

WORKING GROUPS

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Participants will be divided into 4
Discussion Groups

Aim of Working Groups

To analyse and integrate the points of views of
representatives of rescue associations and of
persons with disabilities



WGs TOPICS AND SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- WG 1:** “Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities” versus corrent legislation appropriateness.
- WG 2:** The perceived needs of persons with disabilities in case of river flooding or similar situations
- WG 3:** Comparing experiences from different countries in the rescue of persons with disabilities
- WG 4:** Future possible communications links between the actors of FSD project



DESCRIPTION OF WORKING GROUP 1

WG 1: “Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities”
versus corrent legislation appropriateness.
(*Art. 11. situation of risk and humanitarian emergencies*)

Specific objective: *To carry out a reasoned analysis to identify shortcomings of current legislation in partner countries.*

Question prompts

- ✓ According to your experience, is the Convention applied in your country with regard of the safety of persons with disabilities?
- ✓ Do you think that the legislation of your country is aligned with the principles of the Convention?



DESCRIPTION OF WORKING GROUP 2

WP 2: The perceived needs of persons with disabilities in case of river flooding or similar situations

Specific objective: *To share the perceived needs of persons with disabilities collected through Focus Groups.*

Question prompts

For disabled associations representatives:

- ✓What do you really know about the existing procedures/protocols?
- ✓Do you trust rescuers? Why? Have you already been involved in a disaster?
- ✓Would you be interested in participating in a rescue simulation experience?

For rescuers and representatives of associations of disabled persons?

- ✓ What do you think about disabled persons' procedures knowledge?
- ✓What do we know about each other?



DESCRIPTION OF WORKING GROUP 3

WG 3: “Comparing different experience from participating countries.
Rapid reaction protocols: knowledge and limit identification”

Specific objective: *To high light weaknesses in rapid reaction protocols
and identify best practices to share them.*

Question prompts

- ✓ Can you identify strenghts and weaknesses by comparing different procedures?
- ✓ Can you draft a single document including all the best pratices detected by the document comparison?



DESCRIPTION OF WORKING GROUP 4

WP 4: Future perspectives: to look for possible communications links between the two main actors of FSD project

Specific objective: *To identify a tool (e.g. a web forum) to keep Dialogue open between associations of persons with disabilities and rescue associations*

Question prompts

- ✓ How can the dialogue between disabled people's associations and rescuers be kept open and improved?
- ✓ Which communication media should be employed to create a network?

