

# **ANNUAL SNAPSHOT 2019**

International Search and Rescue Advisory Group www.insarag.org

In 2019, the International Search and Rescue Advisory Group (INSARAG) network focused on:

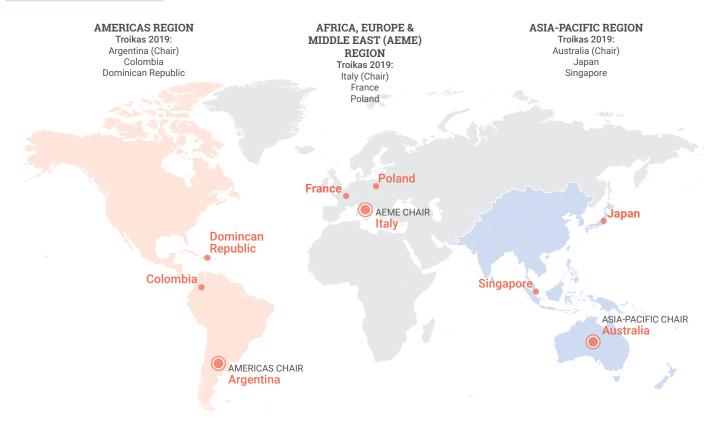
Exploring
flexible response
arrangements to stay
relevant.

Strengthening

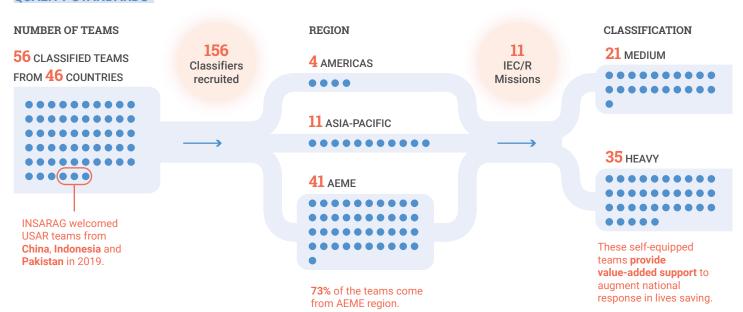
localization through advocacy
on the National Accreditation
Processes.

Extending the IEC to include Light Teams classification. First IEC light will be taking place in Switzerland in 2020.

# THE INSARAG NETWORK



# **QUALITY STANDARDS**



# DEVELOPMENTS AND FLEXIBLE RESPONSE

Whilst INSARAG Teams provide specialised Urban Search and Rescue services, flexibility in response operations across other search and rescue activities and even beyond, is vital in meeting emerging challenges. Three responses demonstrate this potential of the INSARAG network in responding to different emergencies:



Cyclone Idai Mozambique March



**Durrës Earthquake** Albania November



**Floods** Djibouti December

## WHAT HAPPENED IN 2019

**JANUARY 2019** 

**INSARAG External** Re-classification (IER) USAR.NL Denmark

**IM Working Group** Workshop Denmark

### **FEBRUARY**

ISG and Working Groups Meeting at the Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Week and Working Groups Switzerland

**USAR** Coordination "Train the Trainer Course" USA

# MARCH

**INSARAG External** Reclassification (IER) UAE

**IER** France

> **ERE Recce 1 Americas** & EXCON Course Cuba

### JUNE

**IER** Poland

**IER** 

Romania

**USAR Structural Engineering Course** 

**Guidelines Review Group** Meeting Singapore

**INSARAG** Meeting at International Humanitarian Assistance Mechanisms Argentina

UCC AEME Switzerland

### MAY

UCC

New Zealand

# APRIL

**INSARAG Teams Exe** China

**USAR** Coordination Course Italy

IER France

Romania Medium IER with Modex Bulgaria

### JULY

**USAR** Coordination Cell Course China

# **AUGUST**

Asia-Pacific **Regional Meeting** Australia

SIMEX Preparedness Workshop Cuba

### **SEPTEMBER**

IER Ukraine

ERE Cuba

**Basic Data Collection Course** Hungary

**Data Collection Course** UCC Hungary

Capacity Assessment Mission India

### DECEMBER

**IEC** 

Indonesia

**INSARAG UCC Course** France

**ERE** Thailand

### **NOVEMBER**

**ERE** Azerbaijan

**Americas Regional** Meeting Argentina

### OCTOBER

IER and IEC China

AEME UCC ToT Russian Federation

**Team Leaders Meeting & Working Groups** Chile

**Technical Support Group** NAP in the Americas Chile

**AEME Regional Meeting** Italy

IEC Pakistan

# UPCOMING 2020



First Light team classification (Germany)



13 classifications offered: 3 IEC and 10 IER



Launch of the **New Guidelines** 



3 Earthquake Response **Exercises** 



**INSARAG Global** Meeting 2020



Launch of the Warsaw Declaration and Strategic Plan

# **EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENTS**



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