

# South East Europe Urban Resilience Building Action Network

## Summary of the project



Severe floods in 2014-2015 that struck South East European countries have once again confirmed that disasters do not know of any borders and that disasters are often “shared”. However, even though similar disaster risks are present in all the project partner countries and territories and that there are some institutional similarities their respective Disaster Risk Management policies are all different.



## Learned experiences

- Overcoming the weaknesses from insufficient connectivity / cooperation and the needs for institutionalization of municipality level cooperation of DRR stakeholders (urban level of cities / municipalities / counties);
- Interconnectivity at regional/cross-border level i.e. replication modality of best practice examples and regional know-how sharing at the level of municipality specifically in the area of local DRR prevention initiatives.

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Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Albania, Kosovo, Montenegro and Croatia

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**Project objectives**

- Preventing the effects of urban disasters, protecting people, the environment and property by sharing and adapting best municipal level DRR connectivity model of institutionalized and capacity building cooperation at local and regional level that will feed into the work of respective national Civil Protection agencies thus promoting a common understanding of urban cross-border disaster risks and raising DRR public awareness;
- Capacity building workshops and online access to urban related DRR information which will strengthen local level DRR practitioners' knowledge on urban risks;
- Increasing public awareness of the final beneficiaries namely citizens of urban areas by the use of modern tools/ways of communication in order to increase general public knowledge on urban disaster risk prevention and mitigation.

**Final beneficiaries**

Disaster Management Authorities at the local level, the representatives of National Civil Protection agencies in SEE, government officials and experts from ministries and agencies dealing with disaster risk reduction, citizens, enterprises, businesses, organizations, research institutions and all other socio-economic sectors vulnerable to disasters caused by the impact of natural and manmade hazards.