HFA Europe Region Report

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Objective

To provide an update on achievements, advancements and key trends in the implementation of the HFA at national and regional levels in Europe from 2007-2009, as identified by the partners.
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WHY

The HFA Europe Report

- To provide “where we are” in relation to HFA priorities in Europe as a region, therefore share information with European NPs and HFA FPs and regional partners on current achievements and way forward.

- To share information on “where we are” globally – Publication available at Global Platform 16-19 June
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WHO Reported

The HFA Europe Report has been possible thanks to national and regional organizations that submitted their HFA Monitor Report to UNISDR:

These are:

Armenia, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Montenegro, Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, and the United Kingdom.

Council of Europe (EUR-OPA Major Hazard Agreement); EC DG Environment–Civil Protection Unit; EC DG Research; a network of European National Platforms; CEUDIP; DPPI SEE

Report developed by:

UNISDR, Council of Europe in collaboration with DKKV.
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HOW

HFA Europe report based on HFA monitor reports for Europe submitted online (through PreventionWeb) and Regional Organizations reports using the UNISDR reporting format.

- Europe Region 15 have submitted their HFA Report online, 1 submitted an HFA report not online and using a different reporting format and standard
- The report is based on the HFA indicators aggregated into 3 strategic goals and the 5 HFA priorities.
Overview of Progress: Priority for Action 1: Ensure that disaster risk reduction (DRR) is a national and a local priority with a strong institutional basis for implementation:

2 Some progress, but without systematic policy and/or institutional commitment

3 Institutional commitment attained, but achievements are neither comprehensive nor substantial

4 Substantial achievement attained but with recognized limitations in capacities and resources

5 Comprehensive achievement with sustained commitment and capacities at all levels
Overview of Progress: Priority for Action 2: Identify, assess and monitor disaster risks and enhance early warning

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Overview of Progress: Priority for Action 3: Use knowledge, innovation and education to build a culture of safety and resilience at all levels

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Overview of Progress: Priority for Action 4 Reduce the underlying risk factors

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Overview of Progress: Priority for Action 5

Strengthen disaster preparedness for effective response at all levels

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Recommendations at national levels

- DRR related to legal provisions and national policies needs to be further strengthened and integration with national development plans still missing in many cases;
- Cooperation at all levels needs, both horizontally and vertically needs to be further promoted (ag. Climate Change);
- Need for Governments to strengthen National Platforms;
- DRR Capacity building and empowerment at local and community level further promoted;
- Further improve knowledge and information sharing on DRR at national level;
- Promoting involvement of the private sector in DRR (insurance);
- Strengthening within national governmental agencies and ministries information flow (warnings) and clear definition of roles and responsibilities within governmental entities;
- Linking DRR to education and school curricula;
- Strengthening emergency management systems in terms of Management Info System.
Recommendations at regional levels

- Regional and subregional entities to further prioritize DRR in their agenda
- Cooperation funds spent not only in emergency but also in incorporating DRR in development programmes and projects
- Standardization of data collected at regional level and climate change risks included in the broader disaster risk reduction analysis
- Integration of DRR in national and regional sector strategies and programmes
NEXT STEPS

28 February: Final deadline for feedbacks on draft report to the UNISDR

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Thank you

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