

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.) | |
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| City name | Fardella (Potenza province - Italy) |
| Location (short description) | Fardella is located in the Region of Basilicata (South Italy) inside the Pollino National Park, at 745 metres above sea level and along the valley of the Sinni river. Fardella's territory is characterized by oak woods and Mediterranean scrub abundant in Broom bushes. Some organic farming is present. The territory is also rich in spring water. |
| Size (year) | 28 kms (square kilometers) (2001 census) |
| Population (year) | 649 (year 2011) |
| GDP | |
| Hazard type(s) | The territory is subject to three main risks: seismic risk, hydrogeological risk, wildland fire risk |
| Name of Mayor / Commissioner / Governor / Community leader | |
| Ms. Domenica OROFINO (Mayor) | |
| Which part of the city administration will be the focal point for the Campaign? | |
| Civil Defence Department | |
| Contact details Focal Point | |
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| Which local institutions will be engaged in the Campaign? (In addition to the local government.) | |
| Associazione di Protezione Civile Fardella Gruppo Lucano (civil defence volunteer association) Corpo Forestale dello Stato, stazione di Fardella (Park Rangers) | |
| Major Disaster Risks (Please indicate major disasters that have occurred, prevailing hazards and vulnerable conditions.) | |

Fardella is exposed to seismic risk and, presently, the entire territory is classified, on the Italian seismic risk chart, as level 2. The classification system adopted has four levels, level one being the highest in terms of seismic risk.

A second risk is the hydrogeological one. In 2009, outside of the town, a landslide took place which caused the closure of the local road (named Vaccuto) which gave access to several farming buildings. Significant portions of town have been classified, by the "Plan for the Defence from Hydrogeological Risk" prepared by the Basilicata Basin Authority, as areas of risk level R4 (very high hydrogeological risk) and level R3 (high hydrogeological risk).

Yearly, during the summer period, wildland fires risk is present (in particular, during the summer of 2007 there was a very large wildland fire which destroyed several hundred hectares of woods). The abandonment of farming activity and of sheep-farming has created higher risk of wildland fire due to the strong development of undergrowth in the woods and of Mediterranean scrub. In addition, climate changes have made atmospheric phenomena more extreme both in terms of temperature and of rainfall.

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).

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| Essential 1 – Risk reducing organization and coordination in place | Status - 2 |
| Progress and achievements – A strong structure of civil defence volunteers is present in Fardella which involves the participation of 8% of the adult population. This structure is ready to operate directly against wildland fires and as support in case of hydrogeological and seismic disasters. Moreover the Town Administration is defining the organizational structure of the COC ("Centro Operativo Comunale" or Operative Emergency Team). The COC will be responsible for the management of any disaster or emergency that may occur in the town territory. Members of the COC are: the mayor, the town technical office, the local police, the park rangers, the Association of Civile Defence volunteers. | |
| Plans – The Administration, once the COC will be established, will organize a practical test of its operativity. This final step will allow to have in place an operational structure able to coordinate intervention in case of a disaster, to verify and update the preparedness of the town to disasters and to organize risk reduction. | |
| Essential 2 – Budget assigned | Status - 3 |
| Progress and achievements – After the seismic events of 23/11/1980 and 9/9/1998 the Town Administration has been able to obtain consistent funds for the reconstruction of private and public buildings in conformity with seismic regulations. At present this reconstruction plan has been successfully applied to 181 private buildings (more than 60% of the total). | |
| Plans – Complete the financial plan of reconstruction according to seismic regulations. | |
| Essential 3 – Risk assessment prepared | Status - 2 |
| Progress and achievements – The Town Council has subcontracted the preparation of the last portion of the Town Emergency Plan and is preparing the new Town Urban Plan which will incorporate the Town Emergency Plan recommendations. The Town Emergency Plan includes the complete analysis of all risks identified in the Fardella territory and the actions needed to be implemented in order to reduce or eliminate such risks. | |
| Plans – Upon completion of the Town Emergency Plan, the Administration will present it in a public assembly, will proceed to the printing and distribution among the population of a booklet summarizing the plan, and will organize a practical risk simulation which will involve the entire population. The Town Emergency Plan will be updated annually. | |
| Essential 4 – Investment in risk reducing infrastructure | Status - 3 |

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| <p>Progress and achievements – In order to reduce the hydrogeological risk the Town Administration has been able, through funding at the national and regional levels, to execute three important interventions within the urban area which will drastically reduce landslide risk.</p> <p>Regarding the risk of wildland fire the Town Administration, through the work of forest workers, executes yearly maintenance work on the main contry roads to reduce the presence of vegetation and obstacles and to guarantee the accessibility to four-wheel-drive firetrucks.</p> | |
| <p>Plans – The Town Administration intends to complete the plan to reduce the hydrogeological risk in the urban area and to downgrade the risk factors from R4 and R3 to R1.</p> | |
| <p>Essential 5 – Safe schools and health facilities</p> | <p>Status - Please select</p> |
| <p>Progress and achievements – N/A</p> | |
| <p>Plans – N/A</p> | |
| <p>Essential 6 – Risk-compliant building regulation and land use applied</p> | <p>Status - 2</p> |
| <p>Progress and achievements – The New Town Plan currently in preparation will incorporate the Town Emergency Plan recommendations for all risks identified in Fardella's territory. The Town Plan identifies the current situation and future planning according to national and regional codes for environment aspects (Environment Impact Valuation), urban planning, and seismic risk.</p> | |
| <p>Plans – Completion of New Town Plan and enforcement of related plans and codes.</p> | |
| <p>Essential 7 – Education programmes and training in place</p> | <p>Status - 3</p> |
| <p>Progress and achievements – The Association of Civil Defence Gruppo Lucano of Fardella was established in 2007. Today the Association comprises 43 members, thus making of Fardella one of the European cities with the highest density of civil defence volunteers among the adult population.</p> <p>The Association, in full cooperation with the Town Administration, has been successful in all three major areas of intervention of Civil Defence disaster management: a) disaster operational/organizational intervention; b) disaster prevention and preparedness; c) proliferation civil defence awareness among the population.</p> <p>The most significant achievements are the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the Association's acquisition and successful operation, during the last three years, of a four-wheel-drive fire truck suitable for mobilisation and operation against wildland fires; b) as a result of this and of the implementation of an intensive fire-monitoring programme, for two consecutive years there has been no wildland fire in the Fardella territory; c) the acquisitions by the Association of a metereological station and a seismograph that allow the measurement of the most significant parameters related to the three aforementioned major risks; d) the implementation of several training programmes related to wildland fire intervention, managing public building evacuation, first aid; e) the execution of presentations on risk management in many schools of the nearby towns and of "open house" events with students and citizens held at the Association's premises. <p>The Association has extended the activity on enviromental issues. It has promoted "ecological days" with the participation of volunteers and citizens to remove litter from the territory and it has put in place a botanical garden in a town park.</p> | |
| <p>Plans – The Town Administration intends to strenghten the operational capability of the "Fardella Gruppo Lucano" with the acquisition of a four-wheel snow-plough endowed truck for winter snow emergencies. Furthermore the Town Administration intends to sign specific agreements with the "Fardella Gruppo Lucano" to: a) manage the territory to prevent wildland fire; b) execute training and simulation related to the seismic risk; c) increase the educational programmes for its citizens on the issues of risk disaster prevention and reduction.</p> | |
| <p>Essential 8 – Ecosystems and natural buffers protected</p> | <p>Status - 3</p> |

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| Progress and achievements – Fardella's territory is included in the Pollino National Park, therefore all ecosystems present are subject to specific and very strict regulations and codes that protect the environment. In particular the protection of plant life acts as prevention towards hydrogeological risk. | |
| Plans – The Town Administration intends to continue enforcing all National Park regulations and, in addition, to start an educational program related to the issues of climate changes and the need to adapt the risk-management criteria to those changes. | |
| Essential 9 – Early warning systems installed | Status - 3 |
| <p>Progress and achievements – During the summer period the "Fardella Gruppo Lucano" and the Park Rangers provide the wildland-fire monitoring service both through fixed and mobile stations.</p> <p>Regarding the hydrogeological risk the "Fardella Gruppo Lucano" has acquired, using regional funds, a meteorological station which measures, among others parameters, rainfall. This information makes it possible to establish an early warning condition regarding the risk of landslides or flooding for the community.</p> <p>Finally the "Fardella Gruppo Lucano" has activated an "Emergency Room" with VHF radio communication which permits a general warning for the Regional Gruppo Lucano in case of an emergency on Fardella's territory. The "Emergency Room" also has monitors displaying the information from the meteorological station and a seismograph.</p> | |
| Plans – The Town Administration intends to improve the "early warning" system for wildland-fire through the installation of a video camera system dedicated to wildland-fire detection and of a wildland-fire detection software which utilizes satellite imaging. | |
| Essential 10 – Needs-based (survivors) reconstruction | Status - 2 |
| Progress and achievements – As a consequence of the 1980 earthquake and, following the national law for reconstruction (N. 219 of 1981), priority in reconstruction has been allocated to private buildings on the basis of the specific needs of the population. | |
| Plans – The City Administration intends to complete the remaining 20% of the reconstruction program left for the less important interventions. | |