

## Report on D2.6.5

### One Advocacy & Lobbying Event



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## PROJECT

# Public awareness, Preparedness, Participation and Coordination for Civil Protection for All

(Subsidy Contract No: A2-1.4-1)

## REPORT

<b>Title</b>	One Advocacy & Lobbying Event
<b>Meeting date(s)</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> of December 2020
<b>Organized by</b>	PB6 – Urban Research Institute ( <a href="http://www.uri.org.al/">www.uri.org.al/</a> )
<b>Meeting location</b>	Zoom Meeting link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/96605713081?pwd=Y0RQYW92U0hxNzJCcmZnRjNzNnVqQT02">https://zoom.us/j/96605713081?pwd=Y0RQYW92U0hxNzJCcmZnRjNzNnVqQT02</a>
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## About the Project

### OBJECTIVES

The main aim of the "4PLUS" Act is the upgrade / improvement of the existing infrastructure and development of human resources skills in the respective stakeholders, in order to take into account and better meet the needs of people with disabilities, people with chronic diseases, people with disabilities, age and people with reduced mobility in general ("low independence & high-risk groups").

In order to achieve the goal of developing Inclusive Civil Protection and to include the needs of people with reduced mobility / independence in the planning of any civil protection initiative in the cross-border area, it is necessary to develop strategies to promote "Accessibility".

And the principles of "Planning for All" in all phases of civil protection (prevention, preparation, early warning, immediate intervention and crisis management, response and rehabilitation, etc.) that will meet the characteristics and requirements of people belonging to high-risk groups.

### RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED

One **advocacy and lobbying event** was organized with relevant stakeholders (PWDs, health sector and social care representatives) on 24<sup>th</sup> of December 2020, aiming to promote a paradigm shift towards inclusive CP practices, and towards addressing the following issues:

**For Direct Beneficiaries:** Low awareness of inclusive CP practices, while information and lessons learned are not shared across agency lines and therefore, experience does not enlighten the development of new practices.

**For target groups:** Lack of awareness is one of the major factors causing PwD and elderly not to understand / comprehend disaster and its consequences.

### PARTICIPATION

This event brought together a wide range of key stakeholders, including:

- social and health care workers;
- emergency response workers from Kolonja Municipality;
- Students, etc.

A list of participant for the five day workshop is included as Annex 4.



## DISCUSSIONS TOPICS

By the end of the event, participants were able to:

- Have a general understanding of disability mainstreaming;
- List the steps of disability mainstreaming;
- Learn how to deal with different emergency situations;
- Understand government planning process and how they relate to disability mainstreaming.

The following are some topics raised during the discussions held in the advocacy event:

- Mainstreaming disability is not about adding a component of people with disabilities or even adding a component of equality, empowerment or rights into an existing activity. It goes beyond increasing their participation; it means bringing the experience, knowledge, and interests of people with disabilities on the development agenda. It may entail identifying the need for changes in that agenda.
- It may require changes in goals, strategies, and actions so that people with disabilities (both women and men) can influence, participate in, and benefit from development processes.
- Emergencies can increase the vulnerability of people with disabilities, as people with disabilities may be less able to escape from hazards; may lose essential medications or assistive devices such as spectacles or hearing and mobility aids; or may be left behind when a community is forced to evacuate.
- People with disabilities may also have greater difficulty accessing basic needs, including food, water, shelter, latrines and health-care services.
- Emergencies also create a new generation of people with disabilities due to injuries, poor basic surgical and medical care, emergency-induced mental health and psychological problems and breakdown in support structures and preventive health care.



## ANNEX 1: FINAL AGENDA

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D2.6.5 - One Advocacy & Lobbying Event

### Agenda and Guidance

<b>Event</b>	One Advocacy & Lobbying Event
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<b>Organized by</b>	PB6 – Urban Research Institute ( <a href="http://www.uri.org.al/">www.uri.org.al/</a> )
<b>Venue</b>	Zoom Meeting link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/96605713081?pwd=Y0RQYW92U0hxNzJCcmZnRjNzNnVqQT02">https://zoom.us/j/96605713081?pwd=Y0RQYW92U0hxNzJCcmZnRjNzNnVqQT02</a>
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<sup>2</sup> For persons with disabilities

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<sup>4</sup> In case further guidance and support is needed once onsite



24<sup>th</sup> of December 2020 (Thursday)

One Advocacy & Lobbying Event

11:00 – 11:15	e-Registrations
11:15 – 11:30	Welcome speech
11:30 – 12:00	Introduction of the 4PLUS Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Objectives of the projects</li><li>• Results to be achieved</li></ul>

>Break<

12:00 – 12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Access of persons with disability</li></ul>
12:30 – 12:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Full and effective participation in society</li><li>• Adapted environment</li><li>• Body ratios and space</li></ul>
12:45 – 13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How to act on emergency situations</li></ul>
13:00 – 13:20	Discussions



## ANNEX 5. VISIBILITY MATERIALS (POSTER, SINGS, ETC.)

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