

# **European Commission DG ECHO Disaster risk management Peer Review Programme**

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# Purpose of EU peer reviews

- **Support tool** for prevention and preparedness under the EU Civil Protection Mechanism, also included in Sendai Framework
- Promote an **integrated approach** to disaster risk management, linking risk prevention, preparedness and response actions
- Peer reviews are **interactive**: mutual learning, exchange of best practice, policy dialogue

# EU peer review history

## Peer-reviewed countries

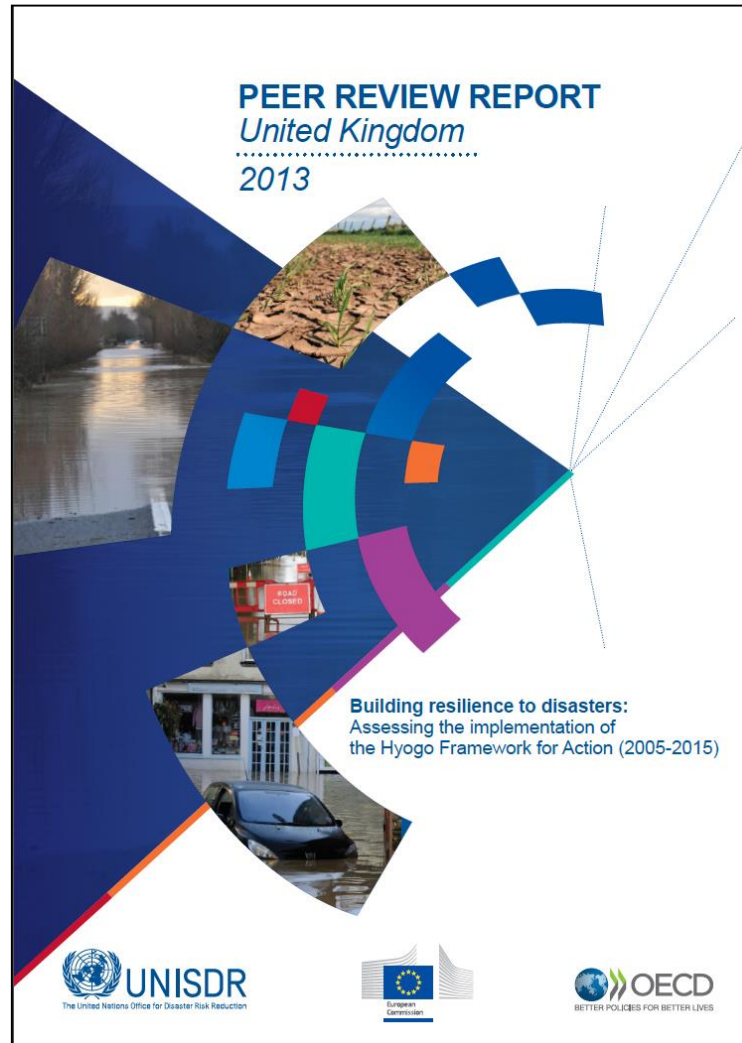
Country	Date	Review	Report
United Kingdom	2013	Building resilience to disasters: assessing the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action	<a href="#">en</a>
Finland	2014	Building resilience to disasters: assessing the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action	<a href="#">en</a>
Bulgaria	2015	General Disaster risk management	<a href="#">en-bg</a>
Georgia	2015	Risk assessment and early warning	<a href="#">en-ge</a>
Turkey	2015	General Disaster risk management	<a href="#">en-tk</a>
Estonia	2016	Risk management capabilities	<a href="#">en</a>
Malta	2016	Risk assessment	<a href="#">en</a>
Poland	2016	Risk assessment	<a href="#">en-pl</a>



Pilot reviews  
EU/UNISDR/OECD

Source: DG ECHO: [http://ec.europa.eu/echo/what-we-do/civil-protection/peer-review\\_en](http://ec.europa.eu/echo/what-we-do/civil-protection/peer-review_en)

# Peer review history – pilot reviews on HFA implementation





# Peer review history – general reviews



# Peer review history – thematic reviews



Risk assessment and  
early warning



Risk assessment



Risk management capabilities

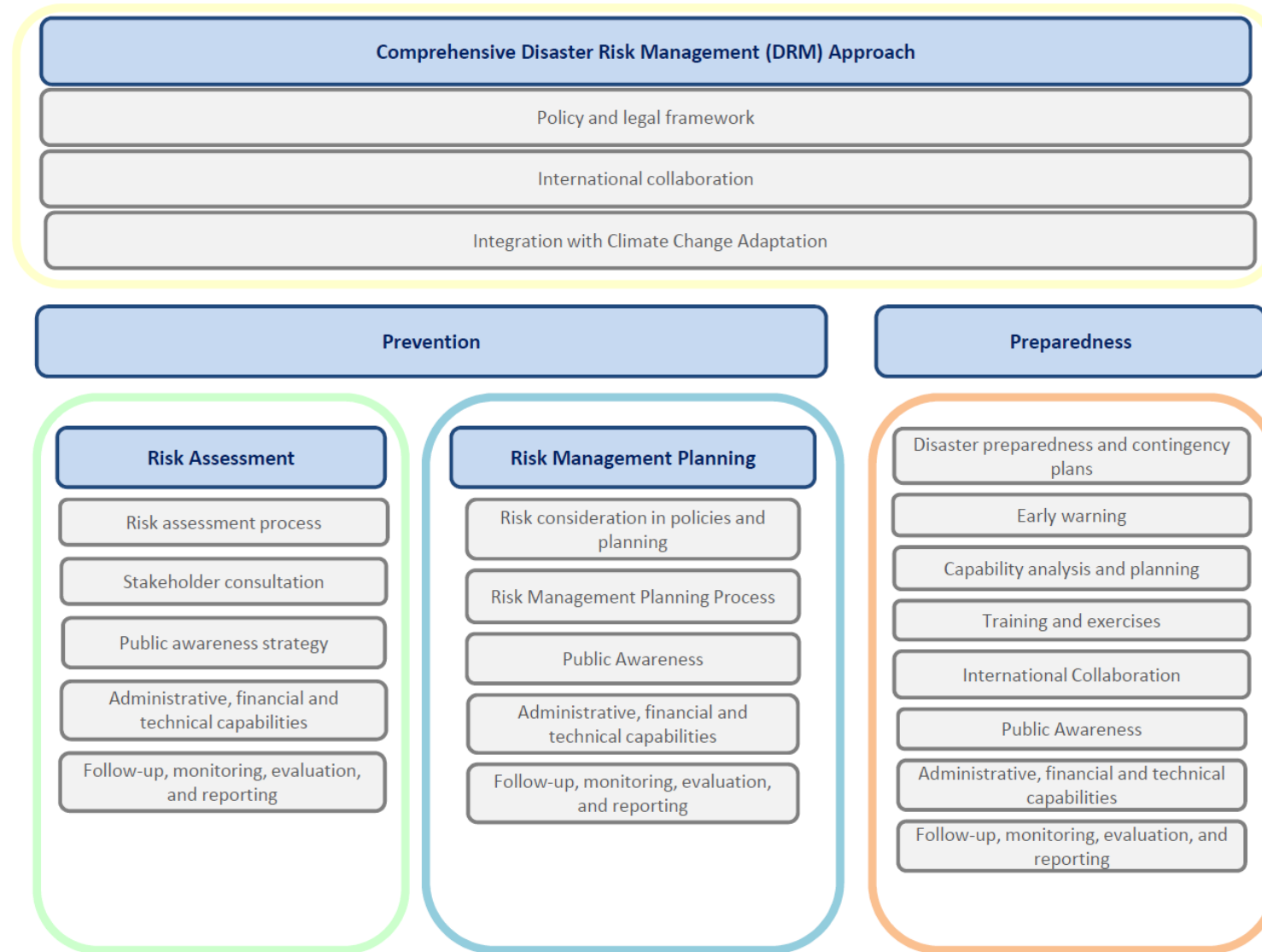


Risk assessment

# Peer Reviews 2018-2019

- All reviews include a comprehensive disaster risk management element and a visit to the sub-national level;
- Prevention (Risk Assessment, Risk Management Planning) and preparedness are either addressed jointly (**General Review**) or separately and in-depth (**Thematic Review**);
- Planning:
  - 2018: **Cyprus**, **former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia**, **Tunisia**
  - 2019: **Algeria**, **Portugal**, **Serbia**

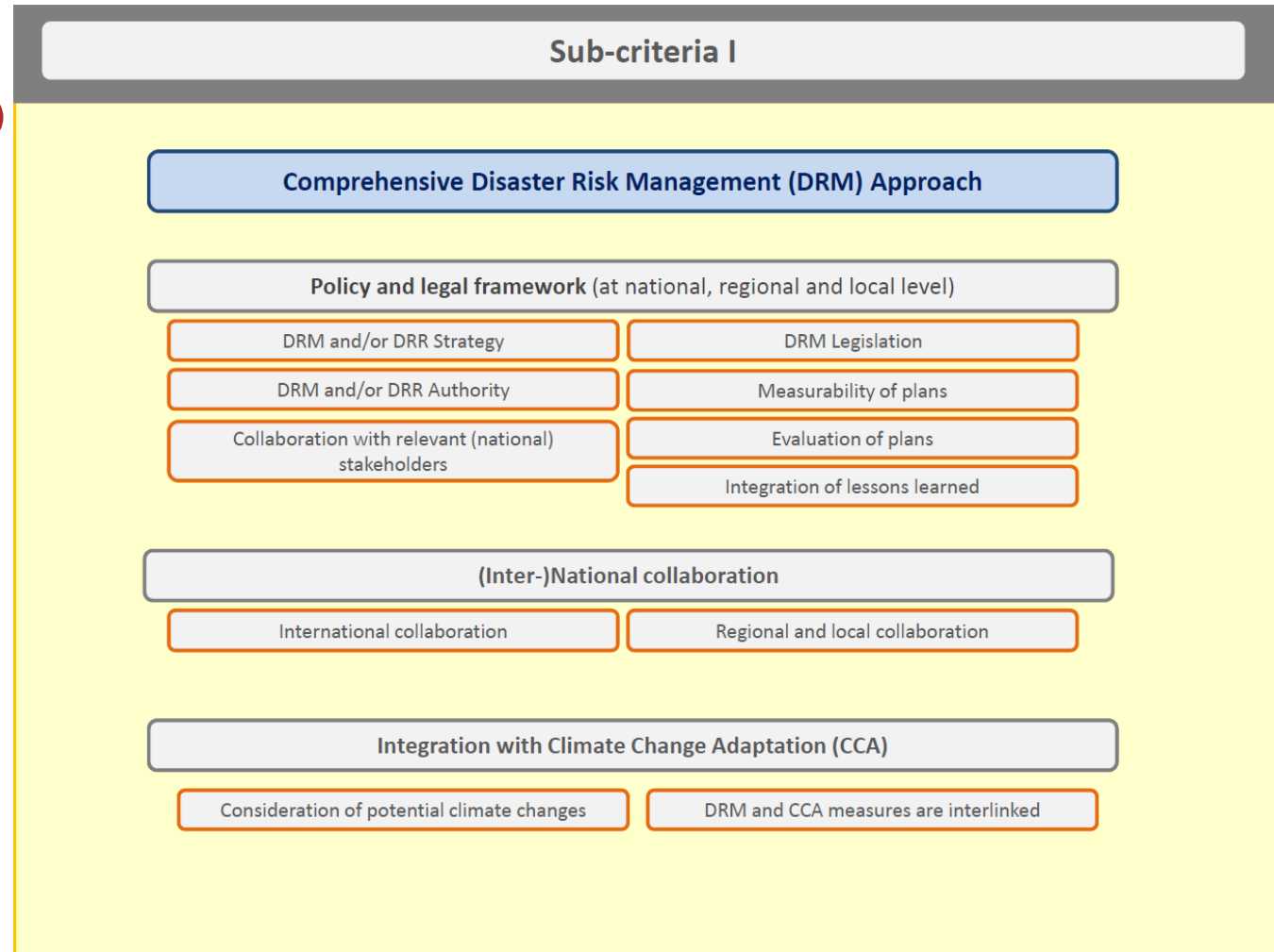
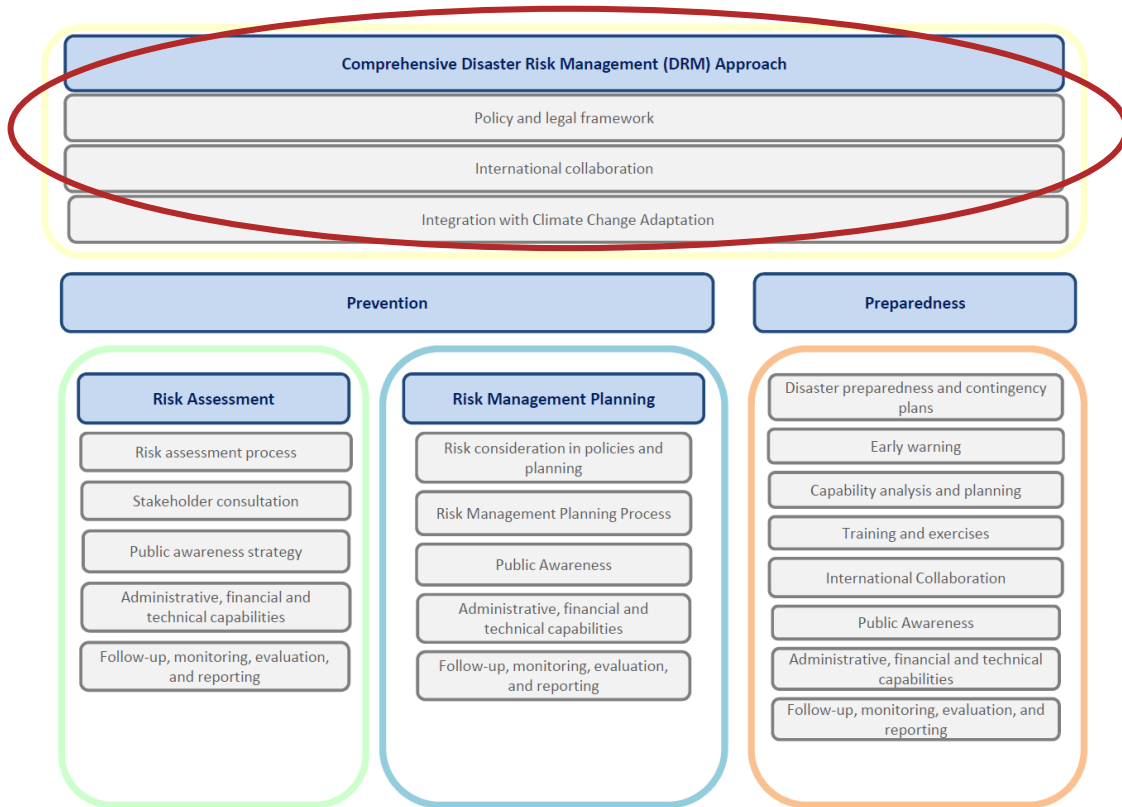
# The 2018-2019 Review Framework





# The Review Framework

The framework is further detailed for each category:



# Key roles in peer reviews

- Peers = experts that
  - i. Assess the disaster risk management system and practices;
  - ii. Identify best practice;
  - iii. Make recommendations.
- Reviewed country:
  - i. Cooperation with third parties (EU and non-EU);
  - ii. Gather experts' opinion;
  - iii. Commit to the process and use results
- European Commission (and organising team):
  - i. Inform the process by providing policy framework;
  - ii. Accompany and advise, NOT review;
  - iii. Quality control
  - iv. Fund the programme

# Post-review impacts and follow-up

- Bilateral contacts and exchange of good practice
- Validate existing policies and processes, contributing to reforms and DRR reporting
- Lessons learnt – to improve process and promote adoption of recommendations
- Link to other EU programmes
- 2020 +