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## AGENDA

Venue [SQUARE Brussels](#), 3 Coudenberg, 1000 Brussels

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### 11 DEC - DAY 1 WORKSHOP

09.00 – 09.30	REGISTRATION (Panoramic Hall, entrance via 3 Coudenberg)
09.30 – 10.00	<p>Plenary Hall 400</p> <p>Teaser of the <i>Introduction to AI for disaster risk management</i> e-learning</p> <p><b>High-Level Opening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Welcome by the European Commission, DG for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO), Deputy Director-General <b>Hans Das</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Launch of the <i>AI in Emergency and Crisis Management</i> Rapid Evidence Review Report by the Scientific Advice Mechanism and the <i>Commission contribution to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Global Initiative</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>- Video Message from the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Secretary-General <b>Doreen Bogdan-Martin</b></li> <li>- Keynote by World Meteorological Organization (WMO), Secretary-General <b>Celeste Saulo</b></li> <li>- Introduction to the <i>Global Initiative &amp; setting the scene for the workshop</i> by the Chair of the Global Initiative, <b>Monique Kuglitsch</b></li> </ul>

10.00 – 11.30	<p>Plenary Hall 400</p> <p><b>Interactive High-Level Panel – Building capacity for AI for disaster preparedness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Moderator:</i> European Commission, DG ECHO, Deputy Director-General <b>Hans Das</b></li> <li>- European Commission, DG for Communications Networks, Content and Technology (DG CNECT), Director for Enabling and Emerging Technologies <b>Kilian Gross</b></li> <li>- European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF), Director-General Elect <b>Florian Pappenberger</b></li> <li>- Ecole nationale supérieure des officiers de sapeurs-pompiers (ENSOSP), Captain <b>Quentin Brot</b></li> <li>- WMO, Director for Science and Innovation <b>Véronique Bouchet</b></li> <li>- OroraTech, Team Lead Data Science <b>Lukas Liesenhoff</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Family picture at Plenary Hall 400</b></p>
11.30 – 12.00	COFFEE BREAK (Panoramic Hall with Expo Area)
12.00 – 13.00	<p>Plenary Hall 400 (+ breakout rooms 311, 312 later)</p> <p><b>Capacity Building Workshop – Hands-on session on AI tools on hydrometeorological hazards—from fires to floods</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Opening by Universal Postal Union (UPU), Deputy Director-General <b>Marjan Osvald</b></li> </ul> <p>This session bridges innovation and standardization through hands-on activities. After opening presentations from the UPU and Manteo-ai, participants will build an AI pipeline and explain its sequence. The following activity will focus on model development; through a series of hidden images and iterative clues about their content, we will discover the concept of feature classification. Participants will explore how AI-based classification supports disaster risk reduction (DRR) and discuss related challenges.</p> <p>Two parallel activities will then follow: One will guide participants in creating a random forest model and developing a decision tree capable of predicting disasters. The other will use a roleplay to explore AI applications during floods. The session will conclude with a review of how international standards ensure responsible and interoperable AI use.</p>
13.00 – 14.15	<p>LUNCH BREAK (Panoramic Hall, finger food is provided)</p> <p><b>13.40 – 14.10 Side-Event:</b> Introduction to the <a href="#"><i>AI in Emergency and Crisis Management</i></a> Rapid Evidence Review Report by the Scientific Advice Mechanism (breakout rooms 311, 312)</p>
14.15 – 16.30	<p>Plenary Hall 400 (+ breakout rooms 311, 312 later)</p> <p><b>Capacity Building Workshop – Hands-on session on AI tools on hydrometeorological hazards—from fires to floods (cont.)</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Closing by United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Chief of the Disaster Risk Reduction Unit <b>Soichiro Yasukawa</b></li> </ul>
16.30 – 17.00	COFFEE BREAK (Panoramic Hall with Expo Area)
17.00 – 18.00	<p>Plenary Hall 400 (+ breakout rooms 311, 312 later)</p> <p><b>Capacity Building Workshop – From theory and prototype to real-world action and capacity building</b></p> <p>This capacity-building workshop will bring participants together to explore how AI can move from promising concepts and prototypes toward practical, scalable use in disaster preparedness. Through hands-on group work and a brief LEGO® Serious Play® exercise, participants will work with three illustrative case studies at European, national and local levels, identifying key challenges, enablers, and concrete actions needed to advance AI adoption for disaster preparedness.</p>
18.00 – 18.30	<p>Plenary Hall 400</p> <p><b>Closing of Day 1 and way forward</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), Director of the Means of Implementation Division <b>Sophie de Coninck</b></li> <li>- European Commission, DG ECHO, Head of Unit <b>Erwan Marteil</b></li> </ul>
18.30 –	NETWORKING RECEPTION (Panoramic Hall, finger food is provided)

## 12 DEC - DAY 2 MEETING

08.30 – 09.30	REGISTRATION (Panoramic Hall, entrance via 3 Coudenberg)
09.30 – 09.45	<p>Plenary Hall 400</p> <p><b>Opening Plenary</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Opening Remarks: European Commission, DG ECHO, Deputy Head of Unit <b>Gaetano Vivo</b></li> <li>- Approval of Agenda</li> </ul>
09.45 – 10.00	<p>Plenary Hall 400</p> <p><b>Incoming Liaison Statement(s)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TBD</li> </ul>
10.00 – 10.15	COFFEE BREAK (Panoramic Hall with Expo Area)
10.15 – 10.45	<p>Plenary Hall 400</p> <p><b>Contributions – Questionnaires</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TBD</li> </ul>

10.45 – 12.30	Plenary Hall 400 <b>Contributions – Use Case Proposals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Global modelling and forecasting of storm surge hydrodynamics and coastal inundation risk</li> <li>- AI-Enhanced Digital Twin for Sea-Level Rise Simulation in Tonga</li> <li>- Projected Quantum Feature Map for Predicting North Atlantic Hurricane Rapid Intensification</li> <li>- ARTEMis (AleRT and impact-forecast standards for Emergency Management)</li> <li>- Horizon Europe – Project Sparrow (University of Cyprus)</li> <li>- Reliability-Aware Foundation Models for Earth Observation (University of Oxford and Frontier Development Labs)</li> </ul>
12.30 – 14.30	LUNCH BREAK (outside the venue)
14.30 – 15.00	Plenary Hall 400 <b>Contributions – TG Scope Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TG-Floods</li> <li>- TG-Coastal Hazards</li> <li>- TG-Hail and Wind</li> </ul>
15.00 – 16.00	Plenary Hall 400 <b>Contributions – Working Group Deliverables</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WG-Data</li> <li>- WG-Modeling</li> <li>- WG-Climate</li> <li>- WG-Communications</li> <li>- WG-EduMat</li> <li>- Summary of outcomes of the Digital Twin Webinar Series undertaken jointly by the WG-Data and WG-Modeling</li> </ul>
16.00 – 16.15	COFFEE BREAK (Panoramic Hall with Expo Area)
16.15 – 17.00	Plenary Hall 400 <b>Contributions – Working Group Deliverables</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WG-Proof of Concepts</li> <li>- WG-Glossary</li> <li>- WG-Climate</li> </ul>
17.00 – 17.30	Plenary Hall 400 <b>Outgoing Liaison Statements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Next steps</li> <li>- AOB</li> </ul>
17.00	<b>Close of the meeting</b>

**NOTE:** Agenda items may be taken up earlier than indicated, depending on the pace of the meeting.

## EXPO AREA

The following will be demoing their activities at the Panoramic Hall during breaks:

- European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF)
- Shark Robotics
- CREXDATA (Critical Action Planning over Extreme-Scale Data) Horizon Europe project
- DARE (Deployment And engagement of Resources and citizens for European Emergency Response) Horizon Europe project Horizon Europe project
- HURRICANE (Holistic UGV-based Resilient and Real-time Intelligence for Crisis And Natural Emergency) Horizon Europe project

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