

## INVITATION

Dear Sir/Madam,

The IN-PREP project partners are pleased to invite you to our 2<sup>nd</sup> table-top exercise (TTX) in Savona, Italy on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

The 3-year **IN-PREP project**, funded by the European Commission's Horizon 2020 Programme, will build a system that can better prepare civil protection practitioners (*fire brigades, emergency medical services, police and civil protection agencies*) at all levels of command, in responding collaboratively to urgent natural and manmade Transboundary Crises. IN-PREP will do so by preparing civil protection actors to better **plan**, **train** and **collaborate** in a **transboundary crisis management** context.

A TTX is a low-stress discussion exercise gathering stakeholders from disaster management and resilience in one single location under the guidance and control of experienced staff. The TTX is designed to put crisis managers into a situation to develop or test existing plans and procedures to take decisions according to a proposed scenario. A workshop will take place following the TTX to discuss and evaluate the TTX outcomes.

The 2nd TTX objectives evolve around **Collaborative Response Training** and <u>dynamicity for building realistic scenarios</u> and the <u>multi-agency collaboration at strategic level in a national and transboundary</u> context are sought. The 2<sup>nd</sup> IN-PREP TTX will be based on a complex Civil Defence scenario involving a sea/land emergency and the actors span across all types of civil protection and defence agencies operating



at a national level. The scenario will evaluate existing procedures and test new tools to enhance the efficiency of international cooperation in disaster management with a specific focus on tools to share decisions in multi-agency TTXs, and evaluate their outcomes against quantitative criteria.

## **About IN-PREP**

Guided on one side by feedback from practitioners and on the other side by tools brought by technology partners IN-PREP will create a **Mixed Reality Preparedness Platform**; a novel IT-based tool for response planning and scenario building to integrate Command and Control and Information systems, Situational Awareness modules, and a Decision Support mechanism. In addition, IN-PREP will create a Cross-organisational Handbook of Transboundary Preparedness and Response Operations. The principal aim for both outputs is improving preparedness with realistic training in representative scenarios of disasters and causes of crises. This will upgrade coordination of response actions and support the work of those with this responsibility.

IN-PREP's success depends heavily on active engagement of the civil protection community! Therefore, if you are interested in joining please register online in the following link: <a href="https://www.in-prep.eu/savona-ttx/">https://www.in-prep.eu/savona-ttx/</a>. If you have any questions you can contact us: Marcello Marzoli <a href="marcello.marzoli@vigilfuoco.it">marcello.marzoli@vigilfuoco.it</a> and Evangelos Sdongos, <a href="marcello.sadongos@iccs.gr">evangelos.sdongos@iccs.gr</a>. We hope to hear back from you regarding your availability <a href="marcello.sadongos@iccs.gr">by Monday</a>, 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Kind regards, Dr. Angelos Amditis, IN-PREP Project Coordinator

<sup>1</sup> Invitees participating as observers during the scenario are required to sign a non-disclosure agreement, as the scenario remains of a confidential nature

