer and has suffered in time extensive culture losses. In recent years active rural population has been declining, and activities that used to provide stream and land control have disappeared. The abandoned terrain are overgrown with bushes and dead vegetation. Extreme weather events have become more frequent with heavy rains that are not properly drained and contained alternating with windy-dry hot weather spell when cricks dry up and intervention in overgrown and harsh terrain are difficult or impossible.

Achievements and plans in relation to the ten essentials areas

A - Make an estimation of the **status** per essential as follows:

1 - poor/nothing in place, 2 - some progress in place, 3 - in place, well functioning, or N/A

B - Please describe main areas of **progress** and **achievements**.

C - Please identify **activities** and **plans** your city will pay special attention to **improve the current situation** during the campaign and beyond. Additionally, feel free to propose special events or activities your city would like undertake to raise awareness on disaster resilience. Please select the respective Essential(s).

Essential 1 – Risk reducing organization and coordination in place

Status - 2

Progress and achievements – The territory enjoys a large participation of volunteers into the Civil Defense Activities of the Gruppo Lucano. These volunteers are trained and well organized for monitoring the territory and prompt intervention against summer wildfires. They are ready to support institutional forces in case of emergencies and disasters. Muro Lucano is one of 8 communities that already have a functioning COM = Centro Operativo Misto or Integrated Operational Center where the Mayor, the City Technical Officers, the local police, the forest rangers and the Civil Defense Volunteers coordinate and organize interventions and measures to prevent or confront emergencies and disasters.

Plans – The Gruppo Lucano Civil Defense Volunteers have received financing for the completion of the COM infrastructure. As this will be ready shortly, we will be soon able to try practically, evaluate and refine the City Civil Emergency Defense Plan

Essential 2 – Budget assigned

Status - 3

Progress and achievements – After the seismic events of 23/11/1980 the city has been rebuilt according to earthquake resistance Standards. 75%, of the reconstruction is completed, equivalent to 2550 buildings and homes.

Plans – Collect financing in order to complete the reconstruction plan according to seismic regulations.

Essential 3 – Risk assessment prepared

Status - 3

Progress and achievements – The Civil Emergency Plan is ready, with a complete review of risks within the Municipal Area, recommendations for their corrections and prevention of disasters, location and equipment for Emergency Centers. This plan will be integrated in the Urban Planification and Regulation as work on it is progressing.

Plans – The population will be introduced to the emergency plan through local presentations and discussions. A general drill will follow.

Essential 4 – Investment in risk reducing infrastructure	Status - 2
<p>Progress and achievements – In order to reduce the hydro-geological risk the City Administration has required funding at the national and regional level, to execute strengthening interventions to prevent landslides in town.</p> <p>Regarding the risk of wildland fire, the City Administration, through the work of forest workers, does yearly maintenance work on the main country roads to reduce the presence of vegetation and obstacles and to guarantee the accessibility to four wheel drive fire-trucks</p>	
<p>Plans – The City Administration plans to complete the plan to reduce the hydro-geological risk in the built-up area and to downgrade the risk factors from R4 and R3 to R1</p>	
Essential 5 – Safe schools and health facilities	Status - 3
<p>Progress and achievements – Two of three school buildings have been brought up to regulation for what concerns seismic resistance and safety standards</p> <p>The hospital is up to regulation in both respect and has been in fact chosen as one safe area after a disaster</p>	
<p>Plans – We have one school building left to bring up to norm, which will promptly be done having funds already been assigned to such purpose</p>	
Essential 6 – Risk-compliant building regulation and land use applied	Status - 2
<p>Progress and achievements – The New City Planning under preparation will incorporate the City Emergency Plan recommendations for all risks identified on Muro Lucano territory. The Town Planning identifies present situations and future planning according to national and regional codes, for the environment aspects (Environment Impact Valuation), urban planning and seismic risk. Many town buildings fall under architectonic and historical inheritance regulations which implies procedural delays for interventions.</p>	
<p>Plans – Completion of New Town Planning and enforcement of related plans and codes.</p>	
Essential 7 – Education programmes and training in place	Status - 3
<p>Progress and achievements – The Association of Civil Defense of the Gruppo Lucano was established in Muro Lucano a while ago and counts 60 volunteers . In good agreement with local authorities the association has been covering for many years the areas of civile defense at the organizational, intervention and prevention level. The association distinguished itself with the rest of the Gruppo Lucano during the Abruzzo post-hearthquake intervention in 2009 and after the Metaponto valley flooding in 2011.</p> <p>Educational and informational activities involve the volunteers in school and public assembly. Regular training for new and established volunteers is provided through the network of the Gruppo Lucano of which Muro Lucano Volunteers are part and distinguished representatives.</p> <p>Prevention and information activities have involved the local population into road and rural area cleaning</p>	
<p>Plans – We plan to pursue more civilian participation both through information and practical drills</p>	
Essential 8 – Ecosystems and natural buffers protected	Status - 2
<p>Progress and achievements – The ecosystem is not exposed to specific risk other than the already mentioned natural ones.</p>	
<p>Plans – Local authorities plan to obtain Emas (Eco-Management and Audit Scheme) certification for the municipal territory.</p> <p>This will allow a better control of the territory and at the same time its improvement from the point of view of environment and sustainable tourism.</p>	

Essential 9 – Early warning systems installed	Status - 3
<p>Progress and achievements – Cooperation between the volunteers of Civil Defence and the forest Rangers for the summer wildland prevention campaign is well established. The volunteers of Civil Defence have VHF equipment for communication within the emergency network.</p>	
<p>Plans – Acquisition of meteo-monitoring system and seismographic unit to promptly acquire emergency information and provide intervention Connection with the satellite early warning system for wild fire already in place at the Regional Operative Center of the Gruppo Lucano</p>	
Essential 10 – Needs-based (survivors) reconstruction	Status - 2
<p>Progress and achievements – reconstruction after the 1980 earth quake is almost complete</p>	
<p>Plans – complete safety upgrade of historical buildings</p>	

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