

On behalf of the Crisis Information Centre CBK PAN and the COLLARIS Network project, we are pleased to invite you to share your expertise during a workshop:



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Short-term horizon for **drones** in the **emergency management** sector.

Foresight

26 March 2024
10:00 AM - 12:30 AM
Online event

The COLLARIS Network project is funded by the UCPM program and aims to establish a multidisciplinary networking platform focused on Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS). In line with the Union Civil Protection Knowledge Network objectives, it will bring together civil protection and crisis management stakeholders – both individuals and institutions who will use their competences and experience to contribute to building and sharing of knowledge, expertise and skills in the chosen domain.

COLLARIS project is currently conducting a study on upcoming near-term innovations to **outline advanced drone strategies for the blue-light sector**. The resulting forecast focus on techniques implementable in a short-term horizon (5 years). It will adopt a sectoral approach, focusing on the full implementation process and not only on demonstrating promising but immature solutions. Preliminary hypotheses were established through a year-long series of field trials and meetings with European practitioners. The goal is to forward the strategic-level absorption of innovations.

As a follow-up to the workshop with the R&D sector and technologies providers, we would like to discuss our preliminary conclusions with European crisis management practitioners and end-users.

The aim of the upcoming meeting is to confront our hypotheses, esp. their operational potential side, with **the views of European practitioners of the emergency management sector**, particularly in terms of the achievable visions of the near future driven by your operational experience and practical knowledge. We would particularly appreciate your expertise on the topic of overlooked **barriers** and unaddressed **potentials**.

During the workshop we will first present the scope of the study and an overview of the preliminary results. Each of the foresight scenarios will then be described, followed by interventions from the participants. At the same time, a survey tool will run in the background to collect additional comments.

[Please nominate a delegate to attend our online workshop by Friday 22 March.](#) You will receive a brief description of the preliminary Forecast results together with a link to join a couple of days before the event. A participatory approach and a short reflection on the provided study will be expected from you in the second part of the meeting.

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