



# ADAPT

Awareness of Disaster Prevention for  
vulnerable groups

## ADAPT – The project partners



### The coordinator: SAMARITAN INTERNATIONAL (SAM.I.)

- Network of 17 European Samaritan organisations

### Four long-standing not-for-profit civil protection actors

- Supported by extensive networks of over 100.000 local volunteers



### Research partner: University of Rome Tor Vergata

- Experienced in monitoring and survey /data analysis in civil protection sector





### Problem:

In disaster relief situations, aid for particularly vulnerable people (the elderly, people with physical impairments) pose special challenges to rescue workers.

- This could be alleviated if rescue workers could quickly receive information about the whereabouts and special needs of vulnerable people in case of emergency evacuations.
- For this, the aid of the local communities in disaster risk areas is necessary to enable them to strengthen their resilience.



- Improve aid for
  - elderly people and
  - people with disabilitiesin emergency disaster situations such as evacuations due to flood or earthquakes, focus: typical disaster risk areas
  
- Develop and implement an innovative system to integrate vulnerable people in risk management mechanisms (through local networks, volunteers, opt-in registration at the same time as registering for a social service)

## ADAPT – Objectives II



- Restructure existing information (formal and informal) to make it usable in civil protection emergencies
- Identify European best practices in the involvement of vulnerable people and stakeholders in the development of emergency plans



- Raise public awareness in matters of civil protection, complementary to other EU efforts in capacity building, in which some of the project partners are involved.

### Making and keeping information usable!

Information exists!

- Formal information: People have registered for social services such as municipal or state aid, meals on wheels, home emergency calls
- Informal information: local communities, local volunteers, friends, neighbours, relatives





Making and keeping information usable

### **Two-tier approach to make such information usable for disaster relief**

1. Technical side: Aggregation of/Access to formal data and complementation by structuring informal information in a database
  - Issues: technical solution, data protection and data security, opt-in procedure
2. Administration: Community-based management approach!
  - Worked out with local communities and stakeholders (action groups), to empower them to increase their resilience.



## ADAPT – Tentative meeting schedule



Working kick-off meeting (DE)	End of January 2015
Steering Group meeting (DE)	April 2015
1st round of local workshops (local)	April-June 2015
1st international workshop (IT)	July 2015
2nd round of local workshops (local)	November-December 2015
2nd international workshop (IT)	January 2016
3rd international workshop (DK)	March 2016
4th international workshop (IT)	June 2016
Final conference (DE)	November 2016



## ADAPT – Central Follow-up points



The community-based management process will be designed with a focus on autonomous continuation by the local action groups. Transfer of results will be facilitated.

- Documentation and source code of database solution will be made available to stakeholders in other municipalities, as well as contact information for local action groups - in case additional communities wish to replicate results on their own.
- A follow-up project on creating a certified process of transferring/implementing the results in other communities will be considered

## ADAPT – Administrative Overview & Main Deliverables



**Grant Agreement:**  
ECHO/SUB/2014/696863

**Project duration:**  
24 months  
(January 2015- December 2016)

**Total eligible cost:** EUR 473.073  
**EC contribution:** EUR 354.801  
(75%)

<b>Survey report</b>	<b>31/03/2015</b>
First progress report	01/06/2015
Second progress report	15/01/2016
<b>Database &amp; Database manual</b>	<b>30/04/2016</b>
Third progress report	01/12/2016
Mid-Term evaluation report	01/01/2016
<b>Concept for community-based management process</b>	<b>30/06/2016</b>
Final evaluation report	31/12/2016