



CIVIL PROTECTION INFORMATION DAY 2022

Prevention and Preparedness Programme



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- **Track 1: Single Country projects**

- Grant with a National CP authority
- Entities having a legal/capital link with NCP can be **affiliated entities**
- Technical assistance for disaster risk management to NCP authorities of Member/Participating States
 - (i) investments
 - (ii) strategies and plans
- Invitation to submit applications: tbc

- **Track 2: Cross-border projects**

- Multi-beneficiary grant to a consortium of cross-border entities
- Public and Private entities, International Organisations
- Member/Participating States, Neighbourhood and IPA countries
- Projects on cross-border risk prevention and preparedness, marine pollution
- Open Call for proposals: published (10 March)

Call for proposals for Prevention and Preparedness Projects on Civil Protection and Marine Pollution (UCPM-2022-PP)

UCPM Multi-annual Work Programme 2021-2024 (Commission implementing decision C(2022) 961 final: action 2.1.1 - Multi-country prevention and preparedness projects)

General objective:

to strengthen the cooperation among the UCPM countries and between the UCPM and third countries for preventing and preparing for natural and man-made disasters including marine pollution at sea and on shore.

Call conditions (UCPM-2022-PP)

- Single topic: Cross-border risks and marine pollution
- Four priorities: 1. Risk Assessments, 2. Early Warning Systems, 3. Awareness Raising, 4. Marine (and coastal) pollution
- Budget (indicative) overall EUR 7 000 000: for internal action EUR 5 000 000, external action EUR 2 000 000
- Max EU co-funding per project: internal action EUR 1 000 000, external action EUR 500 000
- Max EU contribution: 85% of total eligible costs
- Project duration: up to 24 months
- For Internal and External actions: recommended consortia < 6 entities
- New this year: pilot for common project level indicators

Timeframe (indicative) - UCPCM-2022-PP

- Call publication: 10 March 2022
- Submission deadline: **24 May 2022 at 17:00 CET (Brussels)**
- Evaluation (indicative): May – September 2022
- Information to applicants (indicative): end-September 2022
- Grant Agreement signature (indicative): November / December 2022
- Start date of projects: between 1 January 2023 and 1 April 2023

Scope – Cross-border risks

Priority 1: Risk assessments

- Cross-border risk assessments for identified risks
- Joint data/information-sharing tools or platforms
- Network of competent authorities at national and sub-national level for specific risks
- Cross-border risk management plans or action plans for one or more risks

Priority 2: Early warning systems

- Early warning system(s) for identified natural or man-made disaster risks
- Better use and promotion of cross-border early warning and information systems

Priority 3: Awareness raising

- Increased evidence-based public awareness of and preparedness for disasters
- Stronger capabilities and understanding of disaster risk among specific end-users/general public
- Establish networks of competent authorities at national and/or sub-national levels
- Better exchange of good practices and knowledge in prevention and preparedness

Target	UCPM Member/Participating States, IPA, Neighbourhood			
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Specific objectives / Priorities (choose 1)	Risk assessments	Early Warning Systems	Risk awareness	Marine pollution
Outcomes (choose max. 2)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cross-border risk assessments for identified cross-border risks are developed; 2. Joint data/information-sharing tools or platforms are established; 3. A network of competent authorities at national and sub-national level for specific risks is established; 4. Cross-border risk management plans or action plans for one or more risks (identified in a cross-border risk assessment) are developed. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Early warning system(s) for identified natural or man-made disaster risks are developed or improved 2. The use of cross-border early warning and information systems is enhanced and promoted 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evidence-based public awareness of and preparedness for disasters is increased 2. Capabilities and understanding of disaster risk among specific end-users or the general public are strengthened 3. Networks of competent authorities at national and/or sub-national levels are established 4. Exchange of good practices and knowledge in the field of prevention and preparedness is enhanced 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Optimised prevention and preparedness for oil and hazardous and noxious substances (HNS) marine pollution 2. Improvement of the effectiveness of surveillance, detection, drift modelling and recovery operations of various pollutants, including floating objects 3. Enhanced prevention and preparedness to battery caused fires on board
Outputs (examples)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hazard scenarios - Agreements - Methodologies - Maps - Etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Methodologies - User manuals - Procedures - Hazard maps - Etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Media campaigns - Open source platforms - Training modules - Work shops - Etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Innovative systems - Guidelines - Tools - Training - Exercises - Etc.

Priority 4: Marine pollution

Context and challenges:

Aim: to enhance detection and response capacity for marine and coastal pollution

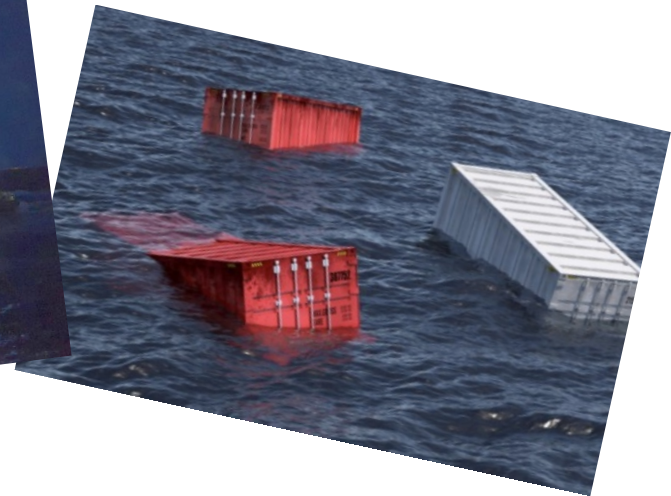
- strategies and action plans of the European Regional Sea Conventions
- recent incidents



Bonn Agreement
Accord de Bonn



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Scope

- effectiveness of ***surveillance, detection, drift modelling and response techniques*** of various pollutants, including ***floating objects***
- prevention and preparedness for ***battery caused fires on board***
- use of ***drones in*** hazardous and noxious substances ***(HNS) incidents***
- ***multi-sectoral*** training and contingency planning
- a framework for ***holistic/integrated management*** of marine pollution incidents for coordinated response operations at sea and on shore

→ ***Innovative systems, tools, training, contingency planning and small-scale exercises***

Tips

- Clearly elaborate **why, what, how and for who** is the proposed action, and what is the **expected impact**
- Substantiate claims of national/regional/European uptake of the results by **stakeholders involved** in the action and **demonstrated support**
- Check regional strategies and action plans - they are on line
- Get in touch with Regional Agreement secretariats for:
 - Ongoing work in the area of a planned project proposal
 - Possible guidance on established gaps and needs
 - Support letter

Eligibility



Eligible countries

- EU Member States, UCPM Participating States, Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA) beneficiary countries not in the UCPM; European neighbourhood countries

Consortium composition:

- Internal actions: entities from 2+ MS/PS; Int Org can be consortium member
- External actions: 2+ eligible countries, at least one Neighborhood and/or IPA non PS which is primary beneficiary of the action; Int Org can be consortium member
- External actions: Neighborhood or IPA country can be coordinator only if National Public Authority
- Under Priorities 1, 2 and 3: consortia with at least 2 entities from 2 different eligible countries sharing a border

Geographic location:

- Activities taking place in the eligible countries

Admissibility



- Submit electronically via the Funding & tenders portal
- Use the templates on the portal (mandatory)
- Include annexes (detailed budget, letters of support, CVs, annual activity reports)
- Letter of Support from the competent national civil protection authority (or maritime authority) of each country which will benefit directly from the action
- Max. 50 pages (beyond, your proposal will not be read/assessed)
- Double check that you comply with conditions (system will not always block you)
- Don't wait until the end to submit.

Tip: Follow the FAQ section on the F&T portal

Award criteria 1/3

Relevance	
Purpose and objectives	Max 30/100 pts.
Geographic focus	
Clarity, consistency, technical soundness	
Replicability of results	
Development of mutual trust and cross-border cooperation	
EU added value	

Relevance - tips

Need-based

- Show how your project idea fulfils a real need (gap in tools, procedures, etc.) and fits into the national/regional risk assessment/strategy
- Provide evidence/references to the data that allows to identify the need

Consortium

- Targeted composition, <6 entities
- Consider carefully added value of each partner
- Efficiency
- Effective and agile coordination
- Working arrangement discussed/agreed at project conception stage
- Project activities should take place in one of the consortium or associated entities' countries

End-user focus

- Allow sufficient time to consult them when preparing a proposal
- Consider including them in the consortium and/or project steering committee
- Define and explain clearly who they are
- Formal agreement to adopt project outputs
- Ensure a 'stable' project team (staff vs. short term personnel)

WHO will benefit from the action

WHAT is required and **WHY**/ what change the project would make, and

HOW will the uptake of the project results will be implemented to achieve that change

Award criteria 2/3

Quality	
Implementation and management of the project	Max 40/100 pts.
Cost effectiveness	
Project team and cooperation	

Quality - tips

Technical resources

- Project team/consortium brings the right mix of skills/technical knowledge needed to implement the action
- Role and contribution of each partner/affiliated entity is clear

Indicators

- Clear and measurable both at outcome and output level

Budget

- Balanced and well distributed among the components
- Most financial resources for developing and sharing knowledge

Award criteria 3/3

Impact	
Impact and scalability	Max 30/100 pts.
Sustainability of outcomes	
Dissemination of results	

Impact - tips

Context and novelty

- Check past and ongoing projects to avoid duplication and to take use of past results/ experience/contacts
- Demonstrate if the project supports an on-going process/need or if responding to a new challenge/pilot new idea
- Get in touch with the consortia members of the past related projects

National Authorities / Regional Sea Conventions

- Ask for support letters at early stage of the proposal development: there may be an internal processes, possible interest to participate or modification suggestions

Creativity, flexibility and versatility

- Be creative and daring in suggested solutions and approaches
- Will the project result in a new standard in the sector/field?

UCPM-2022-PP – pass scores

Award criteria	Min pass score	Max. score
Relevance	15	30
Quality	20	40
Impact	15	30
Overall (pass) scores	65	100

- Maximum points: 100 points.
- Individual thresholds per criterion: 15/30 and 20/40 points.
- Overall threshold: 65 points.



Thank you

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Prevention and preparedness projects 2014-2021



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- **Track 1** (2019-2021): 22 projects awarded for a total amount of EUR 8.4 million: 7 projects focus on Prevention (EUR 2.8 million) and 15 on Preparedness (EUR 5.7 million); average grant in the first year was EUR 138 000 (max. grant EUR 500 000), which increased to EUR 452 000 in 2020-2021.
- **Track 2** (since 2014): 141 projects awarded for a total amount of 71 million EUR: 70 projects focus on Prevention (EUR 34.1 million) and 71 on Preparedness (EUR 36.9 million); average grant increased from EUR 481 000 in the 2014-2017 period to EUR 601 000 in 2018-2020, and again decreased to EUR 465 000 in 2021.