

DISASTER RESILIENCE

PITCH SESSION



COOSS MARCHE ONLUS *in nutshell:*

- Located in **Ancona - Marche Region (Central Italy)**
- **Non-profit private organisation, which, since 1979, provides health social and care services (both home services and daily centers, residential facilities, etc.)** addressed to persons in need such as **elderly people, persons with physical and mental health disabilities, children**, etc., all over the Marche Region.
- **Over 2,600** members/employees who provide services to approximately **8,000 users**
- Since **1993** the **Department of Research and Training** (officially recorded as Research Institute by the Italian Ministry of University and Research in 2012) participates in the **EU and National research projects** on current and emerging social phenomena, **identifies and tests innovative approaches** at national and European level through the **transfer and application of know-how at local level.**

COOSS' experience in EU Projects:

The R&T Department participates in many relevant projects funded by European programmes, as partner and/or leader (applicant), in the following areas:

Research and Technological Innovation

Horizon2020 (PHC 2015, CULT-COOP 2017, DTH 2018); Framework Programmes – FP, such as FP4, FP5 and FP7; Competitiveness and Innovation Programme ICT Policy Support Programme (CIP-ICT PSP); Ambient Assisted Living Joint Programme (AAL JP); etc.

Vocational Education and Training

ErasmusPlus; Life Long Learning Programme; European Integration Fund; European Social Fund; etc.

Development and Cooperation

Adriatic, Interreg IIIA, IPA Adriatic CBC, EuropeAid, etc.

Challenges of the Society and Social Policies

Progress; Daphne; Equal; Youth in Action; Europe for citizens; etc.



OUR TARGETED TOPIC

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Human factors, and social, societal, and organisational aspects for disaster-resilient societies

Our major needs:

- Creating innovative network or taking part in existing networks of security practitioners/experts in the field of social and health care (e.g. safety and security measures for residents of nursing homes, assisted living facilities, etc.) to share good practices, exchange specific expertise, create innovative processes and procedures, and develop new project ideas on issues related to fragile people, emergency planning, disaster risk prevention, etc.
- Building/Stimulating/Reinforcing our dialogue with first responders, other security practitioners, social services, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers at local level to enhance the resilience of our services dedicated to those persons **(inclusive approach)**.
- Organising/Implementing innovative training courses and practical exercises (in collaboration with first responders and other security experts) to reinforce the disaster preparedness of our social-healthcare staff and to better assist and protect our residents and assisted persons in case of emergency or disaster.

Our general idea/aim is to establish an **INCLUSIVE PUBLIC-PRIVATE NETWORK (PRE AND POST-EMERGENCY/DISASTERS)** able to jointly develop **innovative, effective and inclusive solutions/processes/approaches/technologies** to **enhance disaster resilience of persons with disabilities** and their families/caregivers.

List of the complementary skills we need for our consortium:

Public/Private security practitioners

First responders (other than IT)

Disability/Elderly services providers – **pilot sites** (other than IT)

Disaster Managers of residential facilities

ICTs experts

Data protection experts

Research Centers/Universities (other than IT)

Associations of persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers

Local/Regional authorities (other than IT)

COOSS' consolidated experience, knowledge and skills:

- collaborating to or leading national and international projects (available to coordinate);
- analysis of the needs/expectations of users/beneficiaries and definition of possible solutions;
- research and development of models and processes of social intervention and training;
- analysis and evaluation of good practices;
- experimentation, validation and testing of innovative solutions and approaches;
- implementation of campaigns for the dissemination, awareness raising, information and promotion of research activities;
- evaluation of activities, results and impacts, with respect to the models and processes of social intervention and training.

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