

Some information to be considered before filling out the form:

- This survey will provide information to several outputs of Work Package 2. We collect good practices on two different topics: trainings and awareness raising actions. We want to collect outstanding training methods from each partner country for developing the competences of both professional and non-professional local actors. This will support the training development action (Activity 2.2) under WP2. We would also like to examine what good practices exist in each partner country and partner organisation to effectively develop climate awareness and proactive disaster management attitudes of local communities. This will help us on how to reach each and engage stakeholder effectively at our Communication and PR campaign under Activity 2.1
- As our project mainly focuses on local and regional level, when you fill out the survey, please try to focus on these levels.
- **We expect at least two good practices for each topic** (two for trainings and two for awareness raising). We suggest getting in contact with the other partner from your country, so you can avoid sending in the same good practices. We are expecting each GP in individual tables/files (altogether min. 4 filled out GP templates per partner).
- After filling out the survey please send it back to us (petra.csizmadia@bm.gov.hu; levente.hajtmann@bm.gov.hu) and fill out the contact info below, so we can reach out to the indicated person if we have any questions.
- **Deadline: 15th of September 2023**

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Name of org:	<i>VCDM</i>
1. Organisation in charge of the good practice	
Is your organisation the main institution in charge of this good	<u>Yes</u>

practice?	No
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2. General information	
Target Audience: <i>More than one option can be chosen.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Professionals, decisionmakers in public administration</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Local government administration</u> <input type="checkbox"/> NGO-s, Community-based organizations <input type="checkbox"/> Schools and educational institutions <input type="checkbox"/> Local businesses and industries <input type="checkbox"/> Vulnerable populations <input type="checkbox"/> Key stakeholders (a group selected according to some criteria, the target audience of a programme or project) <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify
Thematic objective of the good practice on...	
...training activities	...attitude shaping ¹
<input type="checkbox"/> Training, risks awareness: This objective focuses on providing training activities that increase awareness and understanding of risks. <input type="checkbox"/> Training, disaster prevention capacities: This objective emphasizes training activities that aim to enhance disaster prevention capacities. The focus is on building the skills, knowledge, and capabilities necessary to prevent or minimize the impact of disasters. <input type="checkbox"/> Training, disaster management capacities: This objective pertains to training activities that enhance disaster management capacities. The focus is on improving the ability to respond effectively and efficiently	

¹ The objective is to empower and engage local communities in building resilience to climate change and proactively managing disaster risks. By enhancing climate awareness and promoting proactive disaster management attitudes, communities can better understand and respond to the challenges posed by climate change and natural disasters. The objective encompasses various aspects such as education, capacity building, community engagement, and implementation of effective disaster management strategies.

to disasters when they occur. The training may include topics like emergency response planning, coordination mechanisms, incident command systems, search and rescue techniques, evacuation procedures, and post-disaster recovery and reconstruction strategies.		
Location of the practice	Country	Hungary
	Region	Vas County
	City	
Pictures:	1st picture: Mayors' Forum Torony - participants 2nd picture: Mayors' Forum Torony - speaker 3rd picture: Mayors' Forum Torony - visit to the bread factory 4th picture: Mayors' forum Csepreg - participants 5th picture: Mayors' forum Csepreg - tour of local risk locations, presentation of main tasks on site	
Title of practice:	Disaster prevention professional forum of mayors, clerks, and public safety officers	

3. Good practice detailed information	
Short summary of the practice:	<i>In order to deepen the disaster prevention knowledge of public administration leaders, including mayors and clerks we considered organizing professional trips and professional forums in addition to the known preparations. These professional forums ensure that the disaster prevention knowledge of mayors, clerks and public safety officers is kept up-to-date, as the agenda items announced each year affect their knowledge of disaster prevention, civil protection, fire protection, industrial safety, management tasks, current events in security policy, and the correct application of decisions and the order of operations in preset situations.</i>
Detailed information on the practice:	<p><i>The system of disaster preparedness is defined by a decree of the Minister of the Interior, according to which the purpose of disaster preparedness is to prevent disasters and emergencies, to prepare for the prevention and implementation of the tasks arising during the restoration, and to minimize the harmful consequences if they occur.</i></p> <p><i>The goal to be achieved by the preparations could perhaps be stated in the shortest way, that every Hungarian citizen has the right and duty to learn about the dangerous effects occurring in their place of residence, to develop their self-defense skills, and to learn the rules of conduct to be followed in the event of danger. This is especially true for heads of state administration, local government administration, law enforcement, including mayors.</i></p> <p><i>During the preparations, the clerks of settlements classified in the I. disaster prevention class must receive disaster prevention preparation at least once a year, and the settlements classified in the II. class at least once every two years. settlements classified in the disaster protection class, III. at least once per local government</i></p>

	<p><i>election cycle.</i></p> <p><i>Learning about local risk factors, the tasks of hazard prevention planning, the rules for managing settlement defense tasks and the use of settlement civil defense organizations should be prioritized in the curriculum. During the practical preparations, special attention must be paid to the rapid response to the most typical risks of the settlement or the given region. Increasing the ability to respond to local hazards is perhaps one of the most important objectives of the preparations.</i></p> <p><i>The forums consist of three main parts, the professional theoretical preparation, the practical program element and the cultural free program.</i></p>
Please indicate the budget allocated to the implementation of good practice?	<p><i>The annual budget varies, depending on the financial situation of the host settlement, but is usually HUF 150,000 - 200,000.</i></p>
Timescale (start/end date):	<p><i>1 day annually.</i></p>
Evidence of success (results achieved):	<p><i>The mayors' professional forum lived up to expectations. The number of participants was between 90 and 100 people at the previous events. Based on the feedbacks, it can be said that the participants can use the knowledge of the preparations in everyday life. The professional forum provides an opportunity to deal with tasks that need to be solved locally, as well as to contribute to the management of the risks identified in the hazard prevention plans.</i></p> <p><i>The combination of disaster prevention preparation with cultural and other programs resulted in the participants becoming aware of their obligations in connection with disaster prevention. The acquired professional knowledge serves the mayors well in their tasks related to disaster prevention.</i></p> <p><i>The organization of professional forums promotes higher-quality disaster prevention preparations. The experiences discussed in the framework of the informal exchange of information show that the preparation of the population in the settlements has moved in a positive direction, because the mayors and clerks make use of the best practices elsewhere.</i></p> <p><i>In addition to casual conversations, friendships are born, which provide a surplus for all parties involved, and mutual trust is built up between professionals in addition to collegiality.</i></p> <p><i>The benefit of the forums is that for the next 3 years, there is already a local government applying to host the event, who will continue to bear the costs associated with the organization. The mayors value it as a kind of investment, through which they can raise the management of their own settlement to a higher level.</i></p>
How were the results measured?	<p><i>The results can be measured in the more accurate performance of mandatory tasks arising from legislation. During the classification of settlements into the disaster protection class and the revisions of settlement hazard mitigation plans, public administration managers are characterized by a greater degree of independent work and precision thanks to the forums.</i></p>
Challenges encountered	<p><i>The most important challenges are that when the professional forums are held, the leaders of the settlements get a valid overview</i></p>

	<p>of the current tasks related to disaster prevention, and on the other hand, they are informed about the activities of the public safety officers under their control, on the one hand, in a round table discussion style, on the prevention of natural, civilizational and other disasters and emergency situations, as well as the occurrence about the tasks of minimizing the harmful consequences as much as possible.</p> <p>Another challenge is that when choosing the locations, the host should preferably be a settlement where some kind of damage occurred in the recent period, or where developments and investments were made that promoted the development of the self-rescue ability from a disaster prevention point of view, and we organized value-creating complex defense and security management practices in the locality .</p>
Potential transfer	<p>In addition to the well-known preparation methods, organizing professional trips and professional forums in all partner countries is highly suitable for sensitizing public administration managers, including mayors and clerks, to the topic in order to deepen their knowledge of disaster prevention. In our opinion, these professional forums can ensure that disaster prevention knowledge is kept up-to-date, since the items on the agenda that are announced year after year affect disaster prevention, civil protection, fire protection, industrial safety knowledge, managerial tasks, current events in security policy, as well as decisions in preset situations, the the correct application of operational order, and these current challenges are typical of all countries in Central Europe.</p>
What have you learned that you can use in future projects?	<p>In the future, the cooperating public administration leaders and the municipalities they represent will be able to get involved in disaster prevention projects as partners and/or stakeholders.</p>
Further information (optional):	<p>https://vas.katasztrofavedelem.hu/</p>

1st picture: Mayors' Forum Torony - participants



2nd picture: Mayors' Forum Torony - speaker



3rd picture: Mayors' Forum Torony - visit to the bread factory



4th picture: Mayors' forum Csepreg - participants



5th picture: Mayors' forum Csepreg - tour of local risk locations, presentation of main tasks on site

