



**PROTOCOL  
OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP  
ON THE CREATION OF THE REGIONAL EARLY WARNING AND MUTUAL  
INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR DISASTER THREATS AND OCCURRENCE**

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*Almaty, Kazakhstan*

**We, members of the Technical working group (TWG) on the creation of the Regional Early Warning and Mutual Information System for disaster threats and occurrence (REWS),** guided by paragraph 2 of the Protocol of the Regional Forum – Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of the Central Asian countries (signed on 6 October 2022 in Dushanbe, Tajikistan) and taking into account risks of large-scale and transboundary disasters in the Central Asian region, in which 40 of the 75 million people live under the constant threat of transboundary disasters, such as earthquakes, mudflows, flooding, droughts etc.

Having heard and discussed the issues of the TWG first meeting agenda, in order to take further measures to create the Regional early warning and mutual information system for transboundary disaster threats and occurrence;

**made the following decision:**

1. To take note of the information provided:

- on the national multi-hazard disaster monitoring systems and early warning systems;
- on the progress of the project “Climate Risk Management in Central Asia” implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH regarding the creation of transboundary early warning system for hydrological disasters.

2. To recommend to the CESDRR to fulfill an analysis and assessment of existing disaster monitoring systems and national early warning systems of CA countries based on the submitted country reports as well as responses of TWG members in the online questionnaire.

3. The TWG members to submit proposals and comments to the draft Terms of Reference on the creation of REWS no later than 5 October 2023.

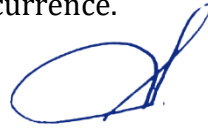
4. To elect Bakhtiyar Ospanov, the senior expert of the CESDRR, as the Secretary of TWG.

5. To support and consider it possible to compile a collective appeal of the Heads of Emergency Authorities of the CA countries to the leadership of the UN and the World Meteorological Organization on the need to create the Regional Early Warning and Mutual Information System for transboundary disaster threats and occurrence.

**We express our gratitude and appreciation,**

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