



Europe's wildfire prevention action plan

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Wildfire prevention action plan

- Ministers asked the EC to support countries on prevention (Sep 2022)
- Action Plan was presented (Oct 2022) and the first deliverables are underway
- Based on UCPM mandate, and using UCPM tools



Peer review programme



New wildfire-specific assessment tool | **Risk governance** at the centre | Increased demand: **9 countries**

Wildfire risk awareness good practices

- A collection of **good practices on raising wildfire risk awareness in Europe** to further enhance citizen's role in protection, preparedness, and prevention of wildfire risk will be published by end 2023.
- A new **wildfire risk awareness and communication initiative at EU level – in consultation, to be launched in 2024.**

Analysis of the UCPM Call on Risk Awareness and Initiatives (53) and Projects (9) sample



Proposal for an approach for the EC to support wildfire risk awareness activities



Development of a pilot Pan-European Wildfire Risk Awareness initiative



Cohesion
policy and
funds

Recovery
and
Resilience
Facility

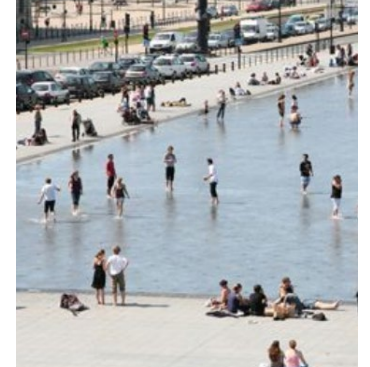
Common
Agricultural
Policy and
funding

Horizon
Europe
research
programme

Environment
policies and
LIFE fund

Climate
change
adaptation
action

Mainstreaming disaster prevention and preparedness across the EU



How is
the EU
support
used?

Progress
?

Good
practices
?

Gaps?

What
and
when to
improve
?

Mid-way 2021-2027
Starting reflections on post2027

Time for a closer look

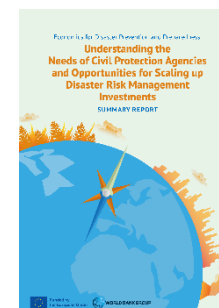
Economics for Disaster Prevention and Preparedness



“Investing in disaster resilience makes economic sense and provides co-benefits”



“Pre-arranged finance can help manage the financial and economic impacts posed by disasters”



“CP agencies capacity needs to be strengthened to allow scaling up prevention and preparedness”

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2024**

Phase 2 - Spotlight on Civil Protection



✓ Tools for scaling up investments in prevention and preparedness

✓ Understanding links between DRM and climate change agenda

✓ Strengthening financial resilience

✓ Improved capacity on prevention and preparedness

2024 UCPM funding opportunities for the Union Disaster Resilience Goals:

**Technical Assistance for Disaster
Risk Management
(Track 1)**

**Knowledge for Action in
Prevention and Preparedness
(KAPP)**



**Technical Assistance
Financing Facility
(TAFF)**

UCPM funding opportunities for the Union DRGs

I) Technical Assistance for Disaster Risk Management (Track 1)

Overall objective

Supporting capacity building activities for DRM authorities: preparing investments & strengthening the institutional and policy framework

Eligible countries

- EU Member States
- UCPM participating states
- Other countries: Georgia and Kosovo.

- **EUR 6 million** (indicative)

-Maximum EU contribution per project: **€ 750 000 (95% EU co-financing)**

-Implementation period: **24 months (max)**

-Invitations and opening for proposal submission on the Funding and Tender opportunities portal: **23 January 2024 (tbc)**

-Deadline to submit proposals: **9 April 2024 (tbc)**

-Info day: **13 February 2024**

II) Knowledge for Action in Prevention and Preparedness

Overall objective

Co-funding activities in UCPM member and participating states, IPA and eligible neighbouring countries, to support disaster prevention and preparedness, and to provide a testing environment and a learning opportunity through full-scale field exercises. The activities will support implementation of the Union disaster resilience goals.

Topics (indicative):

1. Prevention:

- Priority 1: Risk assessments, anticipation and risk management planning
- Priority 2: Risk awareness
- Priority 3: Early warning
- Priority 4: Wildfire risk management**

2. Preparedness:

- Priority 1: Institutional preparedness
- Priority 2: Individual capacity strengthening

3. Full-scale exercises

-EUR 14 million (indicative)

-Maximum EU contribution per project: **€ 1 000 000 (90% EU co-financing)**

-Implementation period: **24 months (max)**

-Publication of the call on the Funding and Tender opportunities portal:
16 January 2024

-Opening of the call: **1 February 2024**

-Deadline to submit proposals: **25 April 2024 (tbc)**

-Info day: **15 February 2024**

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III) Technical Assistance Financing Facility (TAFF)

– EUR 4 million / 2024

Track 1

- MS-led Technical Assistance projects
- In charge of your own procurement of expertise
- Open scope of proposals – mainly supporting the implementation of national priorities
- 5% co-financing by MS

TAFF

- MS choose type of support needed from pre-identified areas
- Fully externally-executed TA project (turnkey project) – World Bank
- Contracting done by the Commission (Indirect management)
- 100 % EU financed
- Will be launched in February 2024

Thank you

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