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**Meeting of European National Platforms and Focal Points  
Paris, 24-25 April 2008  
Hosted by UNESCO within the Council of Europe (EUR-OPA Major Hazard  
Agreement) permanent correspondent meeting**

**Draft Agenda**

***24 April – Meeting scheduled within the EUR-OPA Permanent Correspondent Agenda  
UNESCO Building – Room XIII***

*14h30 Welcoming addresses by*

- Council of Europe: European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA) (Iuliu Bara, Chair of the Committee of Permanent Correspondents and Eladio Fernández-Galiano Executive Secretary. EUR-OPA)
- UN/ISDR secretariat (Sálvano Briceño, Director United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)
- European Network of NPs (Karl-Otto Zentel, Chair)

*14h50 Progress on disaster risk reduction activities*

- Presentation by UN/ISDR on progress in the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action (reporting guidelines and presentation of work plan for monitoring and progress review and its publication) (Paola Albrito, UN/ISDR Europe Coordinator);
- Discussion on presentation and brainstorming on current main achievements.

*15h45-16h00 Coffee Break*

*16h00 Opportunities of collaboration on disaster risk reduction in Europe*

- Presentation by EUR-OPA of collaborative centers and synergies with European NPs and HFA Focal Points (Francesc Pla, Council of Europe EUR-OPA Programme Manager)
- UN/ISDR presentation on recent developments in Europe. (Paola Albrito, UN/ISDR Europe Coordinator);
- The European Network of National Platforms and HFA Focal Points; (DKKV Chair of the European Network of NPs<sup>1</sup>/Karl-Otto Zentel)
- EU/EC and disaster risk reduction: the development of a disaster prevention strategy.

*17h30 Signature of the Memorandum of Co-operation between the Council of Europe and the secretariat for the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR)*

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<sup>1</sup> The phrase “the European Network of National Platforms and HFA Focal Points” is used to ensure proper editing of the English language. In the agreement signed between AFPCN, DKKV and PLANAT it is referred to as “A network of European National Platforms and HFA Focal Points”.

**25 April**

**UNESCO Building Room XVI**

*9h00 Common issues to take forward at the European level: review on main challenges in Europe and ways forward.*

- Climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction: common agenda and key events  
(Introduction on main events)  
Discussion on common objectives and main events.
- Twinning of National Platforms (Introduction on main events)  
Discussion on common objectives and main events.

*10h30-10h45 Coffee Break*

*10h45 - An European Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction. (Introduction the topic)*

Discussion on the European Network of National Platform and high political level engagement in Europe

*12h00 Closure of the meeting*

**Please note that for the second day the meeting language will be English.**