

NALAS activities in support to flooded areas



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Background

- After the severe floods of May 2014, the whole NALAS network was immediately mobilized to provide support
- Survey:
 - What did the Association do after the calls for support sent by NALAS and its affected member LGAs?
 - What concrete support did the LGA provide?
 - What concrete support did the members provide through the LGA?
 - To which LGA and/or municipality/ies did the help go?

Findings

- There is no coordinated mechanism for support to municipalities during disasters
- All NALAS member LGAs sent the calls for help to all their members via various channels
- The support was going either directly, municipality to municipality, or, in most of the cases, via the Red Cross
- Challenge in collecting the data

Findings

- Direct financial support by some of the LGAs
- All LGAs had a coordination role in mobilizing the support
- The total reported support values around 250,000 EUR financial support and 3,000 tons of goods
- For illustration, Turkey alone provided over 1,5 million EUR-worth goods support to Bosnia and Herzegovina

Next steps

- NALAS Board Meeting in September 2014
- NALAS TFs in UP and SWW will take the lead to produce: **LGA Manual**; List of **policy** issues relevant to disaster preparedness and management; Draft a NALAS network **structure and protocol** for acting in emergency situations
- **Capacity building** for LGAs in disaster management

Thank you!

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