INSARAG Asia - Pacific Regional Meeting

Date: 26– 27 October
Venue: Seoul, South Korea

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Covid -19 Quarantine Guidelines

Wear a mask at all times indoors.

It is recommended to wear a mask even outdoors in the following cases.

① If you have suspected symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever or cough,

② COVID-19 High Risk* or in close contact with High Risk

* Elderly people, immunocompromised people, chronic respiratory diseases, unvaccinated people, etc

③ Where there are many acts of generating droplets, such as shouting, chorus, or dialogue, in a crowded situation;

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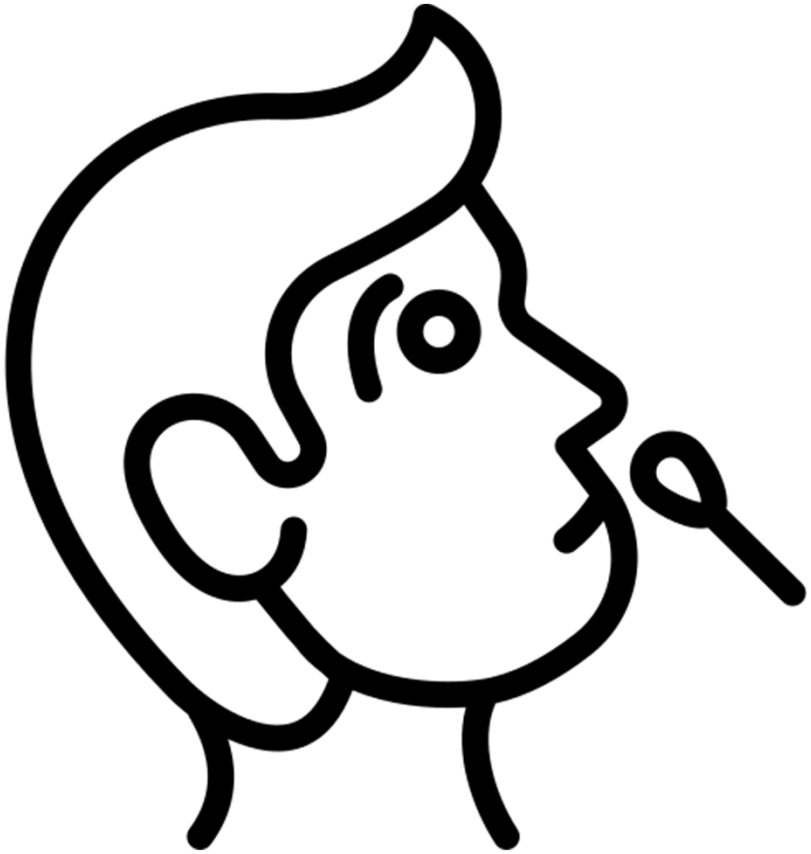

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· Lotte Hotel Seoul → Incheon Airport

Bus Stop location	In front of the Hotel Lobby
Ticket Purchase	Hotel Front / Bell Desk
Estimated Travel Time	Terminal 1 : Approx. 70~80 Minutes / Terminal 2 : Approx. 90~100 Minutes
Subway Connection	Euljiro 1-ga Station Exit 9 (Line 2)

· Route Information

Route Number	6701 (Incheon Airport → City Hall area)
Bus Interval	60 ~ 220 minutes
Fares	Adults KRW 18,000

· Station(Lotte Hotel Seoul) Schedule

Hour	05	06	10	11	14	15
Minute	38	38	08	08	28	28

※ Please be advised that actual times may vary depending on traffic conditions.

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Gimpo Int'l Airport	Walk About 7 min, 750m

· Lotte Hotel Seoul → Gimpo Airport(by Taxi)

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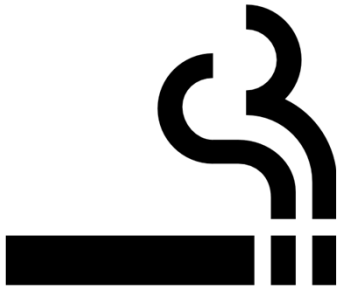

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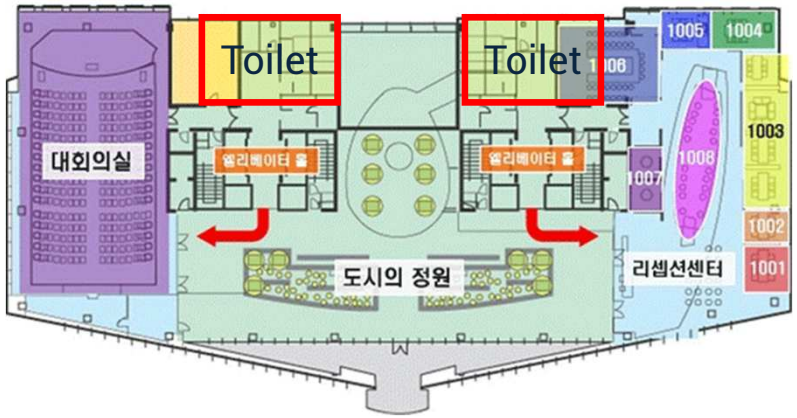

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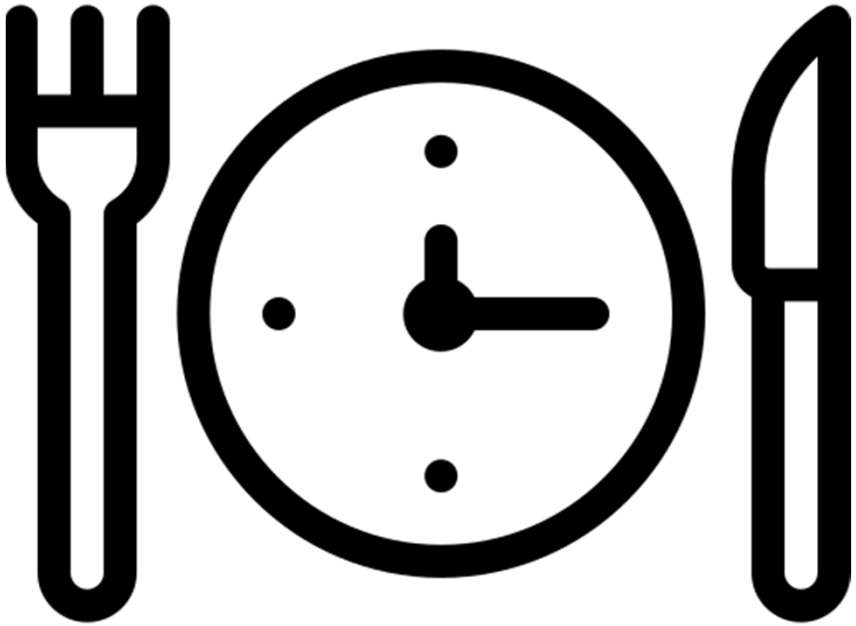

Meals

Lunch will be served throughout
the meeting.
(Place: Nook Restaurant / Buffet)

There is an official dinner
on the evening of October 26th.
Welcome cocktail start from 18:00
(Place: Lotte Hotel Seoul / Western course cuisine)

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SESSION 1

Official Opening, Welcoming participants and Regional and Global Updates

Opening Statements

Yil Lee

Director General 119 Response Bureau of the Korean National Fire Agency

Regional Chair for the AP Region

Sebastian Rhodes Stampa

Chief, Emergency Response Section, OCHA

INSARAG Secretary

Kang Il Bu

Korea Disaster Relief Team (KDRT)
Operational Focal Point of Republic of Korea

Master of Ceremony

Park Hae-ri

Korea Disaster Relief Team (KDRT)

Master of Ceremony

Welcoming Participants

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Global and Regional updates 2022

2022 Global Work Plan Highlights

Two Policy Meetings

1) **New Year Call** on 12 January
2) **HNPW- ISG** on 10 May

And Three Regional Meetings:

3)AEME, Ankara, Turkey, 13-14 October 2022

4)AP, Seoul, Repblic of Korea, 26-27 October 2022

5)Americas, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 7-9 November 2022

Technical Meetings, EREs, UC Trainings and IEC/Rs: **TOTAL : 34**

IEC/R Quality Assurance and Updates – Current Situation

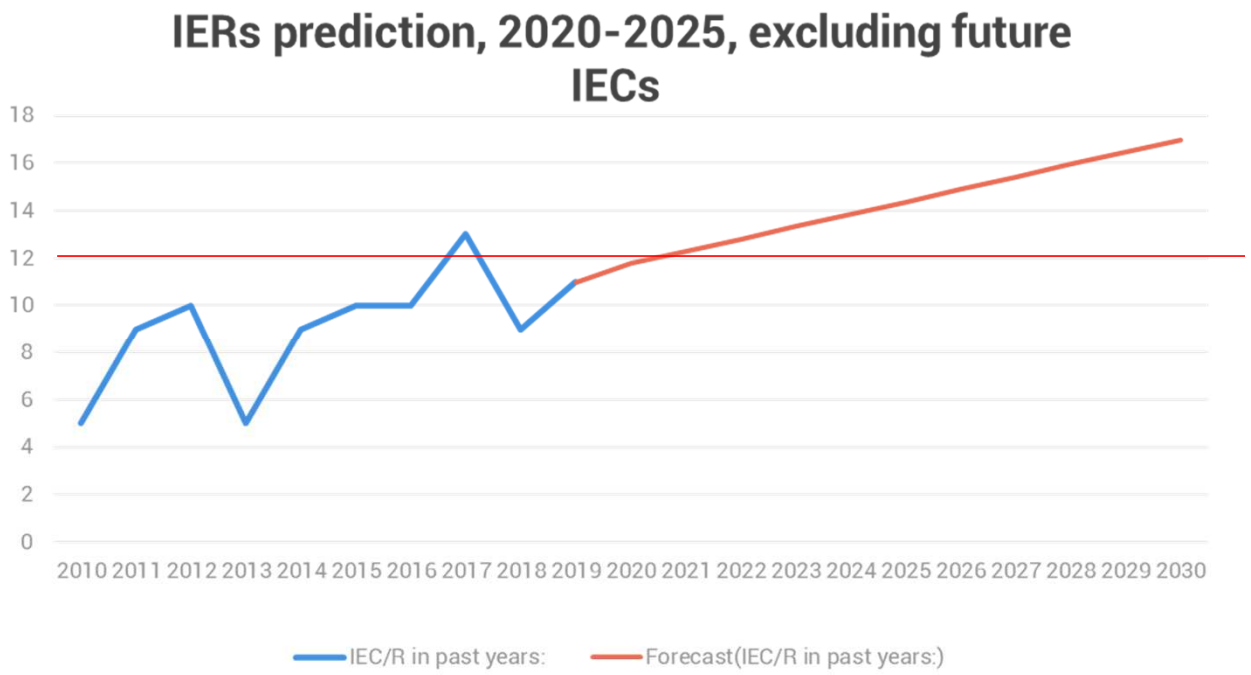
Backlog due to the pandemic

Predictions for future years indicate a strong upward trend that will **become unmanageable** from 2025.

Current situation:

- needs to clear the backlog of **30 IEC/Rs** due to the pandemic
- capacity to conduct 12 IEC/Rs per year.

IER Revision – Your advice needed in the next session.



2. ISG 2022 Decisions – For Regional Guidance

1. **The ISG welcomes the HNPW 2022 Hybrid format and encourages in-person events** where this is possible with a remote option, for participants, considering the host country's Covid-19 arrangements.

2. All 3 INSARAG **Regional Workplans** 2022 are **Endorsed**.

3. The **INSARAG Recognized National Accreditation Process (IRNAP)** Technical Guidance Note is **Endorsed.**

4.The **USAR Coordination (UC) Manual V2.0** is **Endorsed**.

5.The **First Responders Program V2.0 process** and its development for consultations at the Regional and WG meetings in 2022 is **Endorsed**.

2. ISG 2022 Decisions – For Regional Guidance

6. All **8 Working Groups Workplans** 2022 are **Endorsed** and the **Light Team Quality Assurance WG** will transit from a WG into a Reference Group, maintaining the same membership.

7.The **ICMS** will be supported until 2024 and incorporated into the UC Training.

8. On **Flexible Response**: The **Global Position** sub WG will continue **to consult widely with the network and at the Regional Meetings in 2022** and present their recommendations afterwards.

9. The **Transitional Guidelines Review Group** will continue to consult widely with the network and at the Regional Meetings in 2022 and present a revised draft Guidance Note on Bilateral Response and propose plans for the **next GRG to start in 2023-2025**.

10. The INSARAG Network will be consulted on a **revised INSARAG External Reclassification (IER) system** to tackle the exponential increase of IERs.

INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026 (in handouts)

INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026 – *endorsed on 27 January 2021*
The Strategic Plan of the International Search and Rescue Advisory Group (INSARAG) presents the vision, overarching goals and strategic objectives of the network, endorsed by its Global and Regional chairs, for the period 2021-2026. The Strategic Objectives for 2021-2026, developed by the INSARAG network, feed into a global framework which informs the INSARAG Regional Groups' strategies and objectives and thus attempt to guide their implementation.
***Source**: INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026.*

Regional Strategic Plans for 2022 – Asia & Pacific

Quality Standards

- Elaborating the INSARAG methodology through the active participation of the INSARAG External Classification(IEC) and Reclassification(IER) process, and cultivating experts to support the INSARAG Recognized National Accreditation Process (IRNAP).

Localization

- Applying the INSARAG guidelines to preparedness and response to disasters that occur in a specific country or community, and, sharing improvements by reflecting regional characteristics such as its system and culture. Also supporting member states conducting first responders training program.

Flexible Response

- Strengthening a comprehensive emergency response by facilitating discussions for preemptive preparedness and response to new types of climate-related disasters that transcend conventional urban search and rescue (USAR) operations.

Partnerships

- Expanding new partnerships with disaster-related organizations within and between countries, and consolidating existing partnerships.

Asia and Pacific Regional Work plan 2022

S/No	Key Event	Period	Location
1	IRNAP TSG/TRG Workshop	19-21 Jan	Online
2	IRNAP Technical Workshop	19-21 Jan	Online
3	HNPW	May	Geneva/Online
4	Webinar on - Flexible response - Disaster response coordination	TBC	TBC
5	AP ERE	5-9 Sep	Indonesia
6	Singapore IRNAP TRG Exercise	14-16 Oct	Singapore
7	AP Regional Meeting	26-27 Oct	South Korea
8	AP NAP Working group	TBC	TBC
9	IER Japan (JPN-01)	8-11 Nov	Japan

Regional Workplan 2022 – Review

AP Region

Strategic Objective 1: Quality Standards

- **Global events:**
  - **ISG** during the HNPW, 10 May, Geneva, Switzerland

- **Regional events:**
  - **AP informal regional meeting** during the HNPW, 9 May, Geneva, Switzerland
  - **AP Earthquake Response Exercise (ERE),** 5-9 September, Indonesia
  - **Regional Meeting AP**, 26-27 October, South Korea
  - **AP IER**: Japan, 8 –11 November
  - **UCC Course** Training 28 October, South Korea
  - **IRNAP ISG/TRG online training**, 18-19 Jan
  - **IRNAP**: Singapore

- **INSARAG Membership: Fiji**

Regional Workplan 2022 – Review

AP Region

Strategic Objective 2: Localization

- **AP Regional online TSG/TRG Workshop**(18-19 Jan)
- **Australian National UCC Course**(7-10 Jun, Australia)
- **Singapore first IRNAP Exercise**(14-16 Oct, Singapore)
- INSARAG&UNDAC Workshop for the Pacific Island Countries (rescheduled to 2023)

Strategic Objective 3: Flexible Response

- Webinar on Flexible response (TBC)
- **Participation to Flexible Response Working Group**

Strategic Objective 4: Partnerships

- **AP ERE** in Indonesia (5-9 Sep, Indonesia)
- Webinar on Disaster Response Coordination (TBC)

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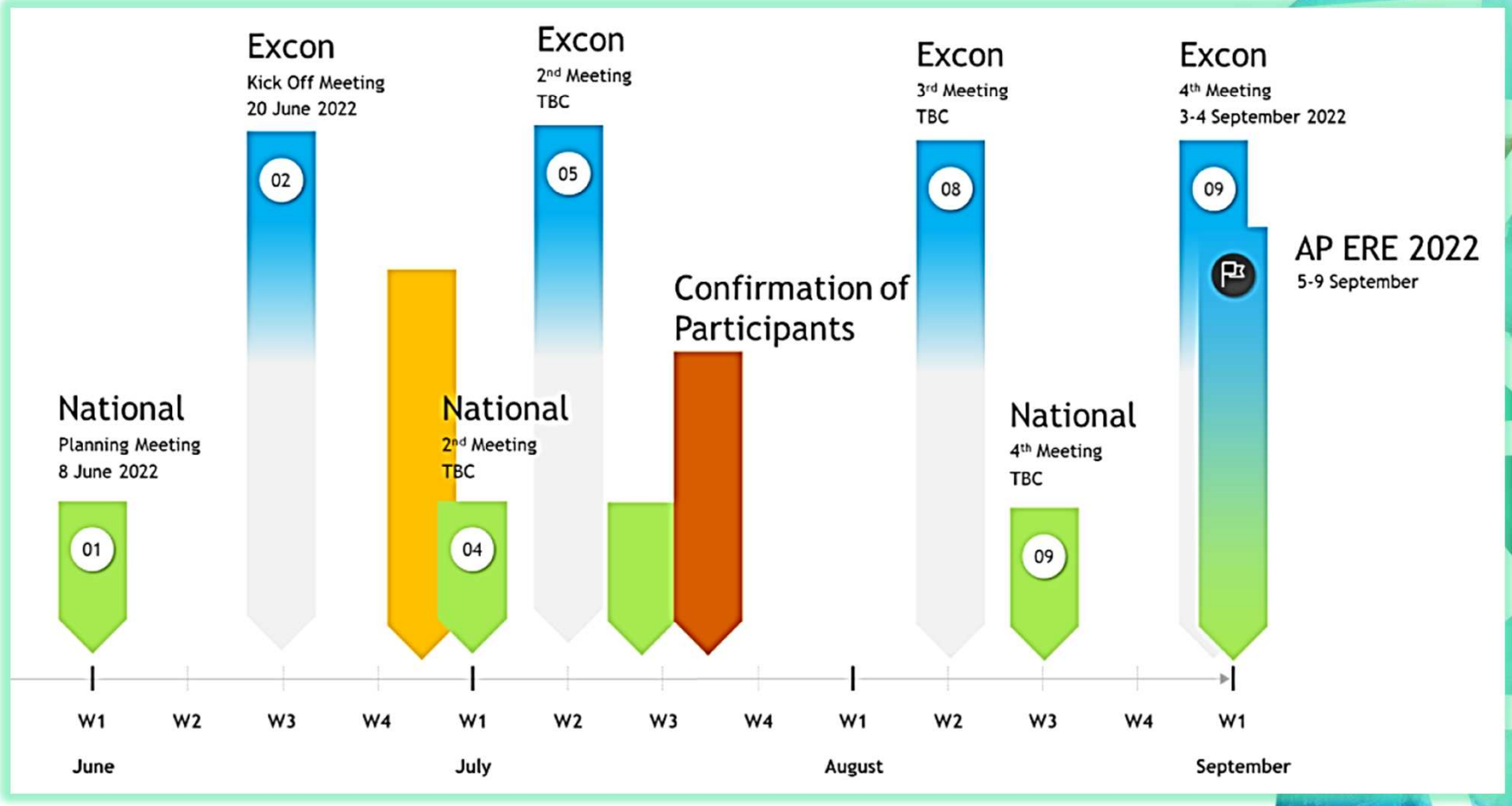
International Search and Rescue Advisory Group (INSARAG)
Asia – Pacific Regional Earthquake Response Exercise
Bali, 5 – 9 September 2022

Background

National Search and Rescue Agency of Republic Indonesia (Basarnas) hosted the 2022 AP ERE to increase the preparedness of Indonesia USAR Team and national stakeholders in facing the worst-case scenario of a major disaster, namely the mitigation of unpredicted megathrust in Indonesia, to prepare in supporting Indonesia's Presidency of the G20, as well as to commemorate the golden year of Basarnas in 2022.

Exercise Timeline



Date

5 to 9 September 2022 in Bali

Participant of Exercise

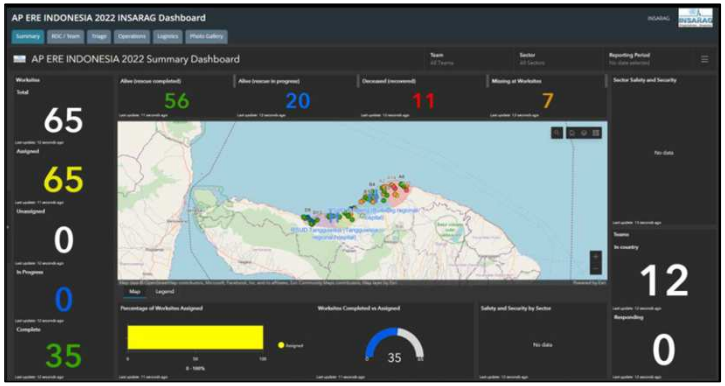
The joint exercise, which was attended by around 300 participants from 19 countries and 6 international organizations

Type of Exercise

This exercise using the command post exercise method that involves 5 USAR elements from the national and international levels in reference to INSARAG Guideline.

Scenario of Exercise

Basarnas developed an exercise scenario situated in the north of Bali Province with a large-scale earthquake of 7.4 on the richter scale that resulted in thousands of casualties. Due to the consequences of the large number of affected areas and casualties that exceed the national response capacity, the scenario simulated the request for international assistance to support Indonesia's in country USAR teams to implement on site disaster emergency response, including the implementation of the Covid-19 protocol and handling the ruins of historical and religious sites in Bali Province.



This large-scale disaster exceeds the capacity of disaster emergency response at local and national levels, thus requiring international assistance such as the USAR Team, Emergency Medical Team (EMT), United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC), and the ASEAN Emergency Response and Assessment Team (ASEAN ERAT). Basarnas also involved the Indonesia's NAP of USAR Teams to experience working alongside international USAR teams in close coordination.

Conclusion

1. All humanitarian actors took the opportunity of this exercise to enhance and improve close coordination nationally and internationally.

2. Indonesia through Basarnas and with the support of relevant stakeholders took the AP ERE 2022 activities as part of Basarnas' preparedness to face the worst scenario of a major disaster, namely the projection of unpredicted megathrust in Indonesia.

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Thank you

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Meeting will resume at 10:30

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SESSION 2

Breakout Discussion
INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026 and Tailored to the Regional Workplan and Priorities for 2023

Duration: 2 hrs 30 mins

2. AP Workplan – Consultations on Plans for 2023

Scope: of the session:

***1) Statement by Troika Member and Incoming Regional Chair 2023* – New Zealand**

2) Breakout Consultations on AP Workplan 2023 – South Korea as Regional Chair.

3) Report back by Breakout Group Facilitators, and development of the DRAFT AP Workplan 2023 – For Approval

2. Workplan 2023 –Plans for 2023 by Troika member and Incoming AP Chair –New Zealand

Ian Duncan

National & International Response Manager
Fire and Emergency New Zealand

Operational Focal Point of New Zealand

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS & TRADE
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FIRE EMERGENCY
NEW ZEALAND

Session 2: Incoming Chair breakout session

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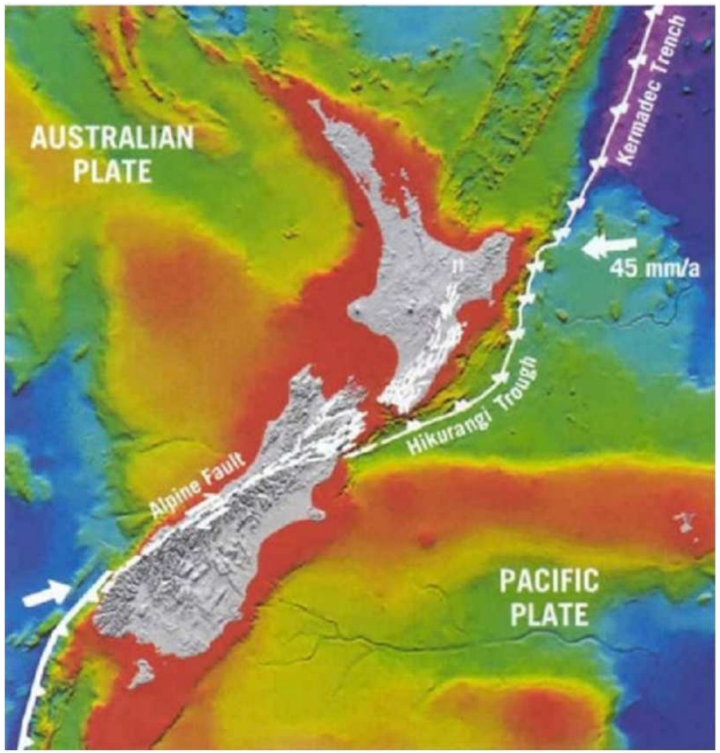

Introductions

- Malcolm Millar, Unit Manager- Humanitarian & Disaster Management MFAT
- Ben Collins, Policy Focal Point, MFAT
- Paul Turner, National Manager Response Capability, FENZ
- Craig Monrad, Team Focal Point, FENZ
- Ian Duncan, Ops Focal Point, FENZ

Asia-Pacific Chair 2023

- Continuing the work of progressing the AP Plan
- Coordinating Regional capability building
- Asia Pacific Regional Meeting 2023…

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…AP Meeting: October 2023, Christchurch

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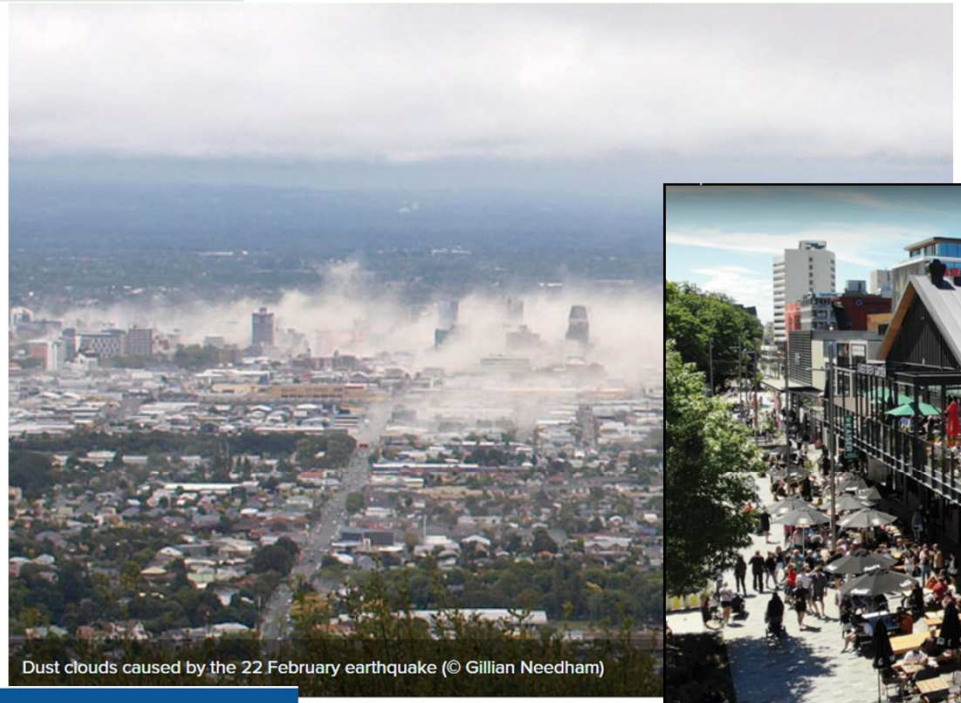
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National Emergency Management Agency
Te Rākau Whakamarumaru

Regional Consultations on WorkPlan for 2023 – Breakout Groups, Round-robin

Group 1: Quality Standards

Group 2: Localization

Group 3: Regional Position on Flexible Response

Group 4: Partnership

BREAKOUT ROOM LOGISTICS

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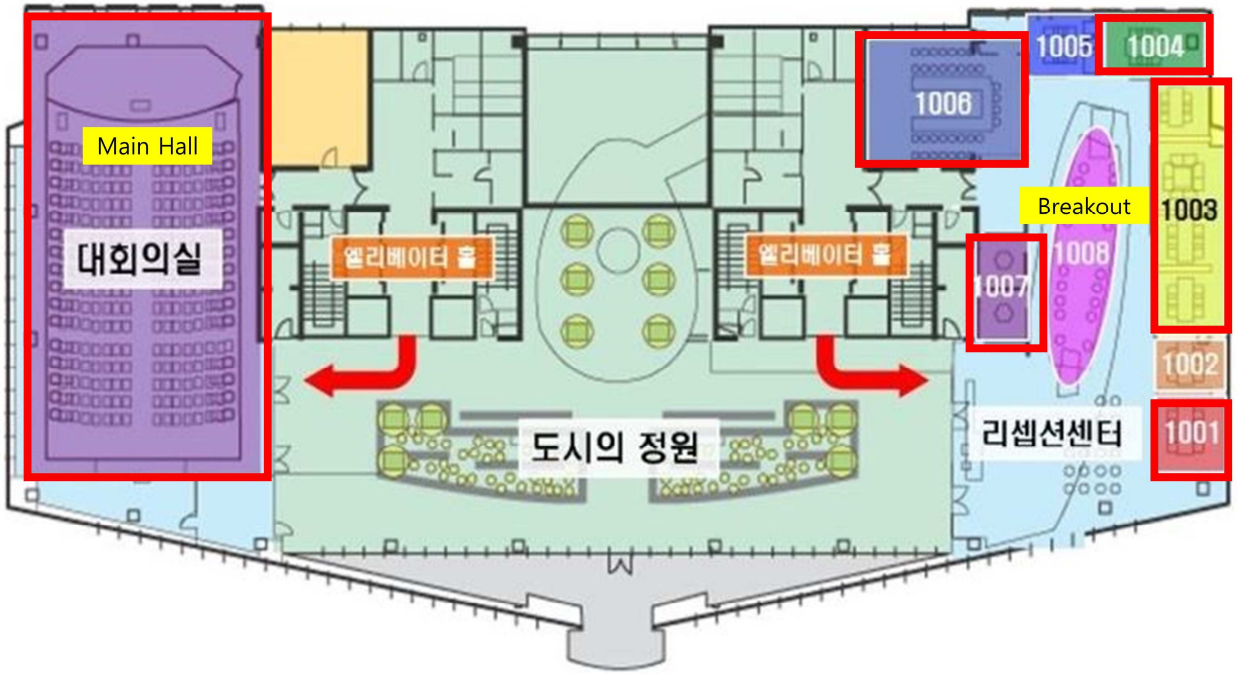
1006 – Group 2
1003 – Group 3
1004 – Group 4



QUALITY STANDARDS - Discussion

1. Revised IER System:

- Develop a new re-classification checklist
- Consider joint IERs
- Prioritise delivery of the INSARAG Leadership Training.
- Consider sharing your IEC/IER post-mission reports with the INSARAG network
- Consider a pool of experienced experts for deployment as observers for International INSARAG deployments on behalf of the INSARAG networks to assist with upgrading the Minimum Standard
  - Must have a defined purpose and focus
  - Totally dependent on if the host country can support additional people
- Require annual self-evaluations of field exercises to strengthen the POE submissions
- Increasing the role of the Mentor
  - Joint Mentorships
- Develop an IEC-IER Handbook
  - Facilitate rapid updates of the IEC-IER process apart from the 5-year Guideline process
  - Is there a need for “pre-validation”

2. GRG WG for 2023-25 for Guidelines Version 2025

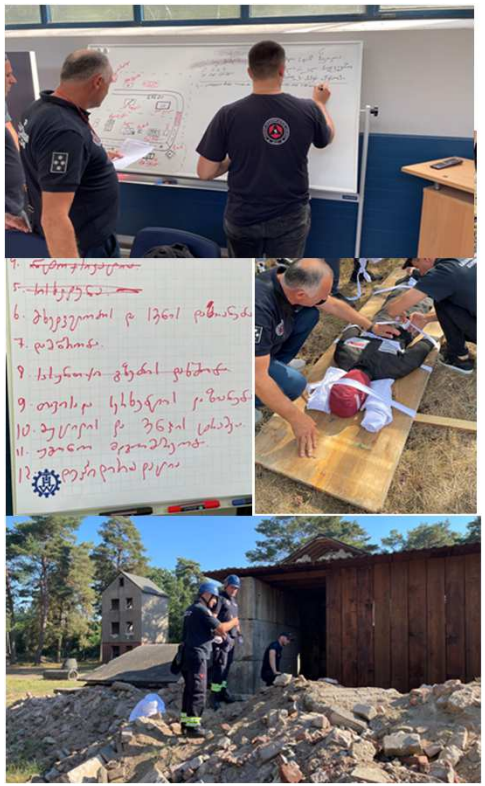
- Feedback on Guidelines V 2020
- International non USAR response.
- Nominations for AP representatives to the new GRG starting Jan 2023 – 2025 to the Secretariat

LOCALIZATION

1. **Area of Enhancement**
   - Regional IRNAP processes, TSG and TRG **roster arrangements, and Training**
   - The First Responders Programme (FRP) V2.0 - (TWG) Comments and Suggestions
   - Including the focus of persons with disabilities in the First Responders Training.

2. **Regional mapping** of countries interested to apply for IRNAP in the AEME - Discuss

First Responders Program 2.0 developed by TWG - Update



- The **FRT 2.0** is now in its testing phase: To ensure that the new training fits to the various demands worldwide, there will be four test trainings in the regions:
- In SEP 2022 the **1st test** was done in Germany (THW USAR Training Centre) with **master trainers from Georgia**. The focus was set especially on didactic and methodology and led to numerous changes in the initial draft of the new training course. The presentations are now in translation into Sorani language
- The **2nd test** will happen **in Iraq** in NOV 2022. It will prove if the simplified English will help for better translation and also test the options for localization
- As an interim, there will be a workshop with Sri Lanka in December to integrate the experiences made with localized FRT for professional FR
- **Test** No. **3** and **4** will happen in early 2023 in **Ecuador** and **Indonesia.** This will be the first end user tests i.e., with real (non-professional) First Responders to find out if the content will be adopted by the participants
- In March 2023 the revision of the material towards the final version will be happen – ready to be endorsed in the Steering Group Meeting

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Flexible Response Working Group

Finalising a *Global Position*

Reg Group Meetings- AP Meeting, Seoul

2022

Reasons for Flexible Response Working Group

- Changing Global disaster and humanitarian landscape
  - Primarily Weather driven
  - INSARAG too must change and adapt
  - New normal!
- Survey work with INSARAG:
  - Willingness to adapt to new needs
  - Willingness to accept new approach
- Policy decision would be required by INSARAG and the ISG:
  - Extension of capabilities
  - Prioritise capabilities if endorsed
- Flexible Response Working Group (FRWG) formed
  - ISG 2020, Co- chairs

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Key Tasks of FRWG

Consult INSARAG Network and **recommend a Global position**:

a) Acknowledging **regional specificities**

b) Considering **changing humanitarian environment-** number of weather vs. earthquake events

c) Reviewing **non-USAR ad-hoc deployments**: best practice, opportunities for improvement

d) Considering a **modular system concept:** from current USAR-team structure, tailored to the needs

e) Considering: **unprecedented challenges of COVID, and lessons learnt** from Beirut.

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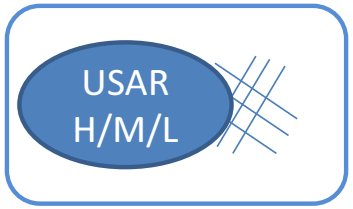
Definition ‘Beyond the Rubble’ or ‘Flexible Response’?

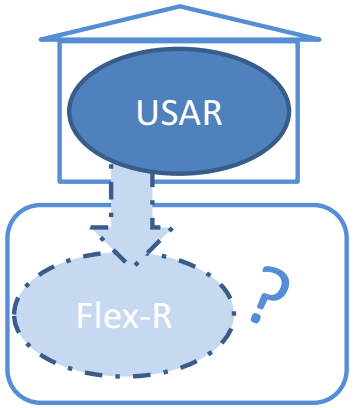
"Beyond the Rubble“, *INSARAG Guidelines VII, Man B:*

- activities offered/conducted by **USAR Teams deployed**
- after an earthquake or other sudden onset disaster
- to overcome the transitional phase between the USAR and the early recovery/relief phase.
- These tasks are driven by the needs of the community as identified by the LEMA.



“Flexible Response”

- Activities offered/conducted by USAR Teams **(at Home)**
- deployed after an earthquake or other sudden onset disaster
  - Tailored response to meet specific activities as requested by the affected country
  - The Flexible response team deploys to meet specific activities



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The following capabilities of recognized Flex-R teams could be of benefit:

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TEAMS (INSARAG Directory)

CAPABILITIES ALREADY INCLUDED IN TEAMS

Management, coordination support to the LEMA and/or UN coordination mechanism

Assessment: (ASR 1 / ASR 2)

Building Damage Assessment

Search Expertise.

Haz Mat support.

DACC and Culture Heritage

Logistical support

Health- and medical-support

- Flood response
- Wildfire / Forest fire / bush fire
- Humanitarian support (airports, ports, etc)
- Specialist salvage operations
- Communication support
- CASH Programs (donating, .cash for work, …)
- Capacity Building
- Mountain rescue
- Storm ground clearing
- WASH
- …..

SPECIFIC CAPABILITIES THAT TEAMS COULD PROVIDE

Current AP Position (as agreed 5th June 2020 VC)

Views of AP Member states

- Majority- Cataloging of Capacities as a starting point.
- Some- eventually pursue Limited classification…after developing enough resources!
- Other considerations-
  - Broader classification; and ,
  - Voluntary Pool Type System
- **No** Member States selected no changes!

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Current AP Position (as agreed 5th June 2020 VC)

The AP region supports Flexible Response and the following recommendations:

a. INSARAG Teams with additional capacities e.g. water search and rescue
   a. indicate their capabilities and capacities to INSARAG Secretariat.
   b. including equipment and operational duration,
   c. Secretariat will have a catalogue of modular capabilities, matched to needs when they arise.
   d. Deployments would use the INSARAG system and methodology.
b. Additional classification for capacities other than USAR
   a. Would require extensive resources.
   b. This will increase commitments from the teams and the INSARAG Secretariat.
c. The AP Region is committed to provide more inputs and recommendations on Flexible Response, if required.

Recommendations to ISG in concept paper:

- Part 1 – Existing Capabilities
- Part 2 – Additional Capabilities
- Part 3 – Interim Steps (additional capabilities registration)

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Recommendations to ISG in concept paper:

Part 1 – Existing Capabilities:

1. ISG **endorses** the concept of **"beyond the rubble" flexible response of existing capabilities** for formalisation and adoption.
2. ISG **endorses** the concept of **"FlexR" for modular response of *existing* capabilities** of member's USAR teams for formalisation and adoption.
3. ISG **notes** that endorsing 2 above will **require further work including development of new guidelines outlining** the process for FlexR responses.
4. ISG **notes** that the **provision of Beyond the Rubble and FlexR by member teams will be on an "opt in" basis**

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Recommendations Part 2 – Additional Capabilities

For information of ISG:

- *endorsement of this section is a policy decision for the ISG*
- *builds on the mandate provided by the ISG to the Flexible Response Working Group to develop this concept.*
- *expansion of mandate is in keeping with the general meaning of, but not specifically detailed in the UN General Assembly resolution 57/150.*
- *INSARAG/OCHA consider updating UN resolution, and INSARAG Vision and Mission statements if so endorsed.*
- *These endorsements will require further work and result in an expansion of the capabilities offered by the INSARAG member USAR teams on an **"opt in"** basis*

5. ISG endorses the concept of developing additional modular capabilities to be added to member's USAR teams as outlined in the concept paper.

6. ISG **notes** that in endorsing 5 above, further work will be needed to:

- prioritize and endorse each new additional capability (initial list in paper)
- development new standards/training requirements, guidelines, extension of classification processes for each team offering each new capability under INSARAG.

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Recommendations Part 3 – Interim Steps (additional capabilities registration)

7. ISG **endorses:**

- **E**stablishment of a register of INSARAG member USAR teams that will “opt in” to the provision of Beyond the Rubble, FlexR and additional capabilities that they are prepared to deploy.
- These capabilities will be matched to requests for assistance by the Secretariat on a bi-lateral basis during the period that formalization of the above endorsed changes are developed.
- To register an interim additional capability the member will need to identify the national authority and standard that capability meets.

Questions

- Should **INSARAG incorporate additional new capabilities (**such as flood and fire responses) **or should there be a separate advisory group** dealing with flood and/or fire?

- INSARAG teams responding in this capacity should adhere to **already available, recognised and developed standards?**

- Do you agree with the recommendations for a **staged implementation**?

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BACKGROUND

Partnership: boost and develop partnership for sustainable participation, ownership and governance (Strategic Objective 4 of INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026)

Objective 4.1:
Strengthen collaboration and coordination, expand established technical partnership and harness the collective synergies of national expert members for effective coordination and stronger preparedness.

Objective 4.2:
Promote a broader outreach and increased engagement with new relevant partners in preparation for a collective response in case of disasters.

Operational Interoperability between JOCCA and OSOCC (ASEAN – OCHA Partnership Roadmap)

- In the event both offers to establish JOCCA and the UN-led On-site Operations Coordination Centre (OSOCC) have been accepted by the affected government, where possible, the OSOCC and JOCCA will be co-located
- By preference, the site of the JOCCA-OSOCC should be at or near the NDMO.
- The possibility co-location should be explored by the team leaders of the ASEAN-ERAT and the UN Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC).
- However, if it is not possible due to the limitation of space or other constraints, exchange of information and/or other liaison exchange shall be made available to ensure that the response efforts are harmonised to support the affected government.
- Where deployed to support either the UNDAC or ERAT and where the OSOCC and JOCCA are co-located, support partners such as Télécoms Sans Frontière (TSF), MapAction – all of which have partnership arrangements with both UNDAC and ERAT – may jointly support both teams.

Boosting Partnerships

1. Regional Opportunities

- General discussion on areas of further collaboration e.g. CBi, etc…in the region.

2. Leveraging in the IERE and HNPW including regional response capacities to bolster synergies with partners

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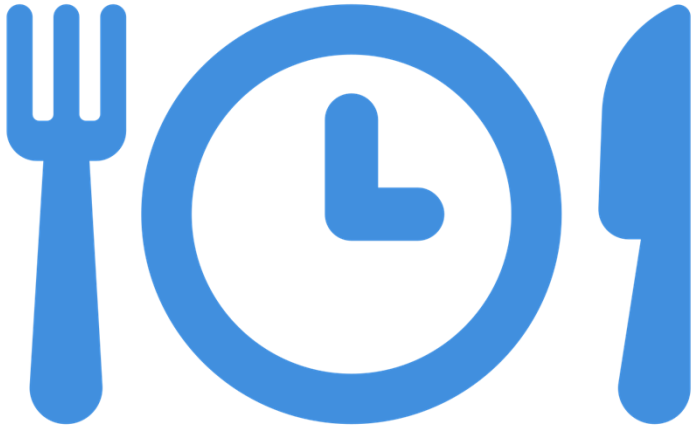

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SESSION 3

Session Facilitators Report Back on Part1

Duration: 2 hrs 30 mins

Meeting will resume at 14:00

Group 1: QUALITY STANDARDS

OUTCOMES	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	COMMENTS (if any)
Bilateral response identification (Non – USAR deployment)	It is OK for teams to wear the INSARAG patch.	Important that the role and capability of the Team needs to be clear to all.
Develop a new re-classification checklist	Supported	It is viewed that this is necessary to be more efficient. The focus for a re-classification is different to Classifications. There is more scope to pre-green or 'accept' re-classifications. Checklist is a tool and should be developed after the remainder of the process is clarified. Care that standards are not compromised by reducing process. Focus on the benefits however is there any consequences for non-compliance?

Group 1: QUALITY STANDARDS – Cont'd

OUTCOMES	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	COMMENTS (if any)
Consider joint IERs	Concept is supported	Standards need to be maintained through other means. Example – self assessment process that demonstrates that the team ecosystem is robust. Alignment of IER timings may need to be adjusted with Secretariat approval to facilitate this.
		IRNAP should be encouraged as its considered that this provides a basis for standards
Prioritise delivery of the INSARAG Leadership Training.	Supported	This is viewed as a priority as the role of the Secretariat, Mentor and Classification Team Leader are the key to maintaining standards
Consider sharing your IEC/IER post-mission reports with the INSARAG network	Supported	Consider a 'learning' Portal with ability to search for items. (Community of Practice) Teams may elect not to share.

Group 1: QUALITY STANDARDS - Cont'd

OUTCOMES	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	COMMENTS (if any)
Consider a pool of experienced experts for deployment as observers for International INSARAG deployments on behalf of the INSARAG networks to assist with upgrading the Minimum Standard	Concept is supported but more detail / information is needed.	Must have a defined purpose and focus Totally dependent on if the host country can support additional people. Can technology assist?
Require annual self-evaluations of field exercises to strengthen the POE submissions	Supported	It's possible that 'self-evaluation' process extends beyond just the field exercise. (Self-evaluation can be applied to actual missions) Is it possible that the annual self-assessment becomes a component of the PoE?

Group 1: QUALITY STANDARDS - Cont'd

OUTCOMES	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	COMMENTS (if any)
Increasing the role of the Mentor •Joint Mentorships	Supported	Mentor is the key to support a successful outcome. Team / support group Mentors may be considered. TSG / TRG – provide support
Develop an IEC-IER Handbook Facilitate rapid updates of the IEC-IER process apart from the 5-year Guideline process Is there a need for “pre-validation”	Supported	Clarification process between pre-validation to pre-greening

Group 2: Localization (IRNAP, First Responders)

OUTCOMES	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	COMMENTS (if any)
First Responders Programme version 2.0	• It can be included in the training curriculum for Disaster Community Volunteers • Can be called Citizen Responder Programme	• Very good programme • Great opportunity for the community level to respond immediately when disaster happens while waiting for the professional responder
	• Can be called Community First Responder • Consider the Safety of the community responders and should be included in this programme (map matching the skills set)	• Very helpful to the community level being the first responder • Indonesia started training the community in terms of Training of Trainers on First Responder
	• Emergency management framework can be enhanced	
Persons with disabilities		Consider the disability of the persons

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Meeting will resume at 16:00

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SESSION 4

Session Facilitators Report Back (continued)

Group 3: Regional Position on Flexible Response

OUTCOMES	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	COMMENTS (if any)
1. Most of all AP member countries support for FR manage by INSARAG instead of establish separate advisory group	1. ISG should continue the approach of FR to be managed by INSARAG by giving the approval for member countries to put additional capabilities as well as its recognized standard for USAR Teams in INSARAG Directory	
2. There should be recognized standard for specific capability as USAR teams put additional capabilities on INSARAG directory		
3. Most of the country in favor for staged implementation as opt in basis for FR capabilities		

Group 4: Partnerships

Outcomes	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	Comments
Regional Opportunities are enhanced	• To strengthen the ongoing partnership of the ASEAN-UNOCHA particularly related to the exercises (e.g. ARDEX, ARF Direx, ADMM Plus exercises, ASEAN-ERAT and UNDAC trainings) • To enhance the collaboration of the existing mechanisms/platform, e.g. Quad (Japan, US, AUS, India), Franz (AUS, NZ, France), AHA Centre, SAARC, EMTCC etc. • To share and support for the establishment of the regional mechanism for the Pacific countries • To enhance the interoperability and avoid duplication of the efforts from the existing mechanism/platforms • To have one dedicated focal point for each country to have a better communication and coordination • To improve the information sharing platform – to improve communication between all stakeholders • To promote dialogue between regional entities (e.g. AHA, SAARC etc.) • To have more capacity building activities between classified and non-classified members	• -ASEAN-UNOCHA interoperability is a good model • Constant joining of the exercises • To share lessons learnt of INSARAG A P ERE • To share national exercises • How everyone can be involved in the exercise • To have better knowledge on the disaster mechanism of the respective country to improve better communication for better coordination • Several platform are using (VO, ICMS, MIRA, EMT?, WebEOC etc) • Exercise planning need to be enhanced

Group 4: Partnerships

Outcomes	RECOMMENDATIONS (to the ISG)	Comments
Broader engagement with the new relevant partners	• Increase a potential partnership with the private sector	• PDRF in the Philippines ESRI in Singapore for GIS software

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SESSION 5

Summary of Outcomes from Day 1

Duration: 30 mins

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- Opening session, global and regional updates were shared by participants.
- AP ERE was highlighted as one of the AP regional achievements in 2022
- The regional chair 2023 introduced key topics to focus on the coming year
- Active breakout discussions of 4 strategic priorities
- Great catch-up after 2 years of pandemic!

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Day

06

SESSION 6

Presentation of the Regional Workplan and Calendar of activities for 2023

Duration: 1hr 30 mins

1. Technical Meetings and Trainings:

Page 59 in AP Meeting Handbook:

- **IEC : Indonesia (23/10/23)**
- **IER : ROK (9-13/10/23) and Malaysia?**
- **EREs:** Argentina (Americas), Australia (TBC AP), AEME (location TBC)

  ERE V2.0 Finalisation Workshop (back-to-back with HNPW) to add lessons from ERE 2022 in the AP(Bali) and AEME(Ankara)
- **UC Training AP** (Venue TBC)
- **IEC/R Leadership Course** in Jan 2023 in the Netherlands.
- **INSARAG TL/WG** meeting in Singapore
- **IRNAP ISG/TRG** training TBC
- Regional Meetings: Qatar(AEME), Ecuador(Americas), NZ(AP)

2. AP Key Event and Activities

- Policy Level Meetings:
  - **New Year Call: 21 Jan '23**
  - **HNPW-ISG: 24 – 29 April '23**
  - **Regional Meeting: October '23**
- Technical Meetings and Trainings:
  - **Regional Feedback and 2023 calendar with AP events**
- Other Notable Contributions :
  - **MS to Propose**

Send details and updates to
USARadmin@fireandemergency.nz

4. Any other proposed MS announcements of events/ activities for AP in 2023?

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No.	Category	Event	Date

07

SESSION 7
IRNAP Implementation in AP region

Duration: 1hr 30 mins

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BASARNAS Indonesia

Moderator

Sim Jae-Chul

AP NAP WG

Speaker

Chew Keng Tok

SCDF Singapore

Speaker

Craig Monrad

TSG Lead

Speaker

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IRNAP WG Update

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INTRODUCTION

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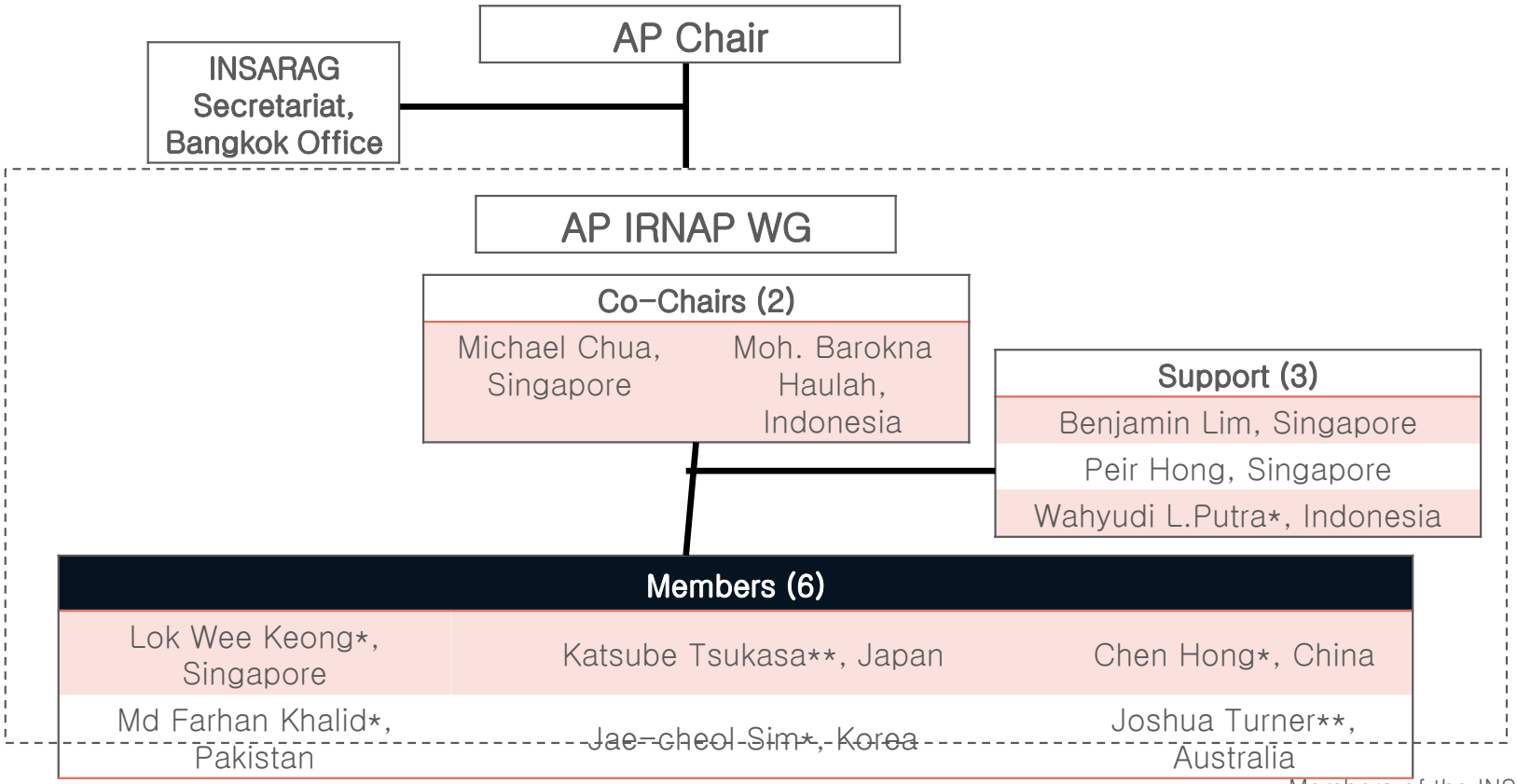
- Co-chaired by Singapore and Indonesia
- Support INSARAG NAWG in promoting NAP and IRNAP within AP region
- Establish the TOR of the AP TSG and TRG
- Develop the relevant Training Workshops (e.g. TSG/TRG Training Workshops)
- Establish the AP Region TSG & TRG Registry and Roster

1st AP IRNAP WG Meeting on the 23 Dec 2020

- *The work of the AP IRNAP WG would be aligned with that of INSARAG NAWG*
- *Any query or clarification required (e.g. methodological issues and interpretation of standards to the TSG/TRG) shall be consulted with the INSARAG NAWG*

AP IRNAP WG STRUCTURE



- Members of the INSARAG NAWG*
- Members of the INSARAG TWG**

WG ROADMAP

1st Meeting
Dec 2020

- Kick-off Meeting
- Discussed WG TOR

2nd Meeting
Mar 2021

- Endorsed WG TOR
- Developed AP TSG/TRG TOR

3rd Meeting
May 2021

- Finalise AP TSG/TRG TOR

4th Meeting
Jul 2021

- Discussion on Preparations for AP IRNAP Virtual Workshop

5th Meeting
Nov 2021

- Preparations for AP IRNAP Virtual Workshop

14- 16 Oct 2022
AP Region 1st IRNAP Accreditation in Singapore

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Apr to May 2021
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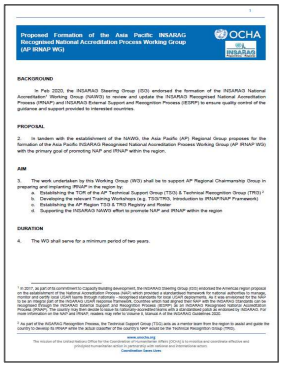
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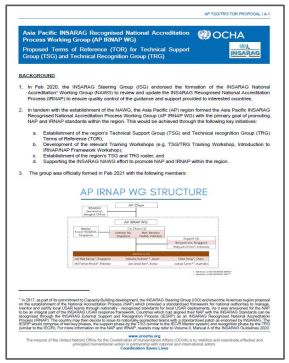
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Jun to Aug 2021

- Feedback period for AP Region on AP TSG/TRG TOR
- Discussion with NAWG on 24 Jun & 28 Aug

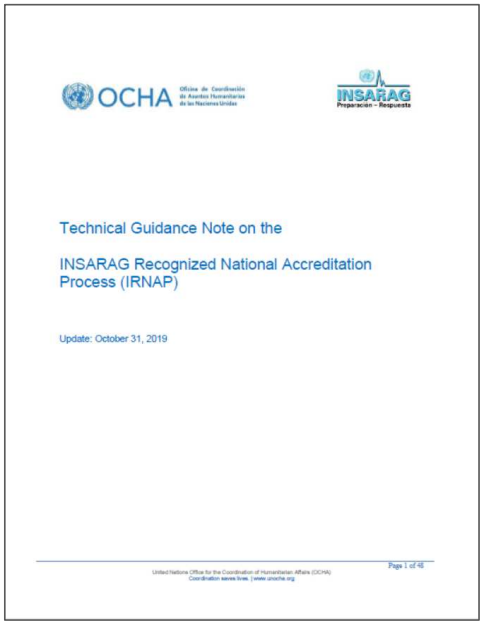
Dec 2021

- Discussion with NAWG on 9 Dec 2021
- Workshop endorsement by AP Troika
- Publication and Registration

1 Sep 2021
Operationalisation of AP TSG/TRG TOR

19 – 20 Jan 2022
1st AP IRNAP Virtual Workshop & Formation of TSG/TRG Roster

KEY DOCUMENTATION



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Technical Guidance Note on the

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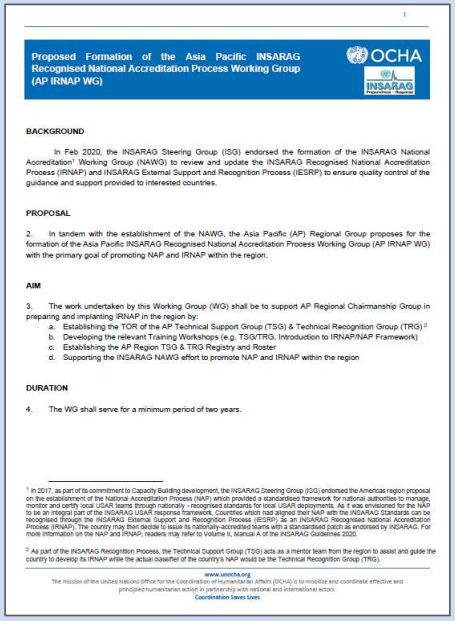

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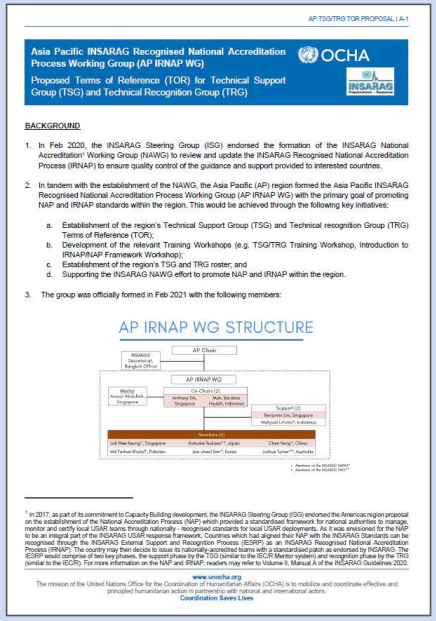

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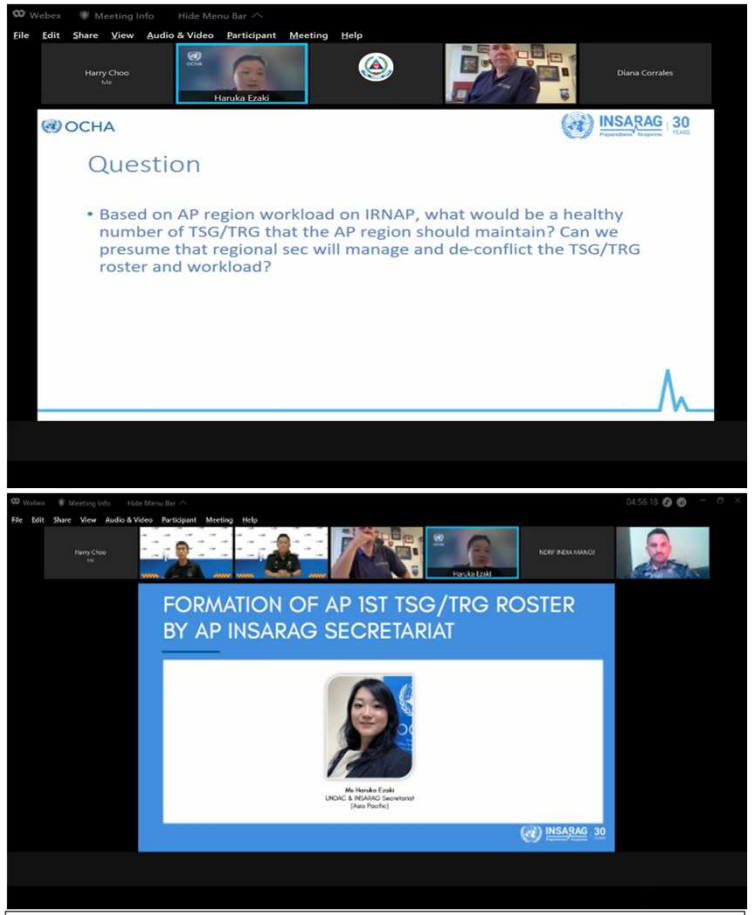
AP IRNAP VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

- Organised by SCDF with support from the INSARAG Secretariat, NAWG, Indonesia and successfully conducted between 19 to 20 Jan 2022.
- The Workshop provided an induction training for new TSG/TRG members who can commit to facilitate the IRNAP process.
- **The Workshop saw the formation of the region's first TSG/TRG registry and roster which includes 30 members (20 IEC and 10 non-IEC).**
  - The participants would be required to attend a face-to-face five-day training event when travel conditions permit



AP INSARAG Secretariat, Ms Haruka Ezaki, announcing the formation of the AP Region's first roster

AP REGION FIRST IRNAP ACCREDITATIO

Members from the AP TSG/TRG Roster supported the region's first accreditation in Singapore from 21 to 24 July 2022 (TSG Visit for support phase) and 14 to 16 Oct 2022 (TRG Visit for recognition phase)

LOOKING AHEAD

- The AP IRNAP WG will continue to work with the NAWG to ensure all IRNAP documentation are up to date and support its proliferation within the region.
- The WG will advice (where necessary), the projected / upcoming AP IRNAP accreditation :
  - China – 2023
  - Indonesia – 2023
- For more information on IRNAP matters (e.g. materials, AP TSG/TRG Roster). Kindly write in to the AP INSARAG Secretariat.

Thank You

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SCDF IRNAP Journey

AP Regional Meeting 27 Oct 2022

Chew KT, SGP-01

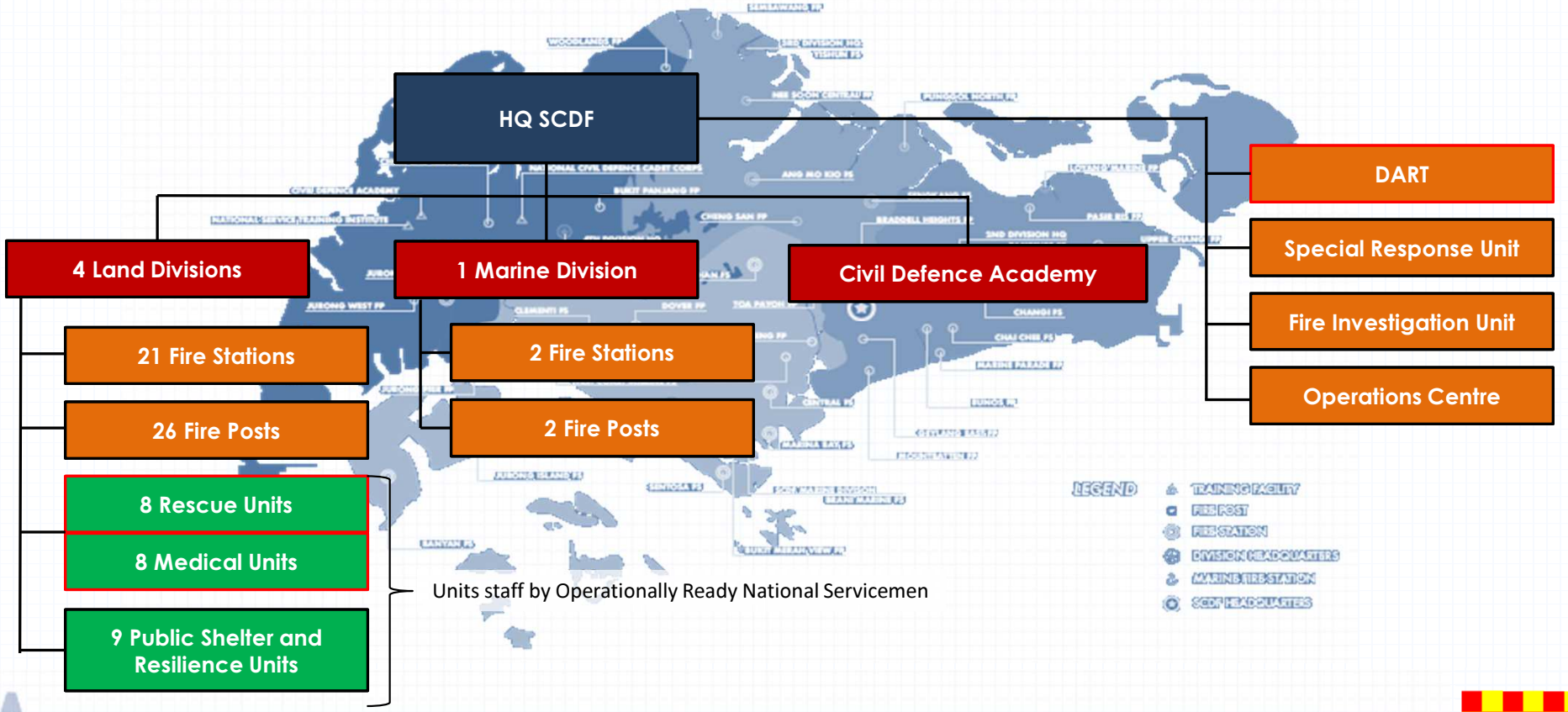
Scope

1. Introduction to SCDF
2. SCDF's IRNAP Journey
3. SCDF's National Framework
4. Key takeaways from IRNAP Journey

Introduction

Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) - Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF)

SCDF Establishments



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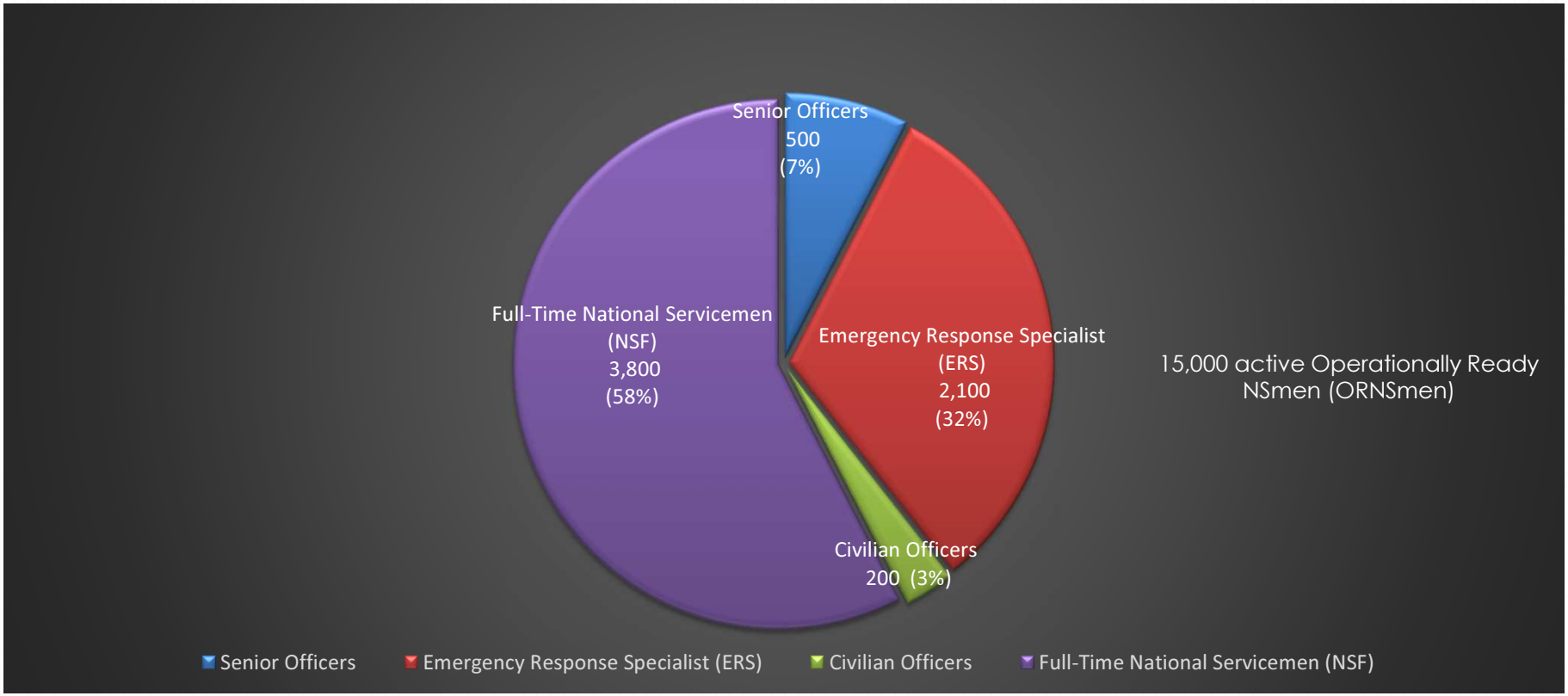


Ops Capabilities

National Crisis Management Framework

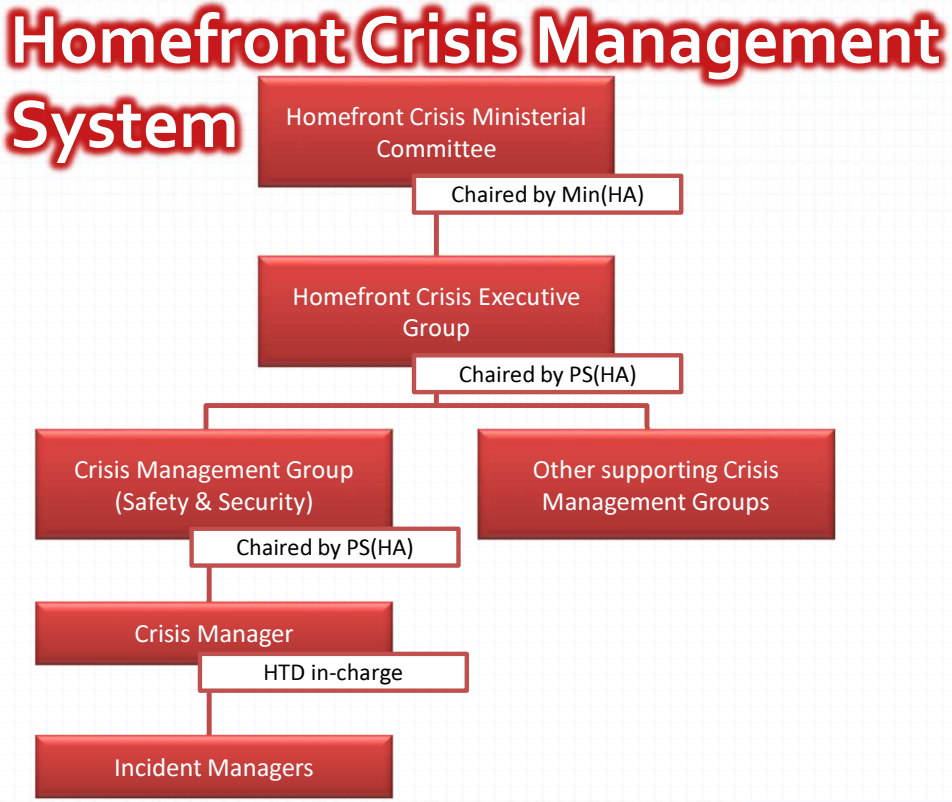
1. HCMC and HCEG supported by multi-agency Crisis Management Groups (CMGs)

2. SCDF-centric operations are supported by CMG (Safety & Security) staffed by MHA

3. Crisis Manager (CM) takes charge of overall impact management

4. Incident Manager (IM) plans and supervises tactical action at incident site and focuses on on-site consequence management

5. SCDF (IM) Civil Emergency, activates Operation Civil Emergency Plan



Ops Capabilities

Incident Management System

Routine Incidents

- Basic Task Force
- Fire Station Commander as Incident Manager

Major Incidents

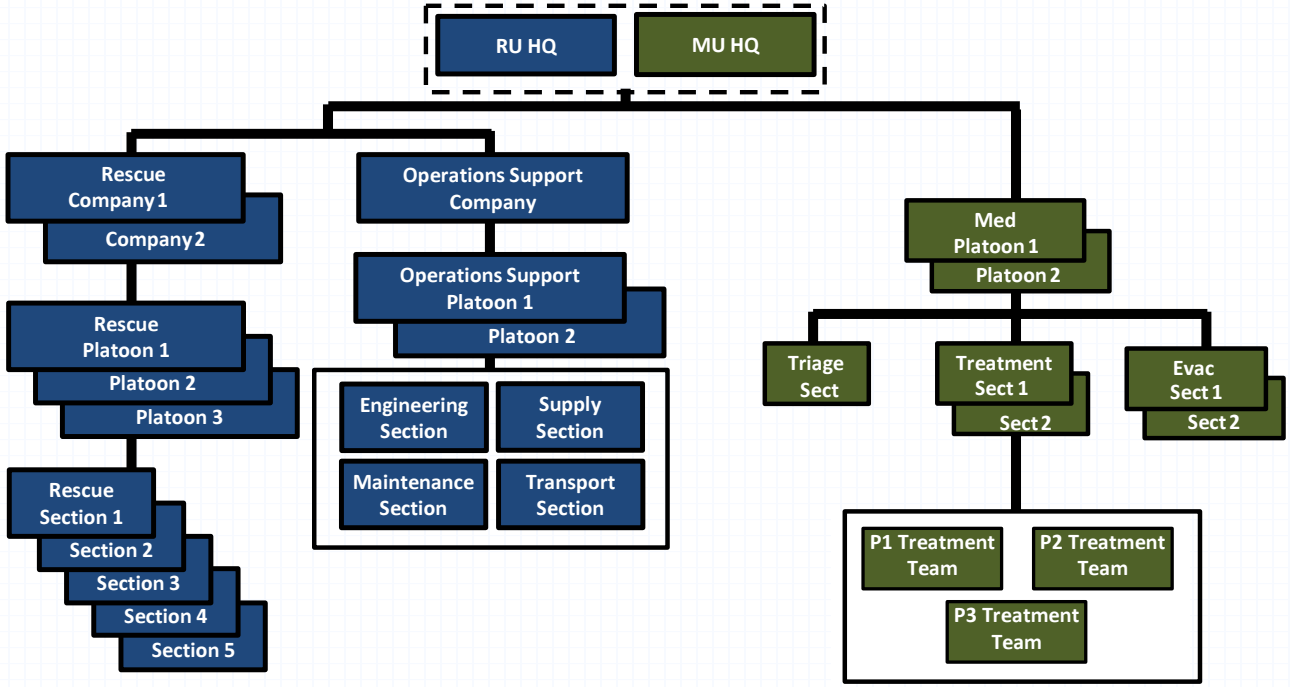
- Enhanced Task Force
- Deployment of support appliances and Division Forward Command Post
- Division Commander as Incident Manager

Civil Emergencies

- Major crisis and declaration of Ops Civil Emergency
- Full set up of SCDF TACT HQ and activation of Joint Planning Staff (JPS)
- Commissioner SCDF as Incident Manager

Mobilisation and deployment of RU/MU if needed

Structure of RU/MU



USAR Component	Groupings
Management	RU/MU Unit HQ
Logistics	Operations Support Company
Search	Rescue Companies with Rescue Platoons and Rescue Sections
Rescue	
Medical	Medical Platoons with Triage Sections and Treatment Sections

- Total of 309 pax per RU/MU
  - ✓ Comprising 214 pax in RU, 95 pax in MU

RU/MU Proficiency Assessment

- INSARAG Medium Team standard = RU/MU Proficiency Assessment (RPA)

- ORNSmen 10 cycle In Camp Training – Year 1 to 3 training – RPA (NAP)

SCDF's IRNAP Journey

1. SCDF's Operational Lionheart Contingent (IEC 2008) (IER 2013) (IER 2018)

Top UN grade for Lionheart rescue unit

2. SCDF a strong advocate of IRNAP. Co-Chaired AP IRNAP WG. Member in NAWG

SCDF's IRNAP Journey

3. Timeline of Singapore's IRNAP Journey IRNAP.

Dec 2021
- Letter of IRNAP Application

Apr 2022
- Letter from OCHA-INSARAG to invite TSG/TRG

May 2022
- IRNAP Guidance Note endorsed at ISG
- Start of TSG Support Phase [Consolidation]
- First VC with TSG

June 2022
- Submission of POE to TSG
- Clarification Period
- Supporting documents

July 2022
- TSG Visit 22-24 July
- View Exercise of 42 RU/MU
- TSG Recommendation

Aug-Sep 2022
- Start of TRG Recognition Phase
- Clarification Period

Oct 2022
- TRG Visit 14-16 Oct
- View Exercise of 21 RU/MU
- TRG Recommendation

4. TSG and TRG Team supporting Singapore

Mr Craig Monrad [NZL, TSG Lead]

Mr Bagus Ardilestian [INA, TSG]

Mr Mohd Halimi Taib [MAS, TRG Lead]

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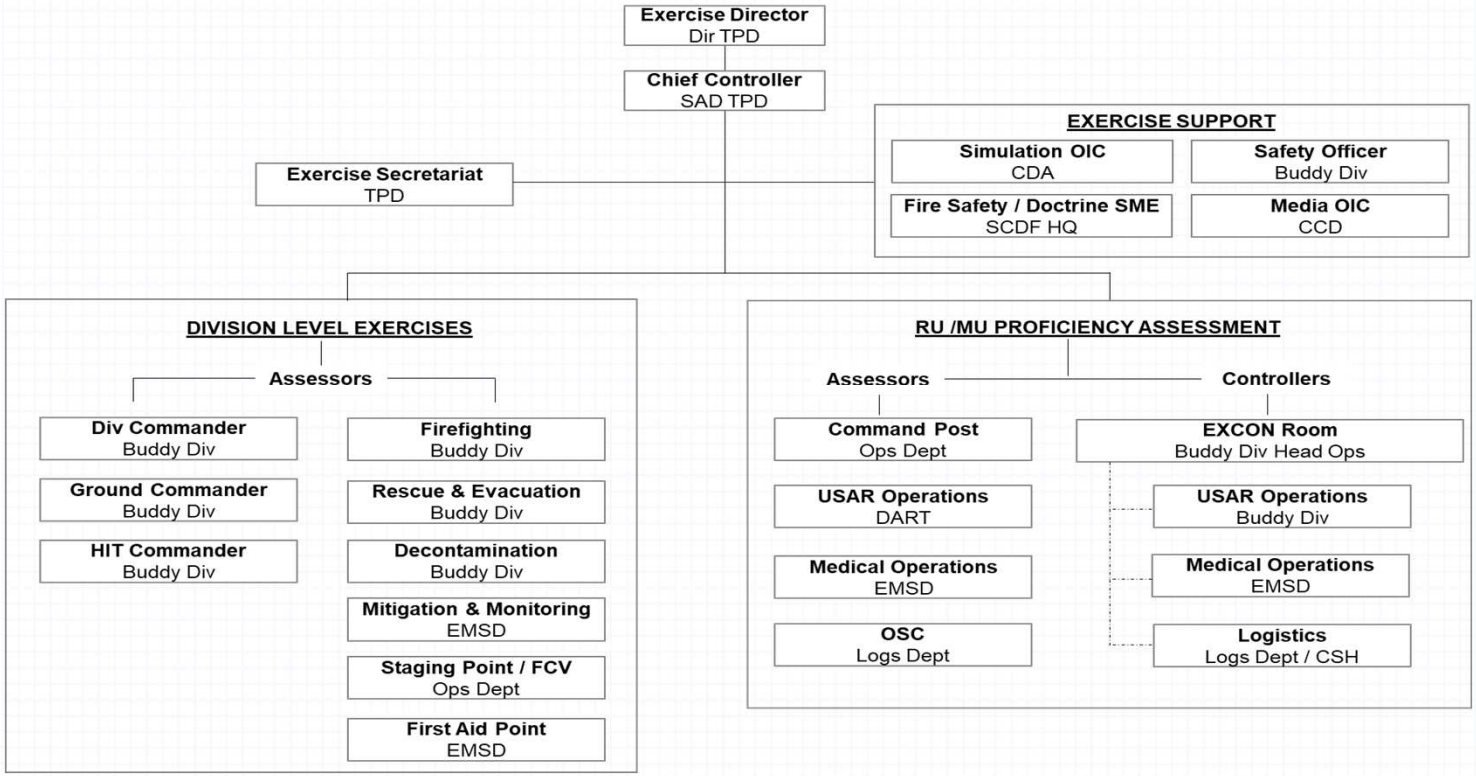
Mr Qu Minhao* [CHN, TRG]

General Exercise Management Staff (EMS) Structure for RPA Exercise



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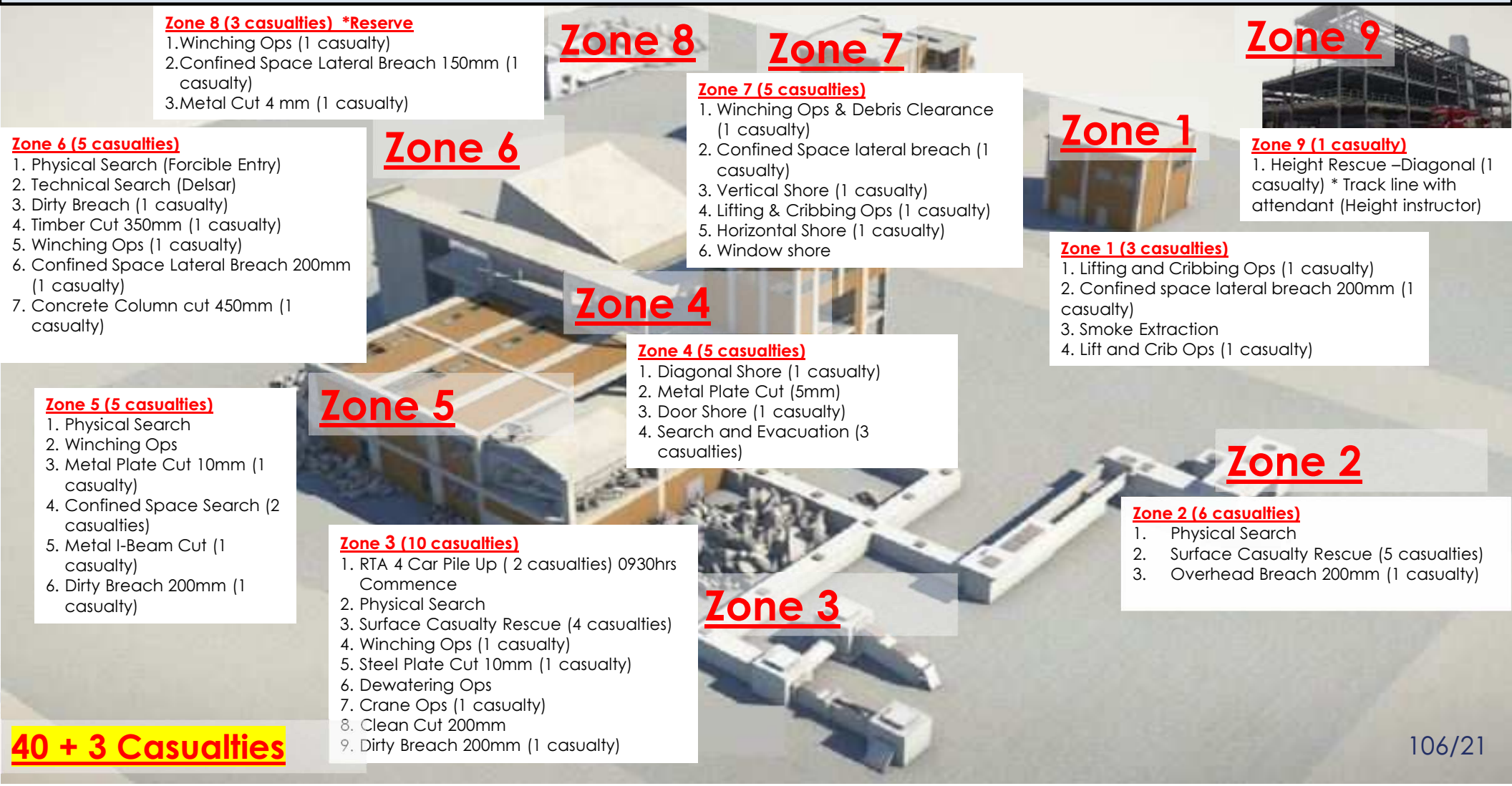
Overview of Exercise Scenarios/Simulation



Zone 8 (3 casualties) *Reserve
1. Winching Ops (1 casualty)
2. Confined Space Lateral Breach 150mm (1 casualty)
3. Metal Cut 4 mm (1 casualty)

Zone 8

Zone 7

Zone 7 (5 casualties)
1. Winching Ops & Debris Clearance (1 casualty)
2. Confined Space lateral breach (1 casualty)
3. Vertical Shore (1 casualty)
4. Lifting & Cribbing Ops (1 casualty)
5. Horizontal Shore (1 casualty)
6. Window shore

Zone 9

Zone 9 (1 casualty)
1. Height Rescue –Diagonal (1 casualty) * Track line with attendant (Height instructor)

Zone 1

Zone 1 (3 casualties)
1. Lifting and Cribbing Ops (1 casualty)
2. Confined space lateral breach 200mm (1 casualty)
3. Smoke Extraction
4. Lift and Crib Ops (1 casualty)

Zone 6

Zone 6 (5 casualties)
1. Physical Search (Forcible Entry)
2. Technical Search (Delsar)
3. Dirty Breach (1 casualty)
4. Timber Cut 350mm (1 casualty)
5. Winching Ops (1 casualty)
6. Confined Space Lateral Breach 200mm (1 casualty)
7. Concrete Column cut 450mm (1 casualty)

Zone 4

Zone 4 (5 casualties)
1. Diagonal Shore (1 casualty)
2. Metal Plate Cut (5mm)
3. Door Shore (1 casualty)
4. Search and Evacuation (3 casualties)

Zone 5

Zone 5 (5 casualties)
1. Physical Search
2. Winching Ops
3. Metal Plate Cut 10mm (1 casualty)
4. Confined Space Search (2 casualties)
5. Metal I-Beam Cut (1 casualty)
6. Dirty Breach 200mm (1 casualty)

Zone 2

Zone 2 (6 casualties)
1. Physical Search
2. Surface Casualty Rescue (5 casualties)
3. Overhead Breach 200mm (1 casualty)

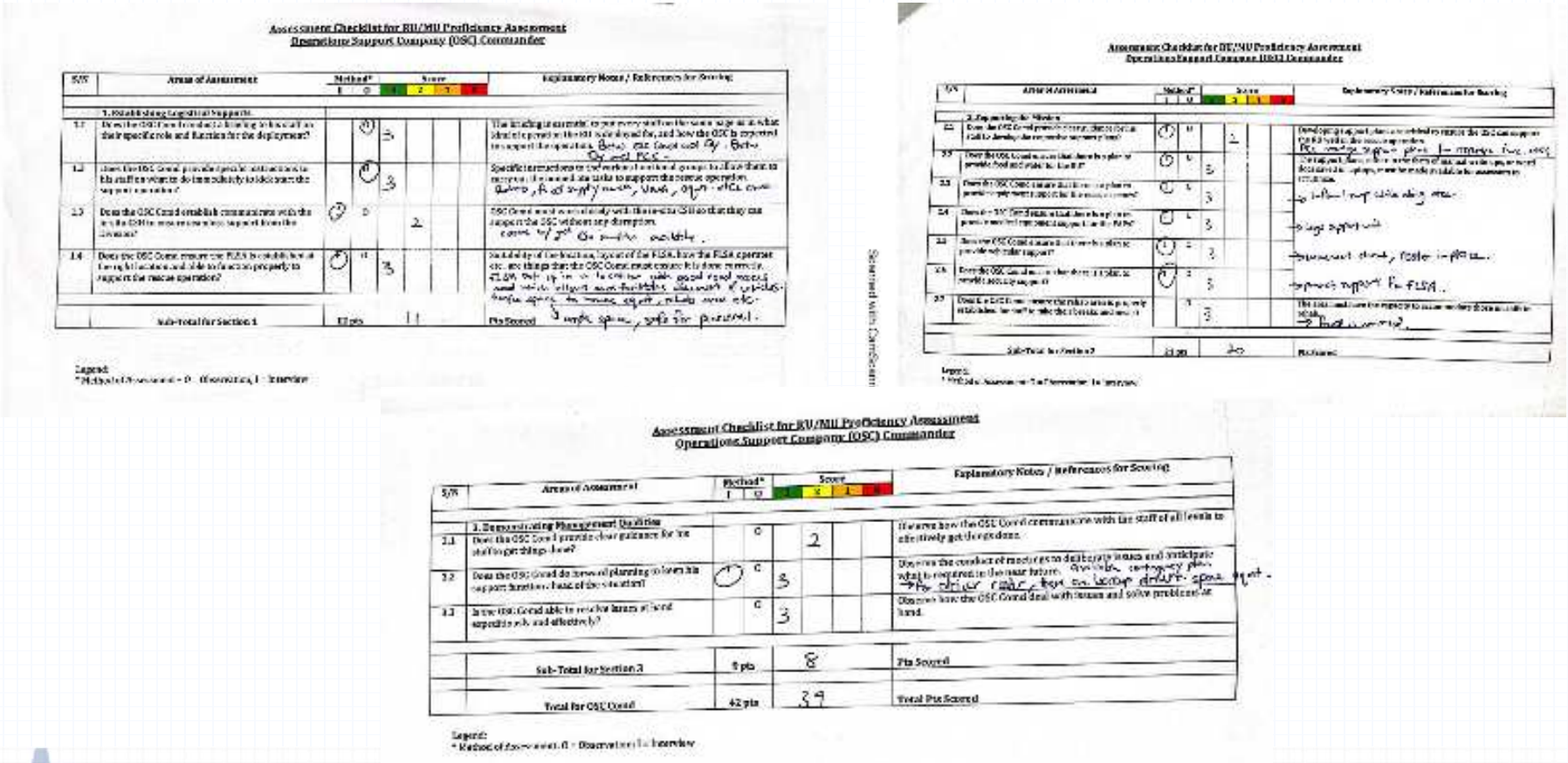
Zone 3

Zone 3 (10 casualties)
1. RTA 4 Car Pile Up (2 casualties) 0930hrs Commence
2. Physical Search
3. Surface Casualty Rescue (4 casualties)
4. Winching Ops (1 casualty)
5. Steel Plate Cut 10mm (1 casualty)
6. Dewatering Ops
7. Crane Ops (1 casualty)
8. Clean Cut 200mm
9. Dirty Breach 200mm (1 casualty)

40 + 3 Casualties

RPA Exercise

Sample RPA Checklist



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	1. Establishing Logistical Support.				
1.1	Does the OSC Comd provide clear guidance to his staff on what is to be done, when and how it is to be done, in accordance with the mission requirements?		✓	3	
1.2	Does the OSC Comd provide clear instructions to his staff on what is to be done, when and how it is to be done, in accordance with the mission requirements?		✓	3	
1.3	Does the OSC Comd establish communications with the units in the OSC to ensure timely support from the units?	✓		2	
1.4	Does the OSC Comd ensure the FLDA is established and functioning efficiently and able to function properly to support the mission operation?	✓		3	
	Sub-Total for Section 1	12 pts		11	Pts Scored

Legend:
* Method of Assessment: O - Observation, I - Interview

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2.1	Does the OSC Comd provide clear guidance for his staff to get things done?		✓	2	
2.2	Does the OSC Comd do forward planning to meet his support functions based on the situation?	✓		3	
2.3	Is the OSC Comd able to resolve issues at hand expediently and effectively?		✓	3	
	Sub-Total for Section 2	9 pts		8	Pts Scored
	Total for OSC Comd	42 pts		39	Total Pts Scored

Legend:
* Method of Assessment: O - Observation, I - Interview

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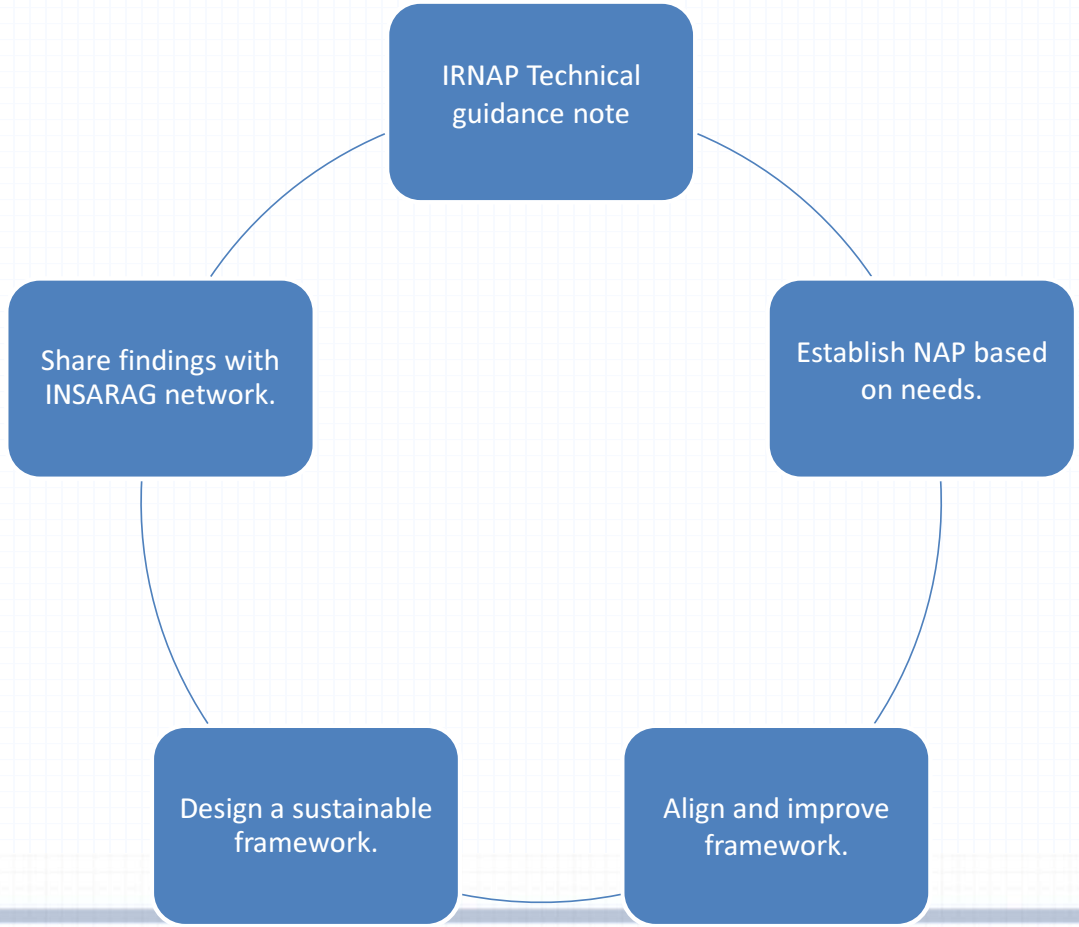
Key Considerations



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Sustainable framework

1. Conscript system – 2 years active syste and 10 years reserve.
2. USAR practices – IEC to IRNAP knowledge inflow.
3. Training facilities and Assessment system.
4. All Units equally equipped. Push supply chain system.

Key takeaways

Share findings with INSARAG Network

1. Assessment of Framework, not the team
2. IRNAP Checklist –reword “USAR Operation” to check instead of observe demo
3. Pre-Green and/or reduced checklist for IEC/R classified teams
4. TORs for TSG and TRG in the contact of applying Country

Thank You

- Appointed from the AP roster to support SCDF

	Country	Name
1	New Zealand (Team Lead)	Mr. Craig Monrad
2	Indonesia	Mr. Bagus Ardilestian
3	Singapore SCDF (Associate Member)	COL Chew Keng Tock
4	Singapore SCDF (Associate Member)	LTC Lok Wee Keong

Terms of Reference

- **Advise and support** Singapore in **verifying** our National Accreditation Process (NAP) **adhere to and are aligned** with INSARAG methodology and standards
- Provide **guidance and recommendations** to prepare Singapore towards commencing the Recognition Phase by August 2022, including regular progress updates to INSARAG Secretariat and final report indicating Singapore's readiness
- Provide support to Singapore **beyond the Support Phase** through to Recognition Phase during the TRG's on-site verification visit in October 2022

SENSITIVE NORMAL

Design Level

- No national framework
- Requesting support to **establish a standardized national process**

Advanced Level

- Partially achieving standards
- Requesting support for **full implementation**

Consolidated Level

- Fully achieves all standards
- Requesting support in the **verification process**

INSARAG Recognition

- TRG submit Final Report
- Conduct Final Verification Visit

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SENSITIVE NORMAL

Verification Process - Key to Success

- **Well established systems and processes**
- **Comprehensive set of documentation which were well-prepared to facilitate cross-referencing as needed to checklist**
- **Collaborative learning and development**

Presentation on NAP

NAP Exercise @ HTTS

Document Verification

Ops Base conversion Visit

SENSITIVE NORMAL

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

Meeting will resume at 11:00

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SESSION 8

20th Anniversary of INSARAG's GA 57/150 (Refer to handouts)

Duration: 1hr 30 mins

Earthquakes which led to the adoption of the GA 57/150 Resolution

1999 İzmit, Türkiye earthquake

1999 Jiji, Taiwan earthquake

Recalling the GA 57/150 Resolution

The United Nations General Assembly Resolution 57/150 (2002) on "Strengthening the effectiveness and coordination of international urban search and rescue assistance"**,** tabled by Türkiye, was adopted by **51** sponsoring countries following the devastating earthquakes of Izmit and Jiji in 1999.

The resolution affirms that the contributions made by international urban search and rescue teams are essential in helping to reduce the loss of life and human suffering following disasters. It also recognise the **INSARAG Guidelines and Methodology** as a flexible and helpful reference tool for disaster preparedness and response efforts, .

United Nations A/RES/57/150

General Assembly

Distr.: General
27 February 2003

Fifty-seventh session
Agenda item 21 (a)

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly

[*without reference to a Main Committee (A/57/L.60 and Add.1)*]

57/150. Strengthening the effectiveness and coordination of international urban search and rescue assistance

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolution 46/182 of 19 December 1991, the annex to which contains the guiding principles for strengthening the coordination of humanitarian assistance of the United Nations system, and its resolutions 54/233 of 22 December 1999, 55/163 of 14 December 2000, 56/103 of 14 December 2001 and 56/195 of 21 December 2001, and recalling agreed conclusions 1998/1[1] and 1999/1[2] of the Economic and Social Council and Council resolution 2002/32 of 26 July 2002,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development,[3]

Deeply concerned by the increasing number and scale of disasters, resulting in massive losses of life and property worldwide, as well as their long-term consequences, especially severe for developing countries,

Reaffirming that the sovereignty, territorial integrity and national unity of States must be fully respected in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and, in this context, humanitarian assistance should be provided with the consent of the affected country and, in principle, on the basis of an appeal by the affected country,

Reaffirming also that each State has the responsibility first and foremost to take care of the victims of natural disasters and other emergencies occurring on its territory and, hence, the affected State has the primary role in the initiation, organization, coordination and implementation of humanitarian assistance within its territory,

Recognizing the importance of the principles of neutrality, humanity and impartiality for the provision of humanitarian assistance,

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 3* and corrigendum (A/53/3 and Corr.1), chap. VII, para. 5.
[2] Ibid., *Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 3* (A/54/3/Rev.1), chap. VI, para. 5.
[3] A/57/578.

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Strengthening the effectiveness and coordination of international urban search and rescue assistance – in short:

1. Recognizes the importance of international cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development.

2. Highlights the United Nations' key commitment to improving the efficiency and effectiveness in the provision of international urban search and rescue assistance

3. Emphasizes the aim of contributing towards saving more human lives

Key Elements

Efficiency & Effectiveness

- Stresses the need to improve efficiency and effectiveness in the provision of international urban search and rescue assistance, with the aim of contributing towards saving more human lives;

Facilitate Entry

- Stresses the need to simplify or reduce, as appropriate, the customs and administrative procedures related to the entry, transit, stay and exit of international urban search and rescue teams and their equipment and materials (…)

Key Elements

Compliance with INSARAG Guidelines

- Urges all States that have the capacity to provide international urban search and rescue assistance to take the necessary measures to ensure that international urban search and rescue teams under their responsibility are deployed and operate in accordance with internationally d eveloped standards (…)

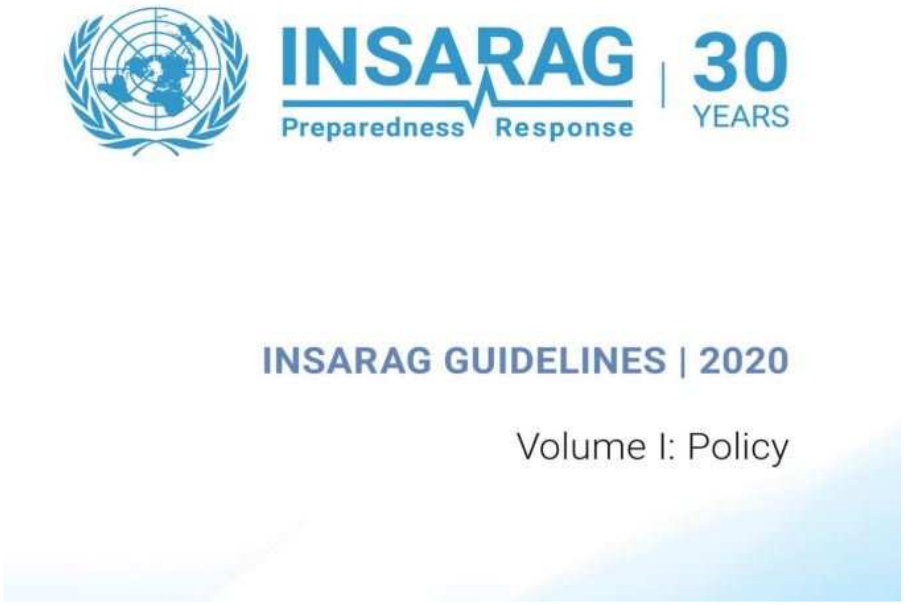
Strengthening of Cooperation & Capacity Building

- Encourages (…) the strengthening of cooperation among States at the regional and subregional levels in the field of disaster preparedness and response, with particular respect to capacity-building at all levels;

Key Elements

Further development of common standards

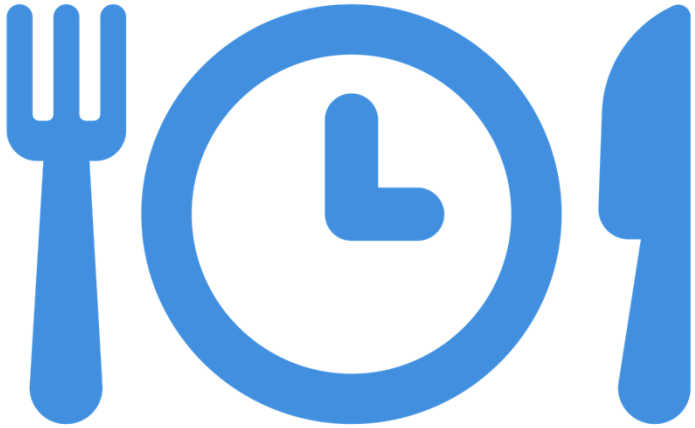
- **Encourages Member States (…) to continue efforts to improve efficiency and effectiveness in the provision of international urban search and rescue assistance, including the further development of common standards;**



INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026 (in handouts)

INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026 – *endorsed on 27 January 2021*
The Strategic Plan of the International Search and Rescue Advisory Group (INSARAG) presents the vision, overarching goals and strategic objectives of the network, endorsed by its Global and Regional chairs, for the period 2021-2026. The Strategic Objectives for 2021-2026, developed by the INSARAG network, feed into a global framework which informs the INSARAG Regional Groups' strategies and objectives and thus attempt to guide their implementation.
***Source**: INSARAG Strategic Plan 2021-2026.*

LUNCH BREAK



Meeting will resume at 14:00

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SESSION 9

Annuncements by MS, Announcement of the 2023 Troika, Summary of Meeting Outcomes and Closing Statements

Duration: 60 mins

SESSION 9

1) Summary of Key Regional Meeting Outcomes

2) Announcements by Member states/AOB

3) Announcement of the 2023 Troika

4) Video statement by Outgoing Chair

5) Closing Remarks

6) Exchange of Tokens

SESSION 9

Summary of key meeting outcomes :

1. Global and regional updates 2022 were shared with all participants coming from 12 countries and 1 organization
2. AP network discussed the regional priorities in the topics of Quality Standards, Localization, Flexible Response, and Partnership
   - Quality standard
     Review of IER system: joint IERs, new checklists, POE submission (annual self-evaluation of field exercises), etc..
   - Localization
     First Responders Training Ver.2.0 -> community responders training, consideration of safety, and disables.

SESSION 9

Summary of key meeting outcomes :

2. AP network discussed the regional priorities in the topics of Quality Standards, Localization, Flexible Response, and Partnership

- Flexible Response
  AP position: support the concept and start with listing the deployable capacities. -> to report to the Flexible Response working group
- Partnership
  Information sharing, participating exercise, more collaborations

3. Regional Workplan 2023 was discussed and some of the timing of key activities are already shared. More information will be incorporated to the calendar by New Zealand: AP chair 2023

SESSION 9

Summary of key meeting outcomes :

4. IRNAP implementation was discussed with the example of Singapore IRNAP taken place last week. Lesson Learned and Recommendation were shared. Further to discuss at both regional & global IRNAP working groups.

5. Reviewed the GA resolution 57/150, and made reflection of the process of INSARAG evolution and strengthening of the network. Reminded the power of INSARAG network!

Announcement by Member Countries/AOB

Announcement of AP Troika 2023

Regional Chair : New Zealand

Outgoing Chair: Republic of Korea

Incoming Chair 2024 : TBC

Video Statement by INSARAG AP Outgoing Chair 2022

Air Marshal Henri Alfiandi

Head of National Search and Rescue
Agency of the Republic of Indonesia
(Basarnas)

AP Regional Outgoing Chair 2022

CLOSING Remarks

Yil Lee

Director General 119 Response Bureau of the Korean National Fire Agency

Regional Chair for the AP Region

Sebastian Rhodes Stampa

Chief, Emergency Response Section, OCHA

INSARAG Secretary

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THANK YOU And have a safe trip home!