

**PLAN OF ACTION
OF THE BSEC AD HOC WORKING GROUP
OF THE EXPERTS IN SEISMIC RISK
1 January 2019 - 31 December 2020
Country-Coordinator: the Russian Federation**

The present Action Plan in the field of cooperation on Seismic Risk sets the main guidelines for enhancing mutually beneficial co-operation in the respective field between the BSEC Member States for the period 2019-2020.

In its activities the Ad Hoc Working Group will be guided by the provisions of the Agreement among the Governments of the Participating States of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) on collaboration in Emergency Assistance and Emergency Response to natural and man-made Disasters, BSEC Economic Agenda: Towards an Enhanced BSEC Partnership, Resolutions, Decisions and Recommendations of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, decisions of the Ministers in charge of Emergency Assistance of the BSEC Member States, the BSEC Public Communication Strategy and the Terms of Reference of the Working Group.

During the period 2019-2020, the Ad Hoc Working Group will be focused on the following main priorities:

- Enhancing coordination among the BSEC Member States in reducing the consequences of seismic risk and on providing necessary assistance in case of emergency situations in the BSEC Member States.
- Strengthening cooperation among the BSEC Member States on developing and use of modern technologies to reduce seismic risks.
- Promoting regional trainings, seminars and scientific conferences aimed at the achievement of better application of joint efforts in case of seismic risks.

The Ad Hoc Working Group will continue to encourage and support the training seminars and conferences aimed at exchanging experiences and best practices in the Emergency Assistance among experts of the BSEC Member States, other countries and international organizations.

To achieve these objectives, we provide the following recommendations to member countries:

1. Collaborating through exchange of expertise, knowledge and experience among member countries with the object of elimination of consequences of earthquakes.
2. Contribute to seismic protection of the population, through seismic risk reduction in the BSEC Member States.
3. Data exchange on seismic hazard maps, forecast of possible seismic hazard violations and geophysical data monitoring in order to create Seismic Hazard (risk) Maps of BSEC Member States.
4. Estimation of seismic resistance of buildings and structures (damaged buildings and structures) using the "Struna" technology (by the request of the affected country).

PLANNED MEETINGS

Meeting of the BSEC Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts in Seismic Risk, BSEC Headquarters, 5th November 2019.