



Shared responsibilities for preparedness measures amongst citizens and authorities

During the discussions the majority of Maltese participants viewed preparedness as a shared responsibility between authorities and citizens, linked via active information-sharing from both sides. This is consistent with the results from the quantitative study which found that participants expressed a very strong interest in learning how to prepare for and act during disasters and it is also supported by participants' high appreciation of disaster simulation exercises.

Applicable to:

Stakeholders: [Norms/values](#), [Communication](#), [Attitudes toward authorities](#)

Disaster Phases: [Preparedness](#)

Types of Actors Concerned: [Local authorities](#), [Active citizens](#), [National civil protection body](#)

Hazards: [Natural hazards](#), [Man-made intentional hazards](#), [Man-made non-intentional hazards or emergency situations](#)

Recommendations:

- [Develop guidelines for disaster practitioners that take into consideration the different needs of and approaches to different ethnical groups](#)
- [Foster the adoption of a culture of disaster prevention and resilience by informing and motivating citizens to take action](#)

Source

[Deliverable D5.4 "Report on citizens' reactions and opinions: Citizen Summit 2 \(Malta\)" \(page 28\)](#)

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