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Embedding nature-based solutions into disaster risk management to strengthen the resilience of Türkiye (Eco-DRR Türkiye)	Ministry of Interior Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD), Türkiye	745,015.00	03/04/2023	02/04/2025	The project will integrate ecosystem-based approaches into disaster risk management policies and strategies, and mainstream those approaches at local, regional and national levels. The project will provide a starting point for a paradigm shift in the disaster risk management system of Türkiye to an ecosystem-based approach to improve the knowledge base and facilitate sharing of good practices on the connection between the restoration of ecosystem and nature-based solutions and disaster prevention and preparedness. It will also generate evidence and knowledge for improved policy and practice on disaster prevention and preparedness planning, climate resilience and the green transition. The project also aims to contribute to new policies, strategies and long-term development and investment plans for anticipating and managing current and future risks.
Integrated interventions in disaster risk management (IIDRM)	Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) – Department for Emergency Situations (DSU), Romania	711,189.00	01/02/2023	31/01/2025	The project will develop a strategic framework for disaster risk management and an IT platform to strengthen capacities for search and rescue operations in the event of aviation incidents. The project will also enhance the response capacity of the Department for Emergency Situations for future risks and emergency situations.
Development of a Spanish national disaster loss database (IMPACTO)	Directorate-General for Civil Protection and Emergencies (DGPCE), Spain	686,359.80	01/05/2023	30/04/2025	The project will develop a national multi-hazard disaster loss database which will provide essential information for disaster risk decision-making based on the shared understanding that only what is measured can be known in depth and accordingly well managed. The result will contribute to enhanced knowledge on the impact of disasters at international level following the recommendation of the UN Sendai Framework as well as to improved institutional, technical and financial capacity for implementing and monitoring disaster prevention. Further, the project aims to create valuable links and connections with the EU Joint Research Centre disaster loss database.
Futureproof-IE	Office of Emergency Planning, Department of Defence, Ireland	59,401.60	01/03/2023	30/11/2023	The project will develop a new national risk assessment methodology, taking into account projections of emerging risks and new methods. This new national risk assessment methodology will comprise the assessment of traditional risk, emergent risk and existential global risk in order to produce a robust model for national strategic risk management. The project intends to already integrate the requirements of the pending EU Directive on the resilience of critical entities. The project builds on existing work in the field, and the partnership approach reflects the cross-sectoral nature of risk assessment.

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Developing Wildfire Prevention and Emergency Response Plans (F-PERPs) for Forest Villages to Enhance Climate Adaptation and Mitigation	General Directorate of Forestry (GDF), Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Türkiye	326,800.00	01/02/2023	30/04/2024	The project will strengthen the wildfire prevention and response capacity of the General Directorate of Forestry and other relevant agencies, including the Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD), by developing specific local solutions through a bottom-up approach, starting with forest villages. The results can be scaled up to the national and international levels and to cover other disasters in the future. The project expects to contribute to emission reductions essential for a green transition and to benefit from the indigenous knowledge of the villages, combining it with scientific/technical advances to develop specific good practices to enhance disaster resilience.
Feasibility study on the evaluation of the current situation and development of solutions for the introduction of the optimal model for the further provision of forest fire protection and fire-fighting functions in public and private forests in Latvia	State Fire and Rescue Service, Latvia	75,050.00	02/01/2023	01/07/2024	The project will deliver evidence-based recommendations for ensuring forest fire protection and fire-fighting functions in public and private forests in Latvia and also ensuring the fulfilment of the State Civil Protection Plan and civil protection tasks. The project focuses on obtaining research information on the current situation in the field of forest fire protection and firefighting in public and private forests, on the necessary investments to improve the material and technical base, including financial impact on the state budget and to find possible solutions for ensuring qualitative function provision.
Enhancing human and technical aspects of public warning and crisis communication	Ministry of the Interior, Croatia	686,090.00	01/01/2023	31/12/2024	The project will create a conceptual design for the modernisation of Croatia's public alert and warning system using sirens, with a view to prepare a larger project for financing under the EU Cohesion Policy funds. The present project consists of two elements: 1) strengthening the capacity of the 112 centres' operators by improving competences, and reviewing old and developing new plans and standard operating procedures; 2) ensuring a facilitated access to financing investments in disaster risk management through the development of a conceptual design for modernisation of the public alert and warning system using sirens. The conceptual design will cover the technical specifications for the upgrade and digitalisation of existing sirens and choosing locations for installation of new electronic sirens.

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Risk management for large-scale radiological and nuclear emergencies	Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority (STUK), Finland	101,963.50	01/01/2023	31/12/2024	The project will develop a risk management plan and risk management capabilities for large scale nuclear and radiological emergencies. In particular, the project will propose technical solutions for radiation measurements at different facilities and establish an expert network to analyse results. The requirements for the measurement plans will be specified together with relevant authorities and other stakeholders. The Finnish Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority intends to use the project outcomes in its own emergency preparedness and surveillance work.
Establishment of comprehensive civil protection and disaster management training for governmental institutions, civil protection commissions of municipalities, universities, SFRS Fire Safety and Civil Defence College, as well as establishing safety advice for the public	State Fire and Rescue Service, Latvia	209,000.00	02/01/2023	01/01/2025	The project will create a comprehensive civil protection and disaster management training programme for governmental institutions, local authorities and educational bodies. The programme will include training material focused on specific target groups and ensure a systematic and strategic training process on civil protection and disaster management issues. In addition, the project will develop safety advice for the public, in line with today's changing threat environment and taking into account the accessibility requirements for the different groups of the public.
Study on Development and Management of State Material Reserves and Resources of the Sector's Material and Technical Means for the Implementation of Disaster Management Measures and Overcoming Sectoral Hazards	State Fire and Rescue Service, Latvia	85,500.00	02/01/2023	01/01/2025	The project will make recommendations concerning the Latvian State's different material reserves that can be used in managing different disasters. The project will develop a strategic, systematic and methodological approach based on risk assessment as resources are developed on the basis of specific criteria for disaster management as well as for the needs of the industry. A study will be organised to investigate the existing system of planning and management of state material reserves and resources of the industry. The study will assess existing legislation and requirements, good practices, and evaluate other countries' experience and practices in disaster management.
Development of a Long-Term Wildfire Prevention Framework for Istanbul Forest Region – The Implementation Phase with an Emphasis on Green Growth	General Directorate of Forestry (GDF), Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Türkiye	324,900.00	01/02/2023	30/04/2024	The project will operationalise the previously developed Wildfire management strategy (from the 2020 project) with an Action Plan and strong capacity building components that also consider greenhouse gas emission mitigation options in wildfire prevention to support the Long-Term Climate Strategy of Türkiye. The project will also carry out awareness and dissemination activities in primary schools. The technical assessments will explore and put forward the linkage between forest fire management and emission reduction objectives of the country that will serve a green transition in forestry.

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Preparation of Risk Reduction Guide for Disasters Due to Climate Change in Cultural Heritage Sites of Turkey and A Model Implementation	Ministry of Interior, Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD), Türkiye	623 504	01/01/2023	31/12/2024	It is essential to protect cultural assets from disasters in order to ensure the necessary cooperation for the survival of cultural and natural values that have been damaged and destroyed due to various disasters. This project will prepare a directive for risk management and risk reduction in cultural assets specific to Türkiye as well as risk reduction actions and guidelines for the protection of historical structures and cultural resources. The project also plans to implement some disaster risk reduction practices in a pilot cultural heritage area.
National Risk Assessment in North Macedonia (NRA MK)	Protection and Rescue Directorate (PRD), North Macedonia	619,970.00	01/01/2023	31/12/2024	The project will develop a methodology for national risk assessment for natural disasters in North Macedonia. The disaster risk assessment will contain information and data on: types of risks which endanger citizens, material and cultural goods, as well as the environment, different scenarios about the occurrence of each risk individually, risk matrices, risk maps, the degree of threat posed by the identified risks, and analysis of resources available to participants of the rescue and protection system in North Macedonia.