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13th Ministerial Session of the European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA)

From Advocacy to Action: building more disaster resilient societies in Europe and the Mediterranean region

Lisbon, Portugal 26 October 2016

Agenda

Chairperson:	Ms. Constança URBANO DE SOUSA Minister of Internal Affairs, Portugal
8:00 - 9: 00	Registration of participants
	OPENING CEREMONY
9:00 – 10:00	Welcome speeches by:
	 Ms. Constança URBANO DE SOUSA, host Minister Mr Eladio FERNANDEZ-GALIANO, Executive Secretary a.i. of the European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA) Mr Christos STYLIANIDES, European Commissioner, Humanitarian Aid & Crisis, Management

MORNING SESSION

Adoption of the agenda

New needs: learning from the refugees crisis

10:00 - 11:30

- ► Mr Fuat Oktay, Prime Ministry Undersecretary, Turkey: "Lessons Learned from the Refugee Crisis: The Turkish Experiences"
- Mr Robert KALIÑÁK, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, Slovak Republic
- Mr. Panagiotis KOUROUMPLIS, Minister of Interior and Administrative Reconstruction, Greece: "Protecting refugees and migrants along the route from reception to integration"
- ▶ Mr. Dominique LAMIOT, Chairman of the Governing Board, Council of Europe Development Bank: "CEB's response to emergency situations and to migrant and refugee flows"
- ▶ Mr Tony VARO, Chairman of the EUR-OPA Major hazards Committee of Permanent Correspondents, Monaco: "Migrants, issues and new challenge in disaster risk management"

Associated themes:

- Civil protection role in crisis situations
- Vulnerable groups specificities

Discussion and short interventions.

11:30 - 11:45

Adoption of the Recommendation on the Inclusion of Migrants, Asylum Seekers and Refugees in disaster preparedness and response

11:45- 12:15

Official photo Coffee break

New partnerships: sharing tasks among entities

12:15 - 13:30

- ▶ Mr Dan KERSCH, Minister of Interior, Luxemburg: "Good governance in the context of transboundary risk management"
- ► Mr Jadran PERINIC, Director of the National Protection and Rescue Directorate, Croatia: "Croatian National Platform: from policy to practice"
- ► Mr Tahar MELIZI, National Delegate for Major Hazards, Algeria: "The Algerian experience in seismic risk management"
- ▶ M. Alessandro BARELLI, Permanent Correspondent, San Marino: "Dealing with healthcare in disasters and emergency situations: the role of national institutions"
- Mr Taito VAINIO, Chair of the European Forum for Disaster Risk Reduction: "The crucial role of national platforms for disaster risk reduction: bringing together all stakeholders"

Associated themes:

- Risk governance enlarged to non-governmental actors
- International preparedness to trans-boundary events

Discussion and short interventions.

13:30 - 15:00

Lunch break

	AFTERNOON SESSION
15:00 – 16:00	New threats: preparing for unanticipated events
	 Mr Sergei KACHANOV, Deputy chief of Center for monitoring and forecasting natural and manmade disasters, Russian Federation: "The basic spheres of activity of EMERCOM of Russia on disaster risks management taking into account new challenges and threats" Mr Raed ARAFAT, Secretary of state and Head of Department for Emergency Situations from Ministry of Internal Affairs of Romania Ms. Paola ALBRITO, Director of European office of UNISDR: "Key actions to implement the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction in Europe and the Mediterranean" Associated themes:
	Emerging risks and slow-onset disastersImpact of cascading effects of disasters
	Discussion and short interventions.
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 17:45	New interactions: making people a resilience tool
	 M. José OLIVEIRA, Deputy Director of Emergency Planning Directorate, National Authority for Civil Protection, Portugal: "Resilient Communities – National Platform DDR and local level" Mr Predrag MARIC, Assistant Minister and Head of Sector for Emergency
	Management, Serbia: "The Importance of Implementing Disaster Risk Reduction Priorities in Building Resilient Societies"
	 Mr Nikolay NIKOLOV, Head of General Directorate Fire Safety and Civil Protection, Bulgaria: "The role of Public Awareness for Disaster Risk Reduction" Mr George GEROSIMOU, Senior Civil Defence Officer, Cyprus: "Building Safer Communities: Promote a culture of safety"
	 Associated themes: Modern technologies as awareness raising tools Population active involvement in risk reduction
	Discussion and short interventions.
17:45 – 18:00	Adoption of the Resolution "Building more disaster resilient societies in Europe and the Mediterranean region: Priorities for Action"
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18:00 - 18:30

CLOSING CEREMONY

Concluding remarks

- Ms. Constança URBANO DE SOUSA, host Minister
- Mr Eladio FERNANDEZ-GALIANO, Executive Secretary a.i. of the Europe and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA)