# Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia
## 2023 HIGHLIGHTS

### 13 countries
equipped with INFORM subnational risk indexes to support decision-making on prevention, preparedness, and disaster response.

**Early Warnings for All initiative launched in Tajikistan**
with a Roadmap developed for its implementation until 2027.

### 24 countries
reported progress on Sendai Framework implementation for 2022 through the Sendai Framework Monitor, with **40 countries** reporting since 2015.

**EFDRR Action-Oriented Dialogues**
in Romania and Finland gathered 250+ participants from 30 countries to accelerate implementation of the EFDRR Roadmap 2021-2030 and preparations for the Regional Forum in 2024.

### 36 government officials
trained to report progress on the Sendai Framework Monitor and **22 trained** on collecting disaster loss and damage data in the DesInventar Sendai system.

**MCR2030 Partners’ Guide**
to support DRR strategy development at local levels and a **Brochure on MCR2030 Resilience Hubs**.

### 3 countries
in Central Asia initiated disaster loss databases.

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| **180+** Cities and municipalities building local level resilience as members of the MCR2030 initiative. |
| **12** Resilience Hubs supporting other MCR2030 cities and municipalities. |
| **400+** stakeholders benefitted from MCR2030 trainings, webinars, and peer exchanges. |
| **Local level DRR and resilience strategies, planning, and disability inclusion** supported in Astana (Kazakhstan), Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan), Chisinau (Moldova), and Dushanbe (Tajikistan). |
| **2** regional peer-to-peer learning exchanges organised between MCR2030 Resilience Hubs in Italy and Portugal and cities in Bosnia & Herzegovina, Moldova, Serbia and Ukraine. |
| **MCR2030 Risk Financing Roundtable** at EURESFO2023 supported cities on accessing finance for resilience projects. |
| **MCR2030 “Flames of Change” report and webinar** share best practices for tackling rising temperatures, urban heat and wildfire risks. |

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**2** EFDRR Action-Oriented Dialogues

**10** Major Groups and other Stakeholders (MGoS)
identified recommendations for enhancing an all-of-society approach in preparation for the Regional Forum in 2024.

**4th Regional Forum – Heads of Emergency Authorities of Central Asian countries**
supported by UNDRR, convened five Central Asian countries to review progress and accelerate implementation of the sub-regional Strategy for Development of Cooperation of Countries of Central Asia in Disaster Risk Reduction for 2022 – 2030.
UN inter agency coordination mechanisms

18 voluntary national reports developed as part of the Midterm Review of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030.

3 key drivers of risk identified in the Regional Assessment Report on Disaster Risk Reduction 2023: Europe and Central Asia.

2 regional reports

5 challenges recommendations

21 international experts providing scientific and technical support through the European Science and Technology Advisory Group.

100+ participants in the region introduced to UNDRR's DRR and climate change adaptation budget tagging and tracking methodology, with a desk study completed in the region.

1 UNDRR Regional Overview of National Platforms in Europe and Central Asia

2023 edition released, supporting the priority of the Spanish Presidency of the Council of the EU to strengthen disaster risk governance.

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1 IBC on Environment and Climate Change workplan supported through inputs to regional reports and organisation of events and webinars.

Joint workplans with UNDP and UNECE support enhanced disaster risk governance across the region.

17 UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks in the region supported by UNDRR.

5 briefings on DRR agenda held for UN Country Teams and Resident Coordinators in the region.

Engagement with the European Union

Supporting key EU policy processes, including the Spanish Presidency priority on strengthening Disaster Risk Management Governance through the Union Civil Protection Mechanism, and the adoption of Union Disaster Resilience Goals by the European Commission.

Contribution to flagship EU events, including the European Humanitarian Forum 2023, the EU Civil Protection Forum 2023 and the Disaster Risk Management Knowledge Centre Annual Seminar 2023. Support for mainstreaming DRR in EU's humanitarian policy to build resilience and reduce vulnerabilities in communities.

Joint workplans with European Commission DG ECHO and the European Committee of the Regions supporting enhanced policy engagement and accelerated Sendai Framework implementation in EU Member Countries, regions, and cities.

Communications & Media

12 monthly newsletters shared with over 4,000 followers.

DRR voices and articles from Europe and Central Asia published across undrr.org, mcr2030.undrr.org, preventionweb.net, and other outlets.

Awareness raising activities reach thousands of communities across the region on the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction including through dedicated events, workshops, webinars, emergency drills, social media campaigns and other awareness raising activities.

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