

Prevention, Preparedness and Response to natural and human-induced disasters in the Eastern Partnership countries – phase 4 (PPRD East 4)**Duration:** 01.11.2025 - 31.10.2029**Countries:**

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine

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CIMA Research Foundation (Italy), Fire and Rescue Corps of the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic (Slovakia), Italian Relief Corps of the Order of Malta

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PPRD East 4 represents the fourth phase of the EU's flagship programme supporting the Eastern Partnership countries in strengthening their Disaster Risk Management (DRM) systems and enhancing cooperation with the Union Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM). This phase builds on the substantial results achieved in PPRD East 3 and focuses on replicability, sustainability and national ownership, while advancing the approximation of partner countries to the EU *acquis communautaire* in civil protection and disaster risk management, in line with the EU Disaster Resilience Goals and the EU Preparedness Union Strategy.

Expected results:

1. Emergency preparedness plans and standardised operational procedures tested through simulation in pilot areas, with revitalised cross-border coordination; enhanced early warning strategies; institutionalised volunteerism and improved inter-agency coordination.
2. Peer exchanges and workshops foster mutual learning and regional cooperation through peer exchanges and workshops; participation in forums (Civil Protection and Humanitarian Forums).
3. Enhanced cross-border and sub-regional cooperation among Eastern Partnership countries, including transboundary risk assessment and response with the design and implementation of a regional full-scale exercise.