

Summary Working Group 3 Developing an Efficient Community Prevention Framework

> **EU Disaster Prevention Workshop** 27-29 July 2009, Stockholm



Working Group 3

Main aim: Identify issues of substance for which there is interest for further work at Community level (i.e., main constitutive elements of a Community framework)

- 24 delegates (12 MS+NO+Cion+SGC)
- 3 presentations
 (1 multi-hazard approach; 2 sectoral approaches - Floods/Seveso Directive)



Speaker 1 - Maaike van Tuyll

Risk inventory and assessment, a national strategy developed as a prevention preparation policy

- All-hazard approach: NL Safety and Security Strategy
- Three methods of analysis: short and medium-term analysis (look at the obvious) and long term analysis (strategic foresight)
- Methods aim at preventing societal disruption and be better prepared for crisis



Speaker 2 - Barbro Näslund-Landemark

Implementing the EU flood directive, intentions & reflections

- Sectoral approach: SE implementation of Floods Directive
- Role of National Agencies vs role of Local Municipalities
- SE example: MSB give the municipalities risk analysis and risk assessments so that municipalities could use them as a basis for their decisions



Speaker 3 - Bastien Affeltranger

Implementing the Seveso Directive

- Sectoral approach: FR implementation of Seveso Directive - Land-use planning as a tool for disaster mitigation
- Land use planning comprises many different perspectives (e.g., technical, institutional, governance...) therefore it is very important to involve relevant actors
- Further work in EU: more comparable studies, sharing good practice



Structure for discussion

- Basis: questions in the issue paper
- Two additional questions: issues of substance for EU action; added value of EU initiatives
- Taking into consideration existing EU legislation

- Need for common grounds for risk analysis, assessments, mapping
- Need for EU instruments; financing, projects
- Need for EU platform for further exchange of views and knowledge



The overall goal of a Community disaster prevention framework should be to support the MS on their responsability of...

- Preventing disasters from happening
- Reducting the consequences and minimising the impact of disasters





A Community disaster prevention framework should...

- Avoid duplications
- Be process-oriented with flexibility for the MS
- Build on existing knowledge and systems
- Build on existing horizontal and sector-based measures





Steps that could be considered in a Community disaster prevention framework (EU-added value):

- Hazard/risk identification
- Hazard/risk analysis
- Impact analysis
- Risk assessment
- Scenarios/risk management
- Risk matrix





Multi-hazard vs sector-specific approach...

 A multi-hazard approach may be more appropriate

 Multi-hazard approach could be complemented with prevention measures on sectoral disasters





Issues of substance for further EU action

- Support and encourage national initiatives in order to improve preventive measures
- Take ongoing and existing initiatives into account
- Support and encourage exchange of information, knowledge and best practices (e.g., exchange of experts)



Issues of substance for further EU action

- Develop non-binding guidlines
- Encourage regional cooperation (e.g., risk mapping) for cross-border issues
- Need for regular evaluation (including possible peer review process)



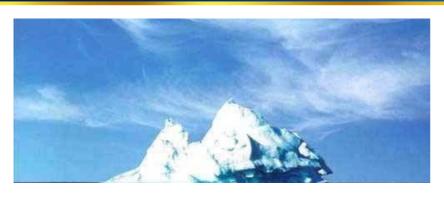
Final Remark

A framework is a basic conceptual structure used to solve or address complex issues





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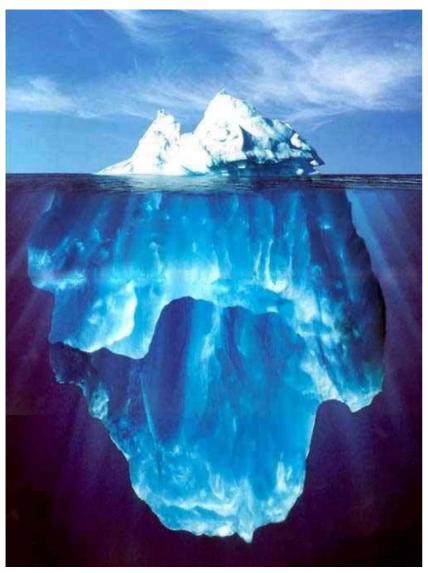


In a big picture, sometimes we forget the most important...



Final Remark

Reaction



Quite often, the most important things are the ones we are not able to see!



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