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## HFA Europe Region Report

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## HFA Europe Report

### Objective

To provide an update on achievements, advancements and key trends in the implementation of the HFA at national and regional levels in Europe from 2007-2009, as identified by the partners

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### WHY

#### The HFA Europe Report

- To provide “where we are” in relation to HFA priorities in Europe as a region, therefore share information with European NPs and HFA FPs and regional partners on current achievements and way forward.
- To share information on “where we are” globally – Publication available at Global Platform 16-19 June

## HFA Europe Report

### WHO Reported

The HFA Europe Report has been possible thanks to national and regional organizations that submitted their HFA Monitor Report to UNISDR:

These are:

Armenia, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Montenegro, Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, and the United Kingdom.

Council of Europe (EUR-OPA Major Hazard Agreement); EC DG Environment–Civil Protection Unit; EC DG Research; a network of European National Platforms; CEUDIP; DPPI SEE

**Report developed by:**

UNISDR, Council of Europe in collaboration with DKKV.

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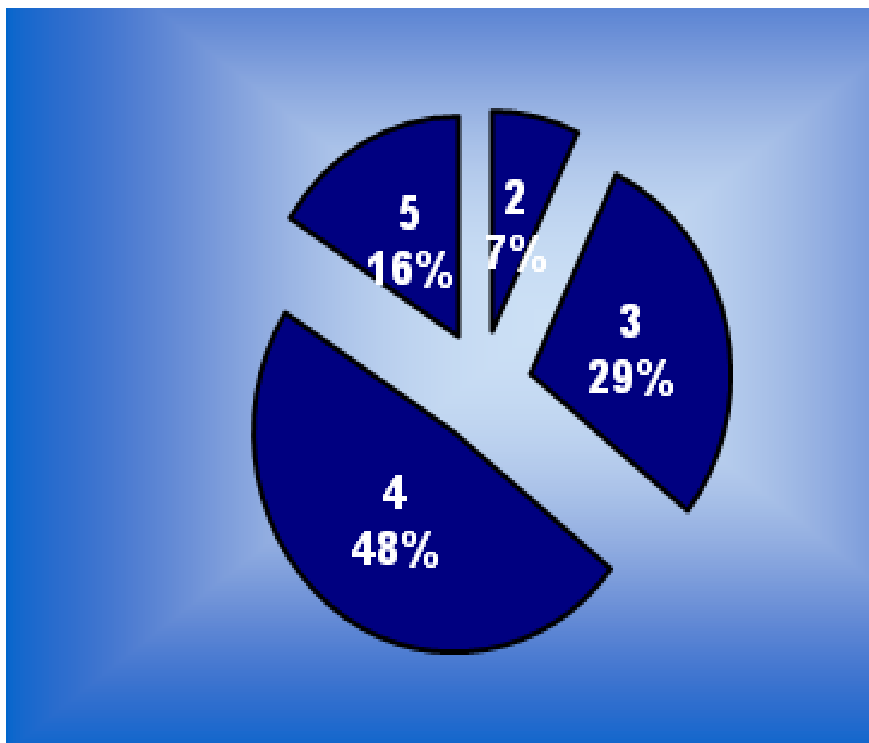
### HOW

HFA Europe report based on HFA monitor reports for Europe submitted online (through PreventionWeb) and Regional Organizations reports using the UNISDR reporting format.

- Europe Region 15 have submitted their HFA Report online, 1 submitted an HFA report not online and using a different reporting format and standard
- The report is based on the HFA indicators aggregated into 3 strategic goals and the 5 HFA priorities.

## Overview of Progress:

**Priority for Action 1:** Ensure that disaster risk reduction (DRR) is a national and a local priority with a strong institutional basis for implementation:



**2** Some progress, but without systematic policy and/or institutional commitment

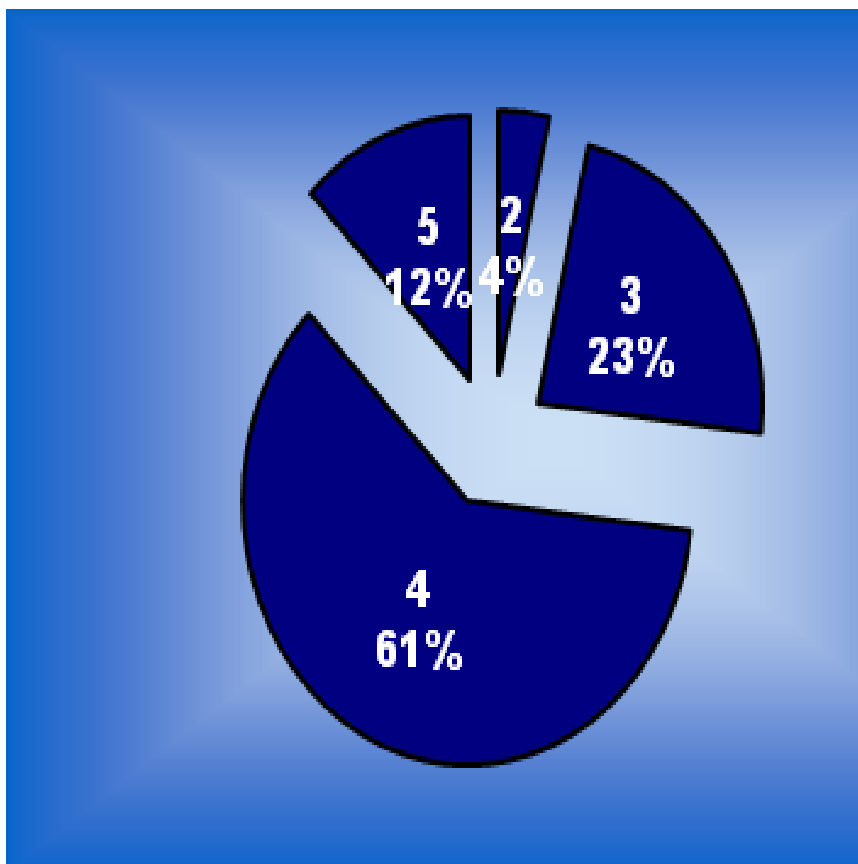
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## Overview of Progress:

**Priority for Action 2:** Identify, assess and monitor disaster risks and enhance early warning



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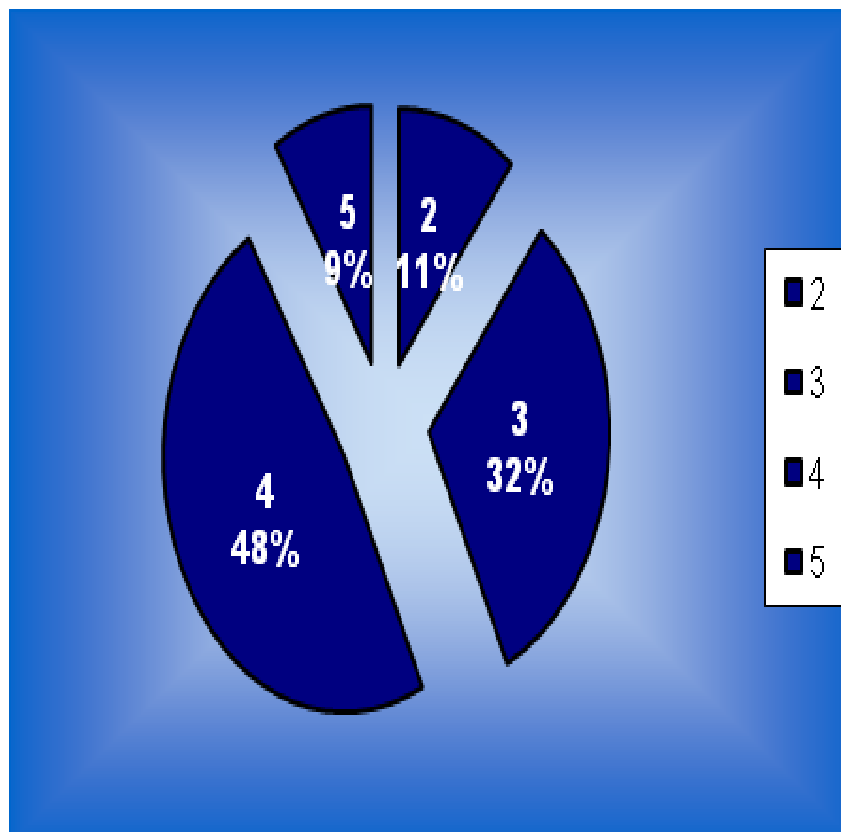
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## Overview of Progress:

**Priority for Action 3:** Use knowledge, innovation and education to build a culture of safety and resilience at all levels



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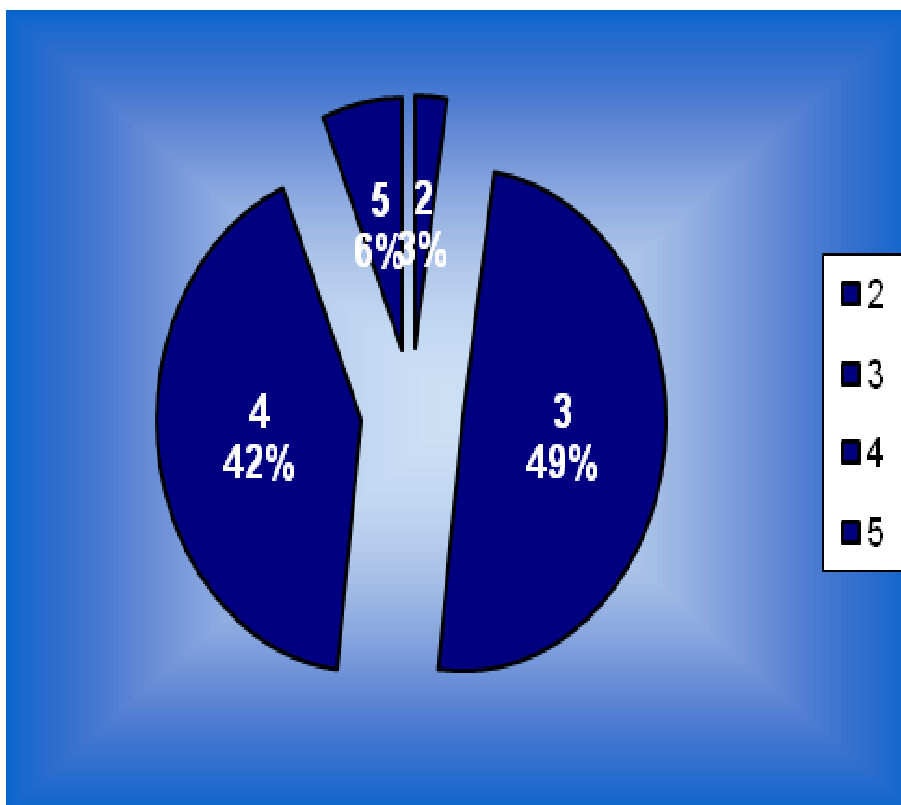
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### Priority for Action 4 Reduce the underlying risk factors



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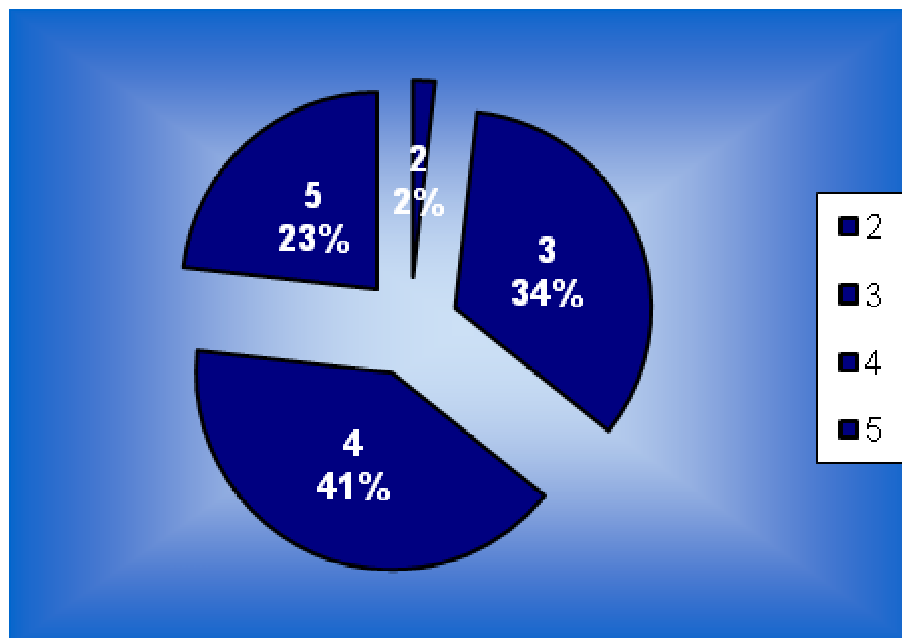
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## Overview of Progress:

**Priority for Action 5** Strengthen disaster preparedness for effective response at all levels



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## Recommendations at national levels

- ✓ DRR related to **legal provisions and national policies** needs to be further strengthened and integration with national development plans still missing in many cases;
- ✓ Cooperation at all levels needs, **both horizontally and vertically** needs to be further promoted (ag. Climate Change)
- ✓ Need for Governments to **strengthen National Platforms**;
- ✓ DRR **Capacity building** and empowerment at local and community level further promoted
- ✓ Further **improve knowledge** and information sharing on DRR at national level
- ✓ Promoting involvement of the **private sector** in DRR (insurance)
- ✓ Strengthening within national governmental agencies and ministries information flow (warnings) and **clear definition of roles and responsibilities** within governmental entities
- ✓ Linking DRR to **education** and school curricula
- ✓ Strengthening emergency **management systems** in terms of Management Info System

## Recommendations at regional levels

- ✓ Regional and subregional entities to further prioritize DRR in their agenda
- ✓ Cooperation funds spent not only in emergency but also in incorporating DRR in development programmes and projects
- ✓ Standardization of data collected at regional level and climate change risks included in the broader disaster risk reduction analysis
- ✓ Integration of DRR in national and regional sector strategies and programmes

## **NEXT STEPS**

**28 February: Final deadline for feedbacks on draft report to the UNISDR**

**Reported to be edited**

**Report published: sent to NPs and HFA focal points (May);**

**Available at the Global Platform 16-19 June 2009.**

# *Thank you*

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