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# PRESS RELEASE

CITIZEN EMPOWERMENT AND READYNESS, MONITORING OF DISASTERS, CLIMATE CHANGES AND CRISIS IMPACTS: THE APP SIGNALERT NOW AVAILABLE IN SPANISH FOR #COP21

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Forest fires in Indonesia, Rockfall after earthquake in Nepal, Flash floods in the French Riviera are now being reported by users of the free crowdmapping smartphone app SIGNALERT. The organized descriptions of the events using the App are a much easier and reliable information to understand and assess the situations on the field than messages and pictures send through classical social medias which convey uncertainties and fake information, or are not always geocoded, making these data sometime difficult to interpret and validate.

The SIGNALERT free smartphone app for disasters and crisis crowdmapping is enlarging its users and it has become an important network worldwide. In 2015, the app was extended to **Cyclones, hurricanes and typhoons** impact description, completing the 6 others types of phenomenon's (floods, flash floods, wild fires, avalanches, snow falls, rock falls).

**A Spanish version of the App is released during COP21** and (that) makes the app more accessible to the Latin-American countries and Spain, completing the existing English and French languages of the previous version.

**New tools for you own security or to create local alert sharing network of users**

The App is now offering a choice of emergency numbers worldwide and links to web site of national or international organizations forecasting or monitoring natural phenomenon's.



Travelling is becoming more risky with the increased climate extreme events, violence, pollution, which can be now encountered in areas still quite and safe a few years ago, SIGNALERT will introduce man-made disasters and crisis in a new version to be released early in 2016.

A **backpack emergency card** is proposed as a pdf form and can be filled off-line, printed and brought in your wallet during your trips, providing basic info's on how to assist you in case you would be hurt, wounded during a disaster. [The Backpack emergency card can be downloaded here.](#)

**Local organized network of users** can share and view the alerts about a neighbor event on their smartphone if the event occurs in a distance of less than 10 km. Shared information consist in a map showing location, nature and intensity of the event that you do not necessarily see from you place. Early warning on the progression of a flood can be announced between witnesses along a river this way. The information can be also forwarded to common social networks (Twitter, facebook). Tutorial videos are progressively uploaded on Youtube to help groups forming such organized networks. The paid version of the App forward to you in real time, notifications on any alert sent by anyone around place of interest of your choice.

### Shared alerts on an OPEN portal

A larger view of the distribution of alerts is accessible for some regions or some major events on a web map interface. The alerts are visible with details of description during 2 months. Such a campaign dedicated to following forest fires and rock falls on vast regions of the world are accessible here: <http://bit.ly/1S5ZVD9>

SIGNALERT free smartphone app is available now in Appstore and Googleplay.

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## TRAVEL / BACKPACK EMERGENCY CARD

It is important to always have your key contact information with you both at home and when travelling, in case of an emergency. Complete the cards below. Keep them in your wallet and in your family's luggage.

Out Here

**BACKPACK EMERGENCY CARD**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Special needs, medical conditions, allergies, important information: \_\_\_\_\_

Blood Group: \_\_\_\_\_

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In Here

**My Emergency Contact**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Test Okay:  Yes  No

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Test Okay:  Yes  No

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Health/Travel Insurance: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical emergency section on SIGNALERT app

Out Here

**BACKPACK EMERGENCY CARD**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Special needs, medical conditions, allergies, important information: \_\_\_\_\_

Blood Group: \_\_\_\_\_

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In Here

**Parent/Guardian/Caregiver**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Test Okay:  Yes  No  Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_


Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Test Okay:  Yes  No  Employer: \_\_\_\_\_



Out of Town Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_


Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_


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