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Strengthening the tourism sector's ability to anticipate,  
prepare for and respond to climate-related risks.



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## Enhancing Resilience in Tourism through Education and Skills

Tourism destinations across Europe are increasingly exposed to climate-related hazards, natural disasters and complex emergency situations. These challenges directly affect tourism operators, local communities and public authorities, highlighting the need for stronger preparedness, coordination and resilience within the tourism sector.

RETES – Enhancing Resilience in Tourism through Education and Skills – is an Erasmus+ project that responds to these challenges by strengthening disaster risk management competences in the tourism sector. The project promotes cooperation between tourism operators, vocational education and training (VET) providers and civil protection stakeholders, transforming real operational experiences into structured and transferable training solutions at European level.

### Project Objectives

The RETES project aims to:

- **Increase awareness and competences in disaster risk management (DRM)** among tourism operators, with a focus on prevention, preparedness and response to climate-related risks and emergencies.
- **Improve the capacity of VET providers and trainers** to address resilience and emergency readiness in tourism-related training programmes, using innovative and practice-oriented methodologies.
- **Strengthen cooperation between the tourism sector and civil protection actors**, supporting better coordination, communication and joint planning at local level.
- **Contribute to safer and more resilient tourism destinations**, enhancing employability, service continuity and sustainable destination management.

### Project Approach

To achieve these objectives, RETES adopts a collaborative and practice-based approach that actively involves all relevant stakeholders throughout the project lifecycle.

The project combines research, training development and pilot testing, ensuring that the produced outputs respond to real needs identified at local level. Tourism operators, VET trainers and civil protection representatives contribute directly to the analysis of challenges, the design of training materials and the validation of the proposed solutions.

## Main Activities and Results

To support skills development and cooperation, RETES includes the implementation of the following key activities:

- **Analysis of local tourism and DRM ecosystems**, carried out in each partner country through desk research, surveys and workshops. This activity examines how tourism actors and civil protection mechanisms currently interact, identifying gaps, needs and opportunities for improvement.
- **Development of methodological guidelines and collaborative action plans** to enhance cooperation, preparedness and coordination between tourism and disaster risk management actors at local level.
- **Design of innovative vocational training materials**, including digital micro-learning units and guidelines for table-top exercises (TTX), addressing real risk scenarios faced by tourism operators.
- **Pilot training activities**, involving tourism operators, VET trainers and civil protection stakeholders, to test and validate the training materials in real professional contexts.
- **Introduction of open badges and micro-credentials**, supporting the recognition and visibility of competences acquired through the RETES training activities.

## Expected Impact

Through its integrated approach, RETES aims to generate a tangible impact on the tourism and training sectors by:

- **Improving disaster preparedness and resilience** among tourism professionals.
- **Enhancing cooperation** between tourism operators and civil protection authorities.
- **Increasing the relevance and quality** of vocational training in tourism.
- Supporting **safer, more resilient and more sustainable** tourism destinations across Europe.

To stay updated on the planned activities and opportunities offered by the RETES project, stakeholders and interested organisations are invited to follow the official project communications and take part in the initiatives and events organised by the project partners.



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## General Information

**Project start date:** December 2025

**Project end date:** November 2027

**Project Partners:**

- European Project Consulting srl (Italy – Project Coordinator)
- European University Cyprus (Cyprus)
- Community Crisis Intervention (Greece)
- SocialInnolabs Foundation (Spain)
- Ministry of the Interior – Directorate for Protection and Rescue (Montenegro)
- Oloklirosi (Greece)
- ENAIP – Ente Nazionale ACLI Istruzione Professionale (Italy)

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