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Supporting Disaster Preparedness

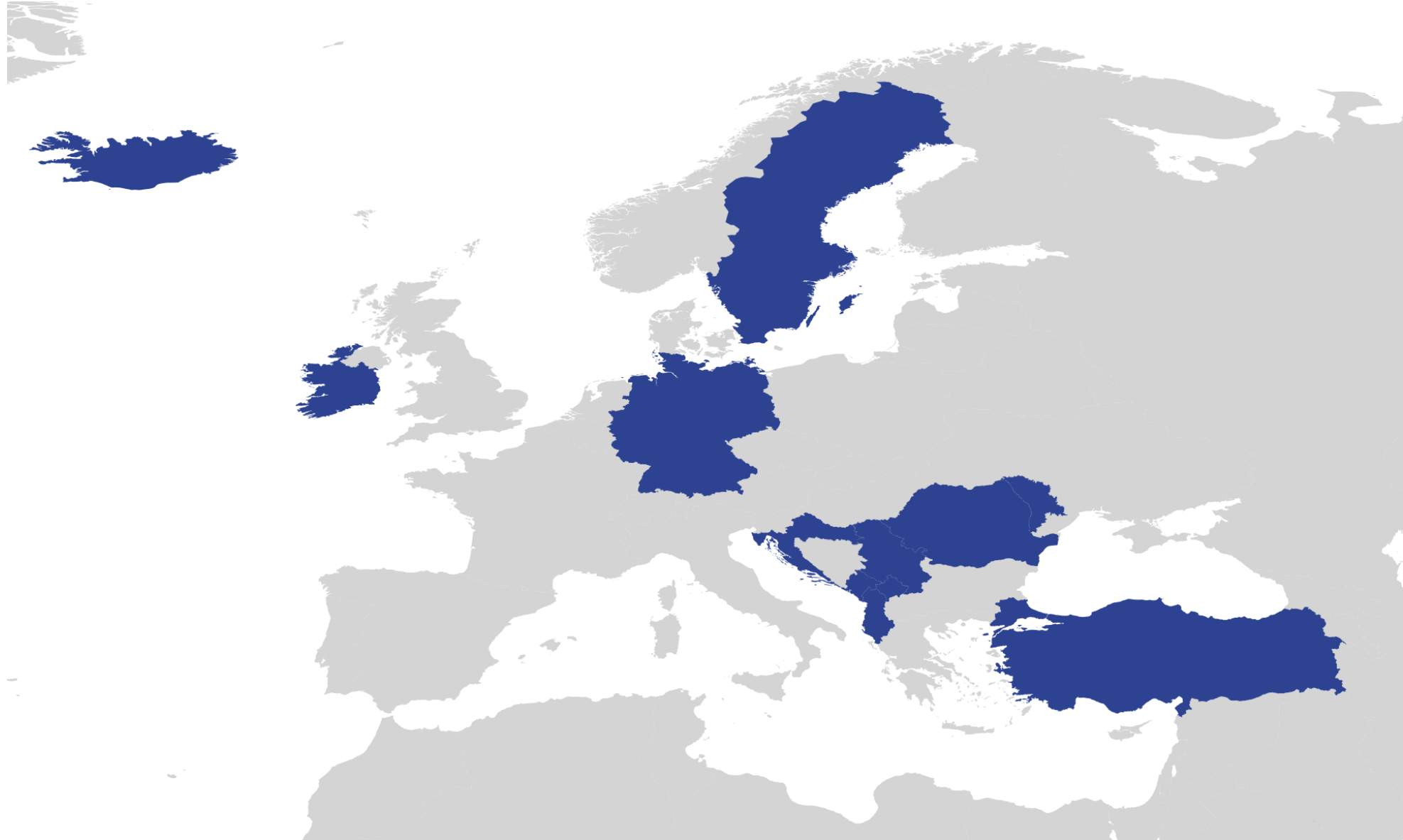
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What is TAFF?

- ✓ **A technical assistance instrument launched in 2024 funded by UCPM,** alongside others available to EU Member States and UCPM Participating States
- ✓ **Turn-key assistance for disaster prevention and preparedness** supporting individual countries, and generating knowledge for the UCPM community
- ✓ **TAFF is a partnership** between the **European Commission (DG ECHO)**, the **World Bank** and the **Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR, housed within the World Bank)**
- ✓ **Non-financial support mechanism.** Grants are not provided directly to beneficiaries. All activities are implemented by the World Bank through their international and local experts

Which countries benefit from TAFF? 13 countries

- Albania
- Croatia
- Germany
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Kosovo*
- Moldova
- Montenegro
- North Macedonia
- Romania
- Serbia
- Sweden
- Türkiye



How are countries benefitting TAFF?

The TAFF overall objective is to strengthen the knowledge and capacities of countries under the UCPM for disaster prevention and preparedness

**Strengthening
institutional capacity**

**Promoting smart
investments**

**Improving
knowledge base**

- ✓ **Inform reforms and modernization** of governance, infrastructure, systems
- ✓ **Review of current status, understanding gaps and opportunities**
- ✓ **Filling capacity gaps** with knowledge & training
- ✓ **Innovative solutions & emerging topics**
- ✓ **Generation of risk analytics & evidence** to inform decisions and investments
- ✓ **Public perception, community awareness, and social inclusion**
- ✓ **Review of good practice and examples**

How are countries benefitting TAFF? 15 + 2 projects

2024 Projects:

- [Albania: Strengthening Fire Risk Management and Search and Rescue Capacity](#)
- [Germany: Return of Investments in Disaster Resilience Measures: Identifying measures & generating evidence to inform decision-making](#)
- [Iceland: Towards an Integrated Wildfire Risk Management](#)
- [Kosovo: Improving Disaster Risk Understanding, Impact-Based Forecasting, and Early Warning](#)
- [Moldova: Strengthening Moldova's Preparedness to Natural Hazards, Climate-related Shocks, and Health Emergencies](#)
- [North Macedonia: Resilience Investments, Governance and Recovery for Disaster Risk Reduction in North Macedonia](#)
- [Romania: Assistance for Post-Disaster Improvement and Development](#)
- [Türkiye: Enhancement of the Flood Early Warning System in Samsun and Communication Strategy](#)
- [UCPM \(regional\): Enhancing Policy and Investments for EU Disaster and Climate Resilience](#)

2025 Projects:

- [Croatia: Evidence for Modernising the Firefighting System in the Republic](#)
- [Ireland: Good Practice and Recommendations for Strengthening the National Strategic Policy Framework for Emergency Management](#)
- [Kosovo: Enhancing National Crisis Preparedness and Wildfire Risk Management](#)
- [Montenegro: Enhancing Disaster Resilience and Continuity of IT Infrastructure & Services in the Operational Communication Center 112](#)
- [Serbia: Strengthening Emergency Management and Disaster Preparedness](#)
- [Sweden: Review of the State of the Art of National Disaster Loss Databases](#)
- [Türkiye - Resilient İzmir: A Strategic and Inclusive Initiative for Multi-Hazard Preparedness and Risk Reduction](#)
- [UCPM \(regional\): Enhancing Policy and Investments for EU Disaster and Climate Resilience – Phase 2](#)

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Strengthening institutional capacity

- ✓ **Ireland** – emergency management planning
- ✓ **Romania** – disaster recovery framework
- ✓ **Croatia** – modernization of firefighting capacities
- ✓ **North Macedonia** – strategic planning
- ✓ **Montenegro** – continuity planning

Promoting smart investments

- ✓ **Serbia** – improving risk assessment and planning
- ✓ **Albania** – intervention units sizing
- ✓ **Romania** – disaster recovery framework
- ✓ **Moldova** – early warning and health preparedness
- ✓ **Türkiye** – warning and risk communication

Improving knowledge base

- ✓ **Germany** – costs and benefits of investing in resilience
- ✓ **Sweden** – damage and loss system
- ✓ **Iceland** – wildfire risk management
- ✓ **Türkiye** – inclusive public awareness
- ✓ **Kosovo** – community engagement

How about TAFF regional knowledge?



Want to learn more?

[Email UCPM_TAFF@worldbank.org](mailto:UCPM_TAFF@worldbank.org)

<https://www.gfdrr.org/en/taff>



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Talk to TAFF core team and team leaders



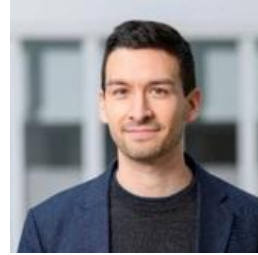
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