

PACES: Preparedness for Appropriate Accommodation in Emergency Shelters

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### **Administrative overview**

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In Greek mythology, in Book Six of the Odyssey, Odysseus is shipwrecked on the coast of the island of Phaeacia. Nausica and her handmaidens go to the sea-shore to wash clothes. Awaken by their games, Odysseus emerges from the forest completely naked, scaring the servants away, and begs Nausica for aid. Nausica gives Odysseus some of the laundry to wear, and takes him to the edge of the town, offering him shelter and aid. [Odysseus and Nausica by Salvator Rosa, Italy, **Naples 1655**]





## **Background**

The Eastern Mediterranean is an area prone to seismic activity. Earthquakes denote a major natural hazard, resulting among others in loss of life. Hence large number of people must be evacuated, for their own safety, in a short period of time. Emergency shelters must be prepared for the needs of the population of the affected area. These needs may include among others coordination, communication and medical care. One of the main challenges during a crisis is the care for the population gathered in great numbers at specific areas, affected either directly or indirectly by the event. Experience from previous evacuation operations in Cyprus and Greece has shown that logistic procedures need improvement when the number of the evacuees is high, at the beginning. The affected population, including children and elderly people with disabilities, need appropriate accommodation and living conditions for a short period of time.





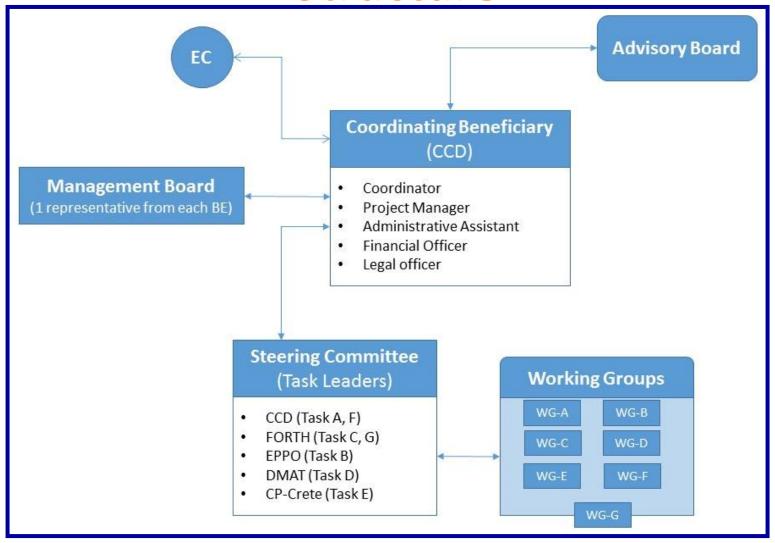
# **Objectives**

- Advance cross-border cooperation for direct response to natural disasters
- Increase of the participating states preparedness to cope from the consequences of earthquake accidents and mass evacuation
- Improve preparedness and enhance awareness of civil protection professionals and volunteers
- Increase of the participating states preparedness to offer proper accommodation after a disaster, including to people with disabilities
- Use and develop ICT tools to support emergency and temporary accommodation
- Assessment and evaluation methodology will be developed and tested





### **Structure**







# **Area of Activities**







### The PACES Consortium



Cyprus Civil Defence – (CCD) – Cyprus



Foundation for Research and Technology - (FORTH) - Greece



 Earthquake Planning and Protection Organization - (EPPO) - Greece



DMAT Consulting KG - Austria



Cyprus University of Technology (CUT) – Cyprus



Decentralised Administration of Crete, Civil Protection
 Directorate - (CP-Crete) - Greece



Department Protezione Civile (DPC-Italy) – Italy



Civil Protection Department (CPD-Malta) - Malta



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### **PACES Advisors**



Austria, Government of Styria



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# PACES Supporters/Collaborators/End Users European Commission



### Ελληνική Δημοκρατία Αποκεντρωμένη Διοίκηση Κρήτης















# **Project Tasks**

Task ID	Task Title	Task Leader	Strongly involved participants
Task A	T1: Project management and coordination	Panayiotis Liassides, CCD (CO)	BE1, BE2, BE3, BE5
Task B	T2: Seismic risk assessment and risk scenarios	Chrysa Gountromichou, EPPO, (BE2)	CO, BE4, BE5, BE6
Task C	T3: ICT tools	Vasilis Kontogiannis, FORTH (BE1)	CO, BE2, BE3, BE5, BE7, BE8
Task D	T4: National, Regional and International Cooperation	Alois Hirschmugl, DMAT (BE3)	CO, BE1, BE2, BE5, BE6, BE7
Task E	T5: Evaluation framework	Michalis Gorgoulis, CP- Crete (BE5)	CO, BE1, BE3, BE6, BE7
Task F	T6: Implementation (Training)	Panayiotis Liassides, CCD (CO)	All
Task G	T7: Dissemination and raising awareness	Angelina Kouroubali, FORTH (BE1)	All





# **Major Events**

Date	Event Name	Place
April 2016	Scenario workshop	Crete, Greece
June 2016	Basic Training	Malta
October 2016	<b>Table Top Exercise</b>	Italy
February 2017	Evaluation workshop / Refresher Training	Austria
June 2017	Small Exercise/Initial Evaluation	Cyprus
October 2017	Small Exercise/Initial Evaluation	Crete, Greece
December 2017	Final Conference	Cyprus



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### **Deliverables and Deadlines**

- A. Project Management and Coordination Reports
- (i) Partnership Agreement (3)
- (ii) 1st Progress Report (8)
- (iii) Midterm Progress Implementation Report (12)
- (iv) 2nd Progress Report (16)
- (v) Final Technical Implementation Report (27)
- B. Seismic risk assessments and risk scenarios
- (i) Seismic risk assessment for the three selected areas (10)
- (ii) Seismic scenarios focused on the operational preparedness and planning (12)
- (iii) A communication strategy for the seismic risk (18)
- C. ICT tools
- (i) The ICT tools to support emergency services (12)
- (ii) ICT tools use in "PACES": usage manuals (18)
- (iii) Evaluation of tools from ICT perspective (24)
- D. National, Regional and International Cooperation
- (i) Summary of already existing measures and procedures in the PS (5)
- (ii) Information campaign and training on behaviour in earthquake and mass evacuation situations, and especially how to act with disabled persons for the

- (iii) Introduction of new technologies to the relevant CP authorities at least in the 5 PS (20)
- (iv) Implementation / Adaptation of scenarios and measures in the field of earthquakes and mass evacuation in the preparedness plans. (24)
- E. Evaluation framework
- (i) Evaluation methodology (12)
- (ii) Evaluation of PACES interventions (24)
- F. Implementation
- (i) Training material (12)
- (ii) Table Top exercise script (Italian and English) (18)
- (iii) Small Exercises script (Greek and English) (24)
- G. Dissemination and raising awareness
- (i) Project Web site (2)
- (ii) Dissemination plans (3)
- (iii) Proceedings of the PACES workshops (15)
- (iv) Report of the targeted awareness and raising activities (24)
- (v) Report on intellectual property rights and exploitation (24)

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