
Navigating Disruptions to Global Health Security in Europe: Examples of Collaboration and the Role of NPHIs

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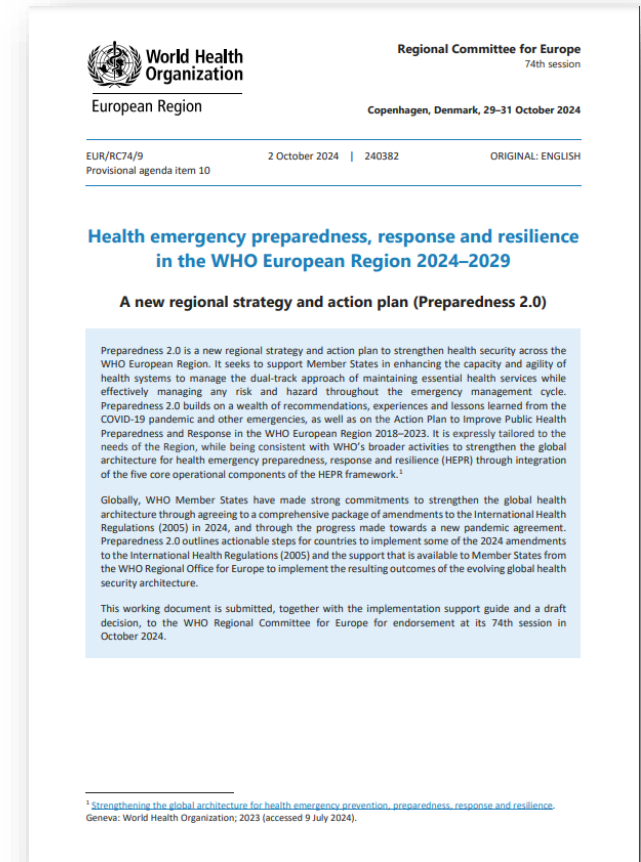
European Region

National Public Health Agencies (NPHAs) highlighted as critical contributors to health security:

- **Preparedness 2.0:** Strategy and action plan on health emergency preparedness, response and resilience in the WHO European Region, 2024-2029
- **European Programme of Work (EPW2) 2026- 2030** – for considerations at this years WHO Regional Committee for Europe

From frameworks to practical examples

1. Regional coordination and exchange of intelligence through IHR Platforms
2. Partnering on RCCE-IM
3. Operational Role in Global Response networks



Preparedness 2.0

The National IHR Focal Point network

Enhancing coordination and communication for timely reporting and response to public health emergencies

- **IHRNFP centre situated in NPHIs in 24 countries**
- **Maintaining a European network since 2007**
 - Sub-regional exchange and workshops
 - Twinning, Peer- to- peer exchange & regular webinars
 - Joint annual exercises- JADE – 25-27th November 2025
 - IHRNFP Knowledge network



The National IHR Authority network

Coordinating overall IHR implementation

- **New! Entered into force in September 2025**
- **National Designation ongoing, with deadline of 31 December**



Partnering on RCCE-IM (risk communication, community engagement and infodemic management)

Preparedness for mass gatherings Germany, France, Italy and Portugal NPHIs

Joint public health advice for travellers with WHO/Europe and ECDC

- Consistent, evidence-based messaging across all countries.
- Third-party validation to reinforce trust and credibility.
- Official information sources and counter false information.

RCCE- IM capacity building Belgium and Germany NPHIs

Implementation of new online tools to map capabilities and build plans

- Translation and localization to ensure accessibility and relevance
- Technical guidance on tool use and process adaptation
- WHO/Europe support for coordinated national implementation

Joint public health advice* for EuroPride events 2025 in Portugal



Pocket RCCE-IM Plan Creator

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NPHIs Operational Role in Global Response Networks

Emergency Operations Centers Network (EOC- NET)

- **8 EOCs in the WHO European Region are managed by NPHIs**
- EOCs - Coordination Hubs for Public Health Emergencies

Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN)

- **22 NPHIs in the WHO European Region are members of the (GOARN)**
- GOARN - Deployment mechanisms for experts from NPHIs

Emergency Medical Teams (EMT) Initiative

- Integrating PH experts from NPHIs into EMT capacities
- EMT - Deployment mechanisms for experts from NPHIs in outbreak scenario



Strengthening Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Capacities of National Public Health Public Agencies (NPHAs)

Mapping EPR Capabilities related to NPHAs in the WHO European Region

- Understand better EPR governance and distribution of key functions
- Determine needs for assistance & engagement
- Adapting tools and support to priority needs of NPHIs including all- hazards tools

Regional Survey planned for Q4 2025/Q1 2026

Thank you

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