



Disaster Preparedness (DP) & Risk-Informed Approach

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Agenda

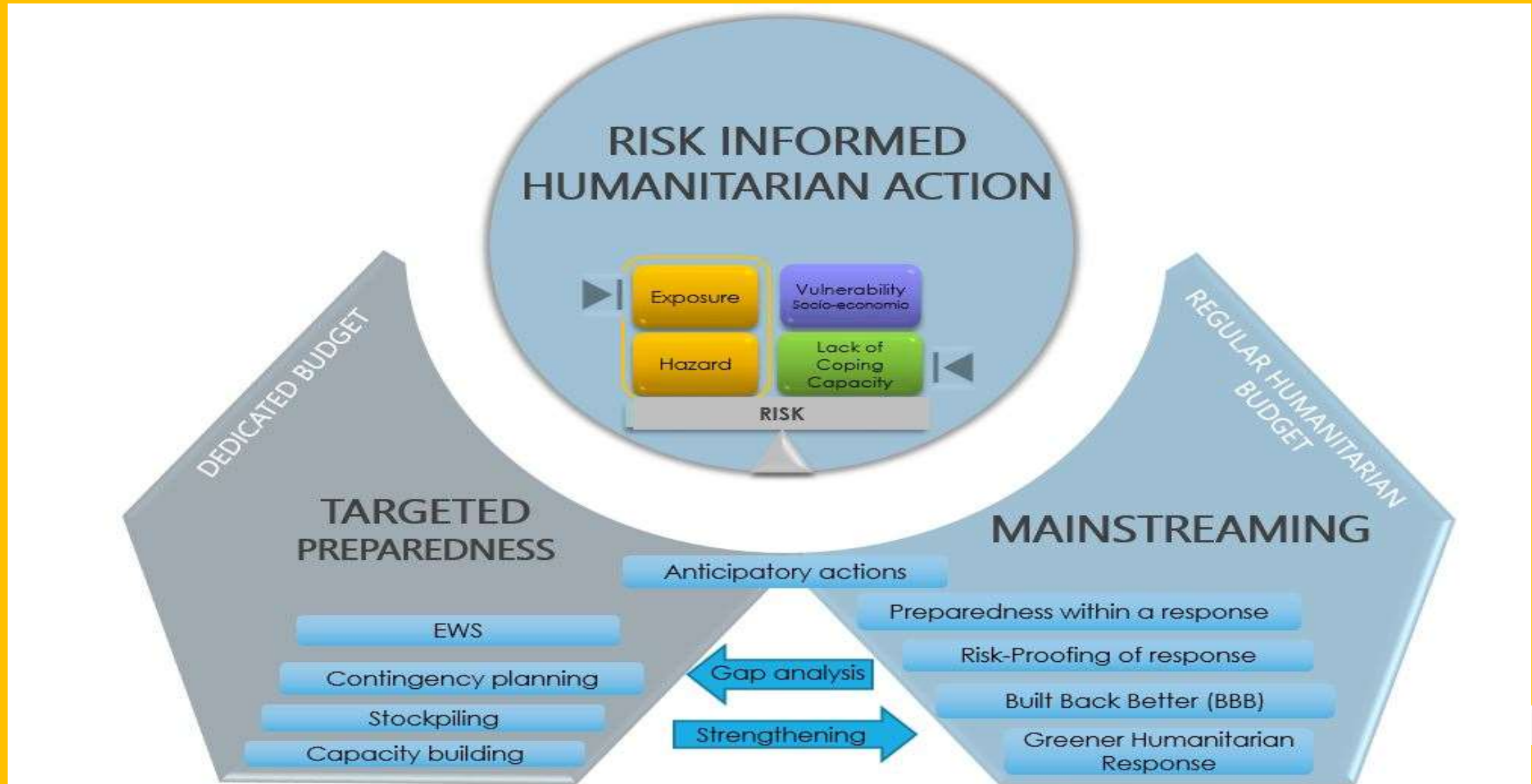
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A shift in focus...

Disaster Preparedness (DP) is DG ECHO's primary contribution to disaster risk reduction (DRR)/Sendai priority 4

- Achieve greater coherence with DG ECHO's mandate for humanitarian assistance.
- Avoid overlaps with development instruments and donors focused on long-term DRR.
- Adopt a system approach - building capacity of national and local governments.

DP & Risk Informed Approach



Key elements ⁽¹⁾

- **Disaster:**
 - Natural hazards (earthquakes, cyclones/hurricanes, storms, tsunamis, floods and drought);
 - Conflict and violence;
 - Disease outbreaks and epidemics, such as Ebola or Covid-19;
 - Technological and industrial hazards.
- **Multi-hazard and multi-threat:** preparedness to all emergencies.

Key elements (2)

- **Risk Based:** risk analysis to complement needs approach
- **Anticipation/Early Action:** to be promoted as a way of reducing impact of events and humanitarian needs
- **Climate and environmental considerations:** to be factored into all operations (greening)
- **Localisation:** building capacities of local actors (first responders)

Key elements ⁽³⁾ - LAC specific

DG ECHO's **focus on vulnerable groups** - particularly:

- “People on the move”, forcedly displaced people, asylum seekers.
- Priority on indigenous people - specifically in SAM.

Implementation modalities

A. Mainstreaming preparedness and risk reduction (risk-proofing) into humanitarian response:

- Critical element for managing crises more efficiently and effectively: increasing the coping capacities and resilience of communities and reducing the potential impact of immediate risks, while not adding new risks.

➡ *DG ECHO is promoting mainstreaming in ALL humanitarian action.*

B. Targeted preparedness: specific actions to strengthen preparedness for response and early action.

➡ *HDP Nexus approach applied throughout*

Implementation: complementary modalities

- **Nexus** with development actors - preferred impl. modality
- Strengthened **partnerships** with key actors (eg. climate and environmental experts/organisations)
- Strengthening collaboration with the Union Civil Protection Mechanism (**UCPM**)

DP Interventions (non-exhaustive)

- Early Warning Systems (EWS)
- Anticipatory Actions
- Logistics
- Strengthening capacity
- Shock Responsive Social Protection (SRSP)
- Cash preparedness
- Institutional, Policy and Legislative Frameworks
- Information management, data and technology
- Contingency planning
- Advocacy and awareness

Specific issues/situations:

- Climate and environmental resilience interventions
- Preparedness for protection
- Preparedness for conflict and violent situations
- Preparedness for drought
- Preparedness for displacement

2021-2024 Funding Priorities in DP

1. Risk-based and anticipatory actions;
2. Preparedness in conflict and fragile settings;
3. Climate and environmental resilience;
4. Urban preparedness.

Priorities cross-cutting themes

(integrated in the priorities)

- **Protection** - increase preparedness for ensuring protection in both disaster and conflict settings.
- **Logistics** - strengthen logistics capacities (partners and local actors) for more effective and efficient response.
- **Enhanced partnerships** with: emergency management authorities/civil protection, climate/scientific actors/academia, and private sector.

Tools: DP Guidance Note

- ***Dynamic document*** presenting:
 - DG ECHO's *policy orientation* on DP & risk informed approach to humanitarian action;
 - *operational recommendations* in preparedness for response and early action.
- **Target audience:** DG ECHO partners, Commission staff and other relevant stakeholders.

More info on the Guidance Note

- English, French and Spanish versions
- Online version only - ease dissemination, consultation and updating!
- Guidance Note on DG ECHO intranet and external website AND link on partners' websites

Questions & Answers



Thank-You!

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