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# Strengthening cooperation in the disaster risk and crisis management sectors – Perspectives within Horizon 2020

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## **AS A REMINDER**

# **Security Research in Horizon2020**

- Maintains its mission driven character
- Supports EU internal and external security policies
- Supports the EU industry to be competitive
- **Strengthens the involvement of the end-users**
- Takes more into account the Societal Dimension
- Includes Cyber-Security





## Targeted users in the Disaster Risk / Crisis Management areas

Five categories are considered:

- 1. Policy-makers:** EC Policy DGs, Intergovernmental Agencies, Member States Ministries
- 2. Scientists:** Universities, Research Institutes, Research Units linked to Ministries or Industry sectors
- 3. Industry** (including SMEs): Many industry branches in the areas of defence, forensics, civil protection etc.
- 4. Operational units:** First responders, emergency services, police, civil protection units, military units, laboratories etc. + training centres, command control centres
- 5. General public:** NGOs, public at large, education (schools) and training



## Key objectives of the Community of Users

1. Ensuring that research programming (particularly H2020) takes account of practitioner's needs, thereby promoting research results that are relevant to them
2. Identifying the most promising tools and methods (including those developed in FP7 and H2020 projects) that have the potential to be taken up by practitioners
3. Supporting the competitiveness of EU industry by enhancing the market for research results
4. Ensuring that practitioners' expertise is available to policy makers, thereby facilitating the policy-making process
5. Facilitating the implementation of policy.



## Forum of information exchanges

**Biannual meetings**  
organised in Spring and Autumn  
Information on key findings and policy updates  
Panel discussions to Enhance dialogue among Different actors

**Objectives 1 to 5**

**Highlight of new projects and policy updates**  
Through annual reporting  
Complementing the Background Mapping Document (publication expected end of 2015)

**Objectives 2, 4**

## Improvement of synergies

**Regular survey**  
of projects from different calls to keep the information basis as complete as possible

**Objective 2**

**Bridging projects From different sources**  
In particular linking Demonstration / training components of H2020 projects with capacity-building

**Objectives 2, 4, 5**

**Exchange of views with policy-makers and stakeholders**  
through ad-hoc meetings on given themes to discuss possible synergies

**Objectives 1, 2**



## Identification of promising tools and technologies



**Establishing close ties**  
Between H2020 projects and their potential users from the very start of projects and interacting with different actors at regular intervals

**Objective 2**

## Better channeling information



**Bringing research outputs to their potential users**  
through briefing materials, formatted to address specific needs

**Objectives 1, 4, 5**

## Development of synergies



**Sectorial synergies**  
with close involvement of practitioners to improve transfer of research outputs from EU to national / regional levels

**Objective 2**



**Return of experiences**  
Through interactions with practitioners to get feedback about experiences in the Member States on implementing solutions

**Objective 4**



## Next steps

- **First phase (2015-2018)**: Development of Community of Users closely linked to EDEN and DRIVER, as well as with relevant projects enabling to strengthen links among different actors, in particular practitioners
- **On the longer term (2018 and beyond)**: Depending upon the development of the CoU, possible institutionalisation to ensure a sustainable coordination mechanism with close interactions with Member States



## Three panels

### **PANEL 1 - Involvement of users / experts networks in the CoU**

The discussion with focus on how to attract networks and involve them in the overall mechanism of transfer of info at different levels (EU, national, regional)? How to make them perennial in the context of a long term development of the initiative?

#### Panellists:

Janet BLATNY, FFI (NO) – representing national authorities views

Jean-Luc GALA, UCL (BE) – representing research/academic and operational views

Dennis DAVIS (UK), International Firefighter Association – representing first responder views

Mark MORRIS, Samui (UK / FR) – representing "science-policy interfacing" consultant views with focus on floods

Juha RAUTJARVI, Miktech (FIN) – representing SME views





## Three panels

**PANEL 2 - Use of social media, news ways to interact with users, including the public –  
Introduction by Jean Michel Dumaz (Pôles Risques)**

How to ensure that the information generated by the CoU will be openly accessible and interactive?

Panellists:

Hara CARACOSTAS, EOS – Representing views issued from POP-Alert project

Martin KROTTMAYER, Int. Red Cross



## Three panels

### **PANEL 3 - Standardisation needs and consultations of users – Introduction by Bruno Chenard (European Commission, DG HOME) and Alina Iatan (CEN/CENELEC)**

How to guarantee that standardisation needs are fit to policy needs and meet operational practices by e.g. first responders? How to interact with the stakeholders?

#### Panellists:

Agneta PLAMBOECK, FOI (SE) – Representing views issued from SLAM project

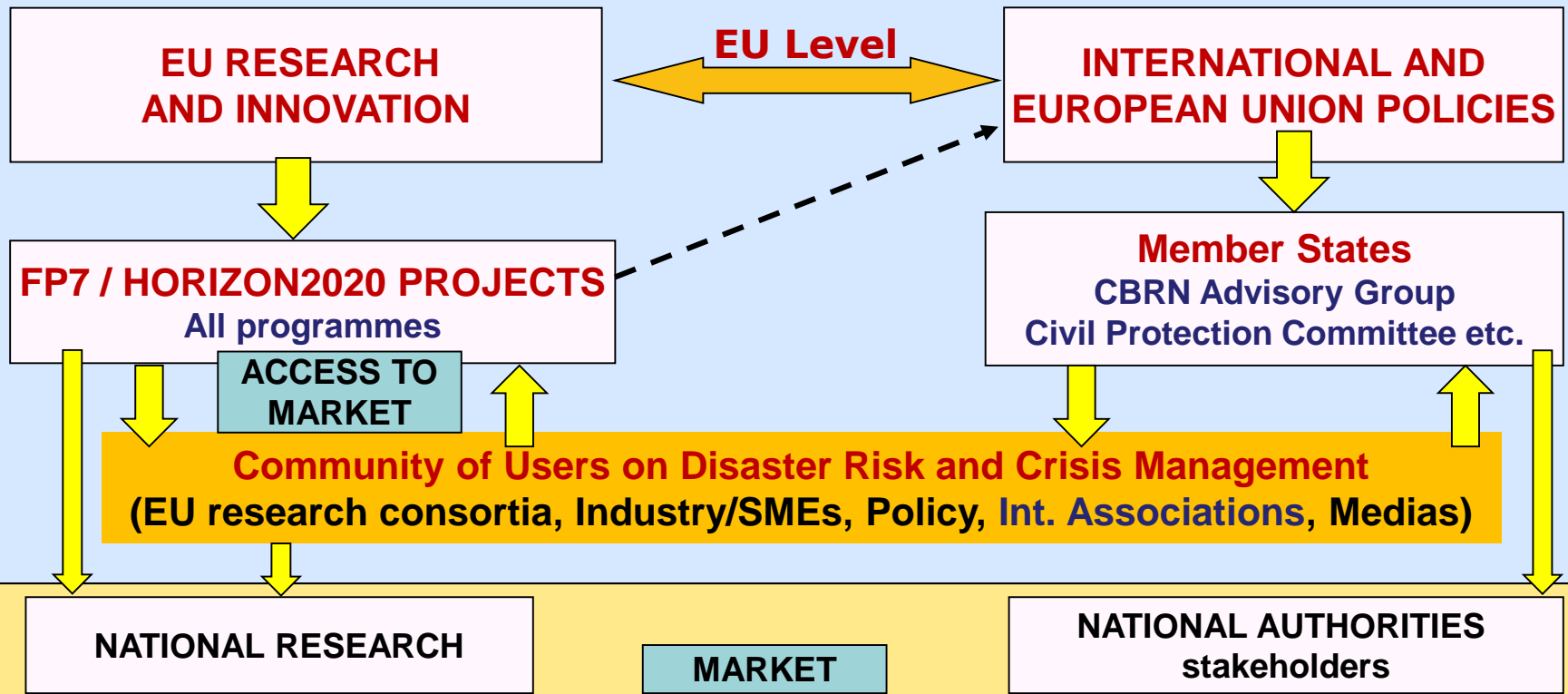
Tom FLYNN (Saadian Technol., IE) – Representing SME views

Eelco DYKSTRA (NL), CEN TC 391 – Representing CEN and community views

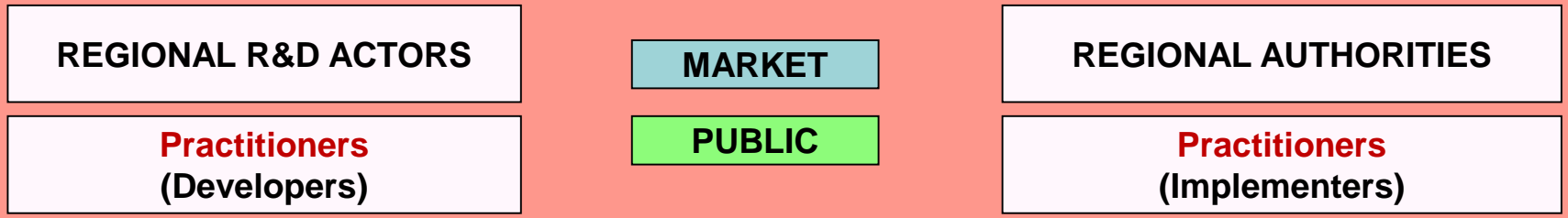
Michael LOESCHER, EU-VRI (DE) – Representing views focused on CBRN

Jean-François SULZER, Thales (INT) – Representing views focused on Crisis Management

# INVOLVING USERS / EXPERT NETWORKS



**Users:** nat. research org., industry, policy implementers, national authorities, medias



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