

PROJECT 1st NEWSLETTER

<https://civil-protection-knowledge-network.europa.eu/projects/emerge>

 Funded by
European Union
Humanitarian Aid



Thursday, July 31, 2025

Share, Prepare, Respond

About EMERGE



The **“Rapid Multi-Risk Needs Evaluation and Planning Platform”** project aims to conduct comprehensive multi-country and cross-border multi-risk assessment and planning, which involves the rapid identification of needs for early crisis response based on near real-time seismic and landslide risk evaluation.

News

- Project Kick-off
- First 6 months progress
- Conferences & Workshops
- Social Media





07 March 2025

The EMERGE Project was officially launched on March 7, 2025, at the Polytechnic University of Tirana. Funded by the EU's UCPM-2024-KAPP program, the two-year initiative unites 12 institutions from 6 countries to enhance cross-border disaster preparedness. Coordinated by IZIIS, EMERGE will develop a web-based platform for rapid, multi-risk assessment focused on earthquakes and landslides. Over 35 participants gathered to align on strategy, work packages, and next steps—marking a strong start toward a more resilient Europe.

The kick-off meeting featured opening remarks from project leaders and presentations on five core work packages, covering project management, risk assessment, exposure mapping, ground shaking models, and outreach. Each partner institution outlined its role, confirming strong commitment and collaboration across the consortium.

Project Kick-Off



EMERGE project continues the success story of previous UCPM-funded initiatives—**InfraNAT**, **CRISIS**, and **ISRA**—carried out since 2017. It capitalizes on the knowledge, partnerships, and achievements of these projects to deliver innovative solutions for cross-border, multi-risk emergency preparedness.



First 6 months progress

In the first half of the project, EMERGE has submitted six major deliverables, with three already approved and three currently under review. These outputs address essential elements of project setup, risk assessment methodology, and communication strategy. .

The timely submission and steady progress reflect strong coordination across the consortium and a solid foundation for the next implementation steps.

Deliverables & Milestones Completed

D1.1 | Consortium agreement Submitted/Approved

D1.2 | Project management and work plan Submitted/Approved

D1.4 | Quality procedures manual Submitted/Approved

D2.1 | Review of Best National, European, and International Methodologies and Practices for Multi-Risk Assessment and Needs Planning Submitted/Approval Pending

D2.2 | Elaboration of Guidelines for CBR implementation of the selected Needs Assessment Approach Submitted/Approval Pending

D5.1 | Dissemination and exploitation plan Submitted/Approval Pending

M1 | Kick-off meeting

M8 | Completion of Dissemination and exploitation plan

M4 | Selection of Rapid Needs Assessment Methodology



**KNOWLEDGE FOR ACTION
IN PREVENTION AND PREPAREDNESS
CALL FOR PROPOSALS (UCPM-2024-KAPP)**

**KICK-OFF MEETING
THURSDAY 13 MARCH 2025**

Venue: European Commission – DG ECHO, Auditorium
Rue Joseph II 79, 1000 Brussels, Belgium



**Enhancing School Safety: Expert
Regional Dialogue on Retrofitting
and Disaster Risk Reduction
Strategies**



Conferences & Workshops

EMERGE project was presented at several international conferences and workshops:

39th General Assembly of the European Seismological Commission, Corfu, Greece (22-27 September 2024)

Rapid needs assessment for informed disaster prevention, mitigation, and resilience: A multicounty effort

102nd Journées Luxembourgeoises de Géodynamique (JLG) & EFEHR Scientific Session, Luxembourg (27-29 November 2024)

UCPM Efforts in Addressing Multi-Risk Cross-Border and Multi-country Challenges in the Western Balkans Trough Several Recent Initiatives

Kick-off Meeting UCPM-2024-KAPP, EC-DG ECHO, Brussels, Belgium (13 March 2025)

EMERGE Project Objectives

The Third Croatian Conference on Earthquake Engineering, Split, Croatia (19-22 March 2025)

EMERGE: Rapid Multi-Risk Needs Evaluation and Planning Platform

Enhancing School Safety: Expert Dialogue on Retrofitting and Disaster Risk Reduction Strategies, Venice, Italy (8-9 April 2025)

Building Resilient Societies Through Cross-Border and Multi-Country Cooperation: A Framework for Multi-Risk and Rapid Needs Assessment

Webinar: BORIS2 Methodology For Cross-Border Emergency Management Planning (12 June 2025)

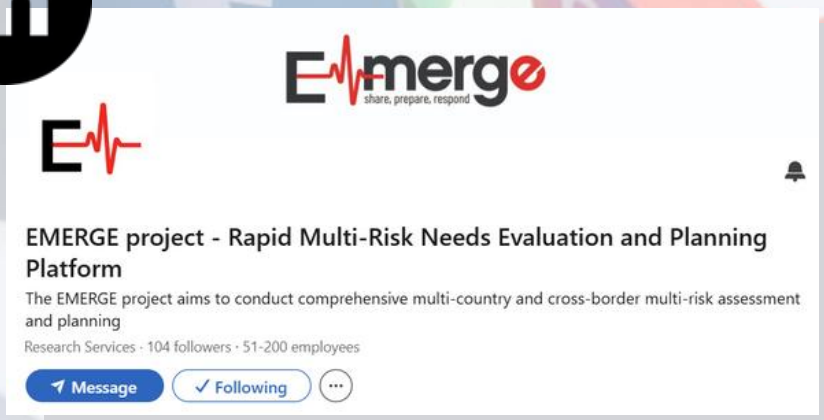
Rapid Multi-Risk Needs Evaluation and Planning Platform

Social Media

Follow us!



<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61571981360694>



<https://www.linkedin.com/company/merge-project-rapid-multi-risk-needs-evaluation-and-planning-platform/about/?viewAsMember=true>

05/05

For any inquiry, please contact:

Radmila Salic Makreska, Prof. Dr.
EMERGE Project Coordinator
r_salic@iziis.ukim.edu.mk