



# PLUTUS

Funding resilient futures: Exploring funding practices in the field of disaster risk management

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# Project background

- Challenges faced by civil protection services in accessing funding opportunities
- Understanding the Needs of Civil Protection Agencies and Opportunities for Scaling up Disaster Risk Management Investments
  - Difficulties faced by CP agencies to understand and easily access relevant information on funding opportunities provided through different EU mechanisms;
  - Institutional and technical limitations that prevent the effective implementation of financial resources

# Research questions



What are the common challenges in accessing EU funding?



What are good practices that could improve the process?

# Objectives

- Identifying funding opportunities and existing obstacles in disaster risk management.
- Investigating roadblocks faced by civil protection services on a Belgian and EU level.
- Gather insights into successful approaches and strategies
- Synthesizing information into guidelines and best practices for stakeholders involved in disaster risk management
- Identification of Good Practices and drafting recommendations for improvement in DRM procedures.

# UCPM interest in the PLUTUS-project

## Civil Protection Forum 2024

Multiple-choice poll

Are you currently facing difficulties when it comes to attracting EU Disaster Risk Management funding?

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Yes



No



Ranking poll

Rank according to your priority - what specific areas or topics related to DRM investment do you find most interesting that will be addressed in the PLUTUS project?

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1. Mapping out various funding sources available for DRM projects  
2.53
2. Finding out more about best practices and case studies from other Member States and Participating States as inspiration  
2.48
3. Providing recommendations to streamline and simplify funding application procedures  
1.60
4. Providing recommendations to streamline and simplify funding implementation procedures  
1.48



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# PLUTUS - Timeline

Methodology

Data Gathering

Conference

Final report

Methodology	Data Gathering	Conference	Final Report
List of activities	List of activities	List of activities	List of activities
Research	Interviews/questionnaire	Organisation of the conference	Ministerial report
Writing of the methodology	Mapping	Reference documents	Final report/Guidelines (MS & PS)
	Field visits	Report	
	Analysis data		



# Preliminary outcomes: Civil Protection Forum 2024

**What are the main roadblocks or challenges you encounter when accessing European funding for DRM projects?** 0 6 3  
(1/2)

Ensuring the needed national funding, to enable partially funded EU project



Lack of available time, staff, and expertise to develop the project



Lack of interest, knowledge, and priority within the national organization



Too rigid internal procedures and rules within own National authority



Too rigid procedures and rules at EU level



Multiple-choice poll (Multiple answers)

**What are the main roadblocks or challenges you encounter when accessing European funding for DRM projects?** 0 6 3  
(2/2)

Unclear procedures and/or lack of guidance from the EU



Other



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# Long-term expected outcomes

Increased awareness and accessibility of funding opportunities.

Identification and mitigation of roadblocks in disaster risk management investments.

Sharing of best practices among EU Member States/UCPM Participating States.

Enhancement of disaster risk management investment quality and efficiency.



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