

UScore2

City to city local level peer review on Disaster Risk Reduction

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Partners

Beneficiaries

Salford City Council (coordinator) (UK)

Department for Communities and Local Government(UK)

Municipality of Amadora (Portugal)

Portuguese National Authority for Civil Protection (Portugal)

Comune di Viggiano (Italy)

The United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction(Switzerland)

The University of Manchester (UK)

International Advisory Board

Belgium, France, Finland, Iceland, Sweden, South Africa



Funded by European Union
- Civil Protection

Project cost and duration

- 24 months project
- 01/01/17 – 31/12/18
- Total eligible cost €1,010,186
- EC grant €757,639

The context: DRR

- Last 10 years: a rising trend in natural and man-made disasters
- EU Civil Protection legislation advocates sharing best practice and helping each other to identify where additional effort is needed to reduce risks
- Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) 2015-2030 includes a global target to “substantially increase the number of countries with national and local DRR strategies by 2020”

UScore2 : Peer reviews

- Self-assessment tools are available to cities but peer reviews are currently only available at a national level
- Peer review of cities' civil protection mechanisms will deliver independent assessments supporting efforts to build local and national resilience
- Conducting rigorous city-to-city peer reviews is a challenge for practitioners and policy-makers who want to learn from best practice as this has not yet been assembled into an easy to use tool

UScore2 : Specific project objectives

1. To design a practical city-to-city peer review tool for measuring city resilience and resilience action planning
2. To apply the peer review tool to 3 EU cities to support DRR in those cities as well as refine the tool to enable it to be more broadly applicable.
3. To develop and apply an impact evaluation methodology to evaluate the peer review tool and gauge its impact on enhancing city resilience
4. To disseminate the peer review tool and impact evaluation methodology to ensure wide take-up

UScore2 : Objectives for the city-to-city peer review tool

- a. To ensure that the peer review tool reflects a comprehensive, all-of-society approach to DRR
- b. To identify data, information and evidence that is useful when conducting a city-to-city peer review
- c. To aid the implementation of the Sendai Framework at local and therefore national/international levels through alignment to local indicators developed in accordance with the Sendai Framework
- d. To ensure the peer review tool is useable by cities at all levels of maturity in DRR planning

UScore2 : deliverables and deadlines

32 deliverables including:

- Literature review on city resilience peer review framework 30/04/17
- Design and apply peer review tool to Viggiano, Salford and Amadora 31/07/18
- Design and apply impact evaluation methodology to Viggiano, Salford and Amadora 31/07/18
- Refine and publish final peer review tool and impact evaluation methodology 30/09/18
- 2 open masterclasses 31/12/18
- 6 conference/journal/newsletter articles 31/12/19
- ISO for city peer review tool 31/12/22

Major events

**Workshop:
design pilot
tool &
impact
assessment
Amadora,
May 17**

**Workshop:
review peer
review &
impact,
Salford,
Nov 17**

**Workshop:
finalise
peer review
tool &
impact
assessment
Geneva,
Sept 18**

**Peer review
Viggiano
summer 17**

**Peer review
Salford and
Amadora,
spring 18**

**Master
classes
Helsinki
and Paris,
autumn 18**

IAB teleconference #1

IAB teleconference #3

IAB teleconference #2

IAB teleconference #4

UScore2 : Follow up

- Peer review tool and impact assessment methodology available to EU member states and through UNISDR Making Cities Resilient Campaign
- Dedicated UScore2 website
- Outcomes shared through conferences, journals and newsletter articles
- ISO issued on standardised tool for city peer review