

PROJECT PARTNERS

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PP1 Dubrovnik and Neretva County

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PP2 Marche Region

www.regione.marche.it

PP3 Split-Dalmatia County

www.dalmacija.hr/en

PP4 EEIG Eurelations

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PP5 Friuli Venezia Giulia Region

Civil protection Dpt.

www.protezionecivile.fvg.it

PP6 Zadar County

www.zadarska-zupanija.hr

Project overall objective

READINESS (Resilience Enhancement of ADriatic basin from firE and SeiSmic) aims at increasing the safety of the Croatian and Italian Adriatic basin from natural and man-made disaster. It pursues this objective by improving the both countries' resilience and overall ability of ecosystems and communities to resist, absorb, accommodate to and recover from the effects of forest fire and earthquake hazards in a timely and efficient manner.

The cross-border partnership aims at monitoring of forest fire and seismic risks and enhancing crisis management by: a) improving proactive readiness of Civil Protection and Inhabitants; b) enhancing the monitoring of SPBs' seismic vulnerability and safety in quality and quantity then; c) strengthening the use of monitoring system in forest fire surveillance and detection. The above objective will be sought by promoting cross-border policies that encourage the development of integrated effective sustainable solutions that harmonize at the best with specific territorial contexts.

Project' specific objectives

- 1) To improve the proactive readiness of Civil Protection in facing forest fire and earthquake hazard;
- 2) To establish cross-border model and pilot actions to monitor strategic and relevant public buildings;
- 3) To improve citizens' behaviour to face forest fire and earthquake disasters.

Main outcomes

- 3 Thematic enhancement and adaptation reports;
- 1 Pilot Operational Plan Framework;
- 1 Report on implementation and evaluation of pilot deployment;
- 1 Transfer plan of policy recommendations;
- 6 Regional one-day training workshops.

Target Group

- Children;
- School-age youth;
- Volunteers;
- Civil protection servants;
- Local, regional and national public authorities erational Plan Framework;

Total budget

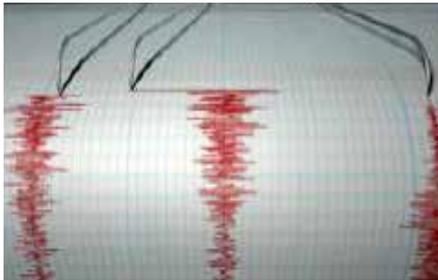
€ 1.176 000

Duration

01.01.2018 – 30.09.2019



Activity Plan



WP1: Project management and coordination of activities (01/01/2018 – 30/06/2019)

The package entails the start-up activities, the daily management and the whole monitoring of the project implementation progress and its financial management.

WP2: Communication activities (01/02/2018 – 30/06/2019)

It involves the start-up activities, the kick-off in Termoli, all the relations with media and document publication. Many digital and innovative tools are envisaged, among which video, infographics and cinemographs. Different kind of social events, work café, awareness days and international events.



WP3: Analysis & streamline of Holistic practices (15/01/2018 – 30/06/2018)

It consists in analysis of technical, scientific and practical issues related to the transferability of the outcomes and best practices. Three task forces have been set up in order to implement outlined enhancement and adaptation measures and release the methodologies, procedures and frameworks to be tested on involved territories.

WP4: Pilot projects deployment (01/07/2018 – 31/09/2019)

The WP aims at deploying the capitalized guidelines, methodologies, best practices and practical results achieved by HOLISTIC project, enhanced and systematized in the frameworks and plans released in the previous

WP5: Transfer & share of acquired knowledge (01/03/2019 – 30/06/2019)

The WP aims at transferring the tested capitalized practices and acquired knowledge and learnt lessons in the regional policies of each involved region and beyond. The above objective will be achieved primarily by adopting a transferring plan in regional policies of Strategic Agenda; secondarily by spreading and making the acquired knowledge and learnt lessons accessible and exploitable by policy makers and stakeholders within and beyond the project area through the activation of a capacity building intervention.

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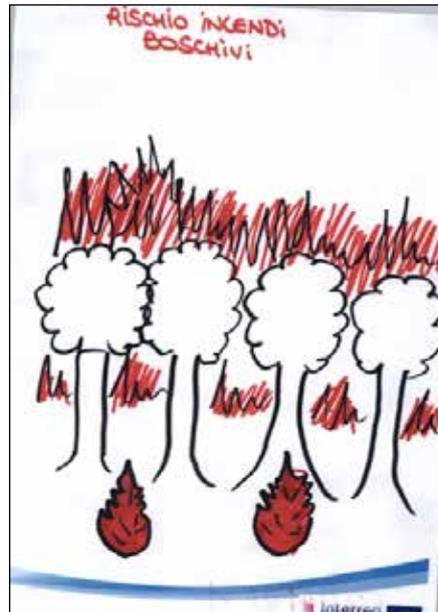
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16th and 26th July, 29th of August

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 Infodays for children



Three Readiness info days for children took place the 16th and 26th July and the 29th of August in Ancona at the premises of regional civil protection, within visiting activities of the civil protection summer camps organized by civil protection volunteers groups. Civil protection regional officers described natural risks, operative Centres activities and task. Thematic drawings on natural risks were realized by the young participants.

Children and relative tutors (109 people in total) were involved from Fermignano, San Marcello and Trecastelli municipalities.



September 10 – October 22, 2018

REGIONE MARCHE Belforte del Chienti

From September 10 to October 22, 2018, in Belforte del Chienti (Regione Marche) took place the “Experimental training course for volunteers on seismic risk: from volunteers to sentinels in the local area”.

Several members of the INGV, the National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology, conducted the training course, as well as exponents of the OGS and the Central Functional Center of the Regione Marche:

Marco Cattaneo - INGV (“Does the last seismic event confirm or deny some elementary concepts of seismology?”), Viviana Castelli and Carlo Meletti – INGV (“From seismicity to seismic risk through seismic hazard. State of the art of a logical path of prevention”), Romano Camassi – INGV (“The theoretical scenarios of the intensity scales and real ones: a logical path leading to the assignment of macroseismic intensity”), Alessandro Rebez - OGS Trieste (“Experiences gained from the Friuli Venezia Giulia Region in training local observatories”) and Paolo Sandroni - Functional Center, Civil Protection Service - Marche Region (“The alert and the emergency: a journey through laws, national regulations and regional procedures”).



October 22 and 23, 2018

SPLIT-DALMATIA COUNTY READINESS Civil Protection Exercise – Makarska



As part of the Civil Protection Day on marking the 25th anniversary of the Split-Dalmatia County, a series of events and activities took place in Makarska in the period from 22 to 23 October 2018. A session of the assembly of the Croatian counties and cities Platform for disaster risk mitigation was held. The Platform of Croatian counties and cities for Catastrophe Risk mitigation was established as a community benefit organization on April 18, 2013 in Zadar, with Split-Dalmatia County being one of the founders. Platform currently comprises 25 regular and 3 supporting members.

The platform has been set up to facilitate the organization, networking and coordination of activities to reduce the risk of catastrophe and the construction of a functional protection and rescue system in the Republic of Croatia, furthermore increasing

disaster response capacities, a more appropriate model for applying to EU funds, The United Nations and others.

A round table on the subject of “Civil Protection System Today and Tomorrow in the Republic of Croatia” was organized, attended by Ante Sanader, President of the Croatian Fire Fighting Association; Stjepan Huzjak, Deputy Director of the State Protection and Rescue Directorate; Vinko Prizmic, head of the Croatian Mountain Rescue Service, Pavle Kalinić, Head of Zagreb City Emergency Management Office and Marijan Vundać, President of the Croatian Counties and Cities Platform for Disaster Risk mitigation.

Guests were welcomed by County deputy prefect Mr. Brčić and the Mayor of Makarska, Mr. Brkan, with the presence of other members of the operational forces of the Civil Protection System, the Commander of the Split-Dalmatia County Fire Department, Mr. Glavina, the Red Cross Society of the Split-Dalmatia County, Mr. Grubisic and the head of the County joint affairs department, Mr. Gabrić.

In addition to presenting the activities of the Readiness Project to the participants of the Round Table and members of the Platform, a demonstrative-educational exercise of the Civil Protection System of the Split-Dalmatia County was carried out as a part of EU project READINESS activities.

The exercise scenario is designed to test the local community’s disaster response.

Due to the earthquake, a fire broke out on Stjepan Ivičević’s elementary school, and students are in need of emergency evacuation. Fire blocking the access needs to be extinguished, allowing access to the injured that are trapped in earthquake demolished area. All the forces of the civil protection system were involved in the exercise: Firefighters, HGSS, Red Cross, Split-Dalmatian County special civil protection rescue unit and other emergency services.

After the exercise, a technical assembly was held, and all present were able to see the vehicles and equipment used in the exercise. The biggest attention was attracted by the Mobile Command Center of the Split-Dalmatia County Fire Department, the only such in Croatia.

360 reflective jackets were procured from the EU Project READINESS and given to pupils and their teachers. The complete first shift of SC Stjepan Ivičević school, together with some 200 members of the operational forces of civil protection participated in the exercise. As part of this project, the County will continue its activities with the aim of raising local communities resilience to disasters and strengthening the capacities of county forces in the civil protection system.

December 1, 2018

FRIULI VENEZIA GIULIA

Volunteers Day in Tolmezzo (UD); almost 800 people take part at this annual meeting



On Saturday 1st December 2018 was held a public presentation about activities of Readiness project during annual Civil protection Volunteer's Day in Ravascletto (UD), Carnia District, area recently damaged by an heavy flood and weather emergency at the end of October 2018. Many Civil Protection Volunteers were present (almost 800) at the event and several of them have attended the presentation of Readiness activities with practical demonstration of seismic monitoring instruments that are used for real time monitoring of Strategic Buildings in the framework of implementation of one of the pilot actions of WP4. Volunteers were interested in the outputs of this monitoring, and also asked information about the other pilot actions, especially the advanced training courses proposed inside Readiness Project.



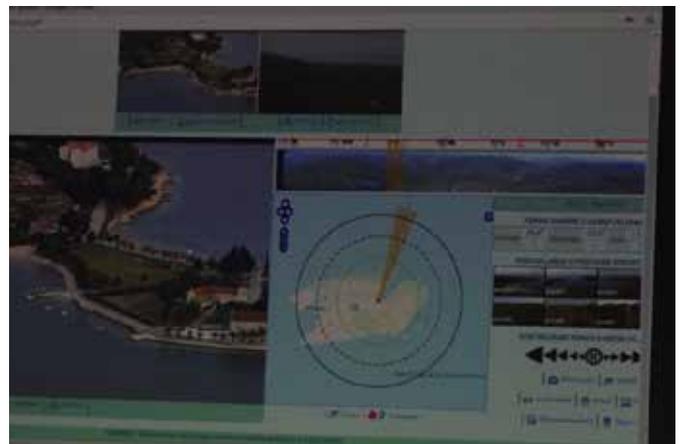
December 3, 2018

SPLIT-DALMATIA COUNTY

The Split-Dalmatia County Prefect, at press conference organized on 3rd December 2018, among other things, presented the new advanced GPS vehicle tracking system. This system is financed by European funds through the Interreg program Italy - Croatia and the EU project "Readiness". The purpose of this system is to improve the supervision and coordination of firefighters and civil protection on the ground in order to make interventions that save lives as well as natural and material assets on a daily basis as quickly and efficiently as possible.

This advanced tracking system features an additional 230 vehicles, which make up the majority of the county civil protection intervention fleet. The system provides an accurate insight into the position of a particular vehicle at all times, and the ability to send coordinates and satellite navigation to the scene of the accident by choosing the fastest and most optimal route, further reducing the time of intervention. The system also provides an insight into the detailed state of all vehicle parameters such as the amount of fuel in the tank, the amount of water in the tank, the condition of the other fire extinguishing equipment etc... These data allow for much better coordination of the operational command with the forces on the ground, reducing the possibility of errors in organizing and carrying out interventions, especially in conditions where it is necessary to coordinate with a large number of people and equipment.

This vehicle tracking system is an upgrade of the existing system implemented through the EU project "Holistic" which makes the Split-Dalmatia County the region's leader in the use of advanced civil protection and fire protection technologies, while setting a new level of standards in saving human lives and preventing natural and material damage



December 7, 2018

REGIONE MARCHE

Seismic monitoring for earthquake resilience of Strategic Public Buildings

On 7 December 2018 a university seminar was held during which the readiness project was presented by Francesca Sini (Civil Protection Service of Regione Marche). During this meeting held at the “Università Politecnica delle Marche” the speakers also told about the seismicity of the Marche and the recent seismic sequence and the dynamic monitoring in the seismic risk assessment.



December 12, 2018

REGIONE MOLISE

The READINESS project: Seismic monitoring and Advanced Civil Protection Training



To stimulate coordinated monitoring actions and increase resilience through the sharing of methodologies and good practices able to mitigate the exposure of the Italian and Croatian Adriatic communities to seismic and forest fire risks: this is the main purpose of Readiness, the cross-border cooperation project presented on December 12, 2018, at the Parlamentino Hall of Campobasso.

This Readiness Day started with a speech by Donato Toma, President of the Molise Region, leader of the project, which was followed by Nicola Cavaliere, the Councilor for Regional Civil Protection.

Gaspare Tocci, Director of the European Territorial Cooperation Service, illustrated strategies and activities of the Regione Molise in the context of territorial cooperation programs, while Nicola Pavone, head of the Readiness Project, illustrated the achievements, contents and the state of art of the implementation.

With the contribution of the University of Molise, in particular with the speech of Vittorio Garfi, the subject of an advanced education for Regional Civil Protection was examined in depth, while Antonio Cardillo, Regional Civil Protection, spoke about the assessment of the seismic vulnerability of strategic buildings in Molise. EURelations GEIE, the company responsible for the communication and dissemination, concluded the workshop by illustrating the events carried out so far in the partner territories.



February 5 and 6, 2019

SPLIT DALMATIA COUNTY 3rd PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING & PRESS CONFERENCE Split, February 5th – 6th 2019

The 3rd project steering committee meeting was held in hotel Atrium in Split on February 5th – 6th 2019. The nature of the event was to discuss the project activities between the partners involved in project implementation. 22 participants were present during the project meetings, exchanging reports and surveys. The partners came to an agreement on how to proceed with remaining activities and agreed on time-plan for finishing work packages.

During the meeting, on the 6th of February, a press conference was held where the Split-Dalmatia County Prefect Mr Blaženo Boban together with lead partner representative Mr Nicola Pavone from Molise Region presented the benefits of READINESS EU project to the media



March 1, 2019

Crossborder Awareness Day

On March 1, 2019, within the framework of the READINESS project, the transnational sensibilization event on seismic risks and on forest fires took place, aimed at children from schools and kindergartens in the partner territories of Italy and Croatia.

The aim of this exercise is to educate the youngest about the risks and dangers of fire and earthquakes and the proper handling in such situations. The event is co-financed from the EU project Readiness, which is part of the successful long-term cooperation Interreg Italy-Croatia program.

Children of the different Croatian and Italian territories were asked to participate in various activities, from drawing about risks and civil protection to the composition of a puzzle, from the earthquake risk exercise to the one for the forest fire risk, and so on... The simultaneous event took place at the Istituto San Giovanni Bosco in Isernia (Regione Molise) and at other schools in Ancona, Palmanova (UD) and, on the other side of the Adriatic, in Dubrovnik, Split, and Zadar. Each partner, according to the age of the students and to the planned teaching material, had organized different activities for the workshops in the morning.

The highlight of the morning was the transnational "video call" in which the youngsters, both Italians and Croatians, supported by their respective local representatives, talked "online" about the experiences and the knowledge acquired during the day.



March 25, 2019

REGIONE MOLISE

READINESS project: Cross-border awareness campaign aimed at young people on the risk of fires and earthquakes.
Istituto Comprensivo Montini (Campobasso)



Prevention, resilience and overcoming the emergency: these were the issues addressed with the students of primary classes III and IV of the Montini Comprehensive School of Campobasso on March 25th, as part of the awareness campaign on the risk of fires and earthquakes, carried continue within the READINESS project.

The day saw a first formative moment with the interventions of the representatives of the Regional Fire Brigade Directorate Molise and of the Regional Civil Protection who illustrated, respectively, the role and operational functions of the Fire Brigade in the management of forest fire and seismic risk and organization of Regional Civil Protection to protect citizens and the territory; subsequently the pupils were involved in a practical moment with the display and illustration of small vehicles and equipment commonly used for calamitous events (earthquakes and fires) and the search simulation of a person in a situation of danger from the canine unit of the Fire Brigade.

