



French Association for Disaster Risk Reduction – AFPCNT

General presentation and examples of actions

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Who we are



The **French Association for Disaster Risk Prevention (AFPCNT)** has been operating since 2001 in the field of disaster risk management.

The goal of the AFPCNT is to promote and develop **a permanent, transverse and multirisk platform of stakeholders (individuals and organizations)** involved in disaster risk reduction activities.

Our action, focused both on risk culture and resilience, aims to raise awareness among the people to prepare them to face natural and technological risks.

Since 2022, the AFPCNT is supported by the **French Ministry of Environnement**.

23 years
of
activity

**A 17 –
person
staff**

167 active
members in
2024

Who we are



A **global** and **multidisciplinary** approach

A **national** (Metropolitan France and Overseas) and **international level network**

A large **diversity of stakeholders** (scientists, disaster risk experts, scholars, public stakeholders, municipalities, associations, companies, state representatives and civil society, citizens, etc.)

Our historical missions and a new one



From its creation, our organization is divided in four distinct and complementary missions (mission 1 to 4). A new one (mission 5) has been added in 2025 :

Mission 1

Facilitating risk actors' network

Mission 2

Scientific and technical animation (scientific council)

Mission 3

Territorial and cross-sectoral actions

Mission 4

European and international actions

Mission 5

Risk culture

Our 5 key priorities



- 1 Contribute the **success of October 13th** as a national event for **disaster risk prevention**
- 2 Work together on **territory and organization resilience**
- 3 Promote the **development of risk actors' skills** by cross-cutting exchanges **between researchers, scientists, practitioners and civil society members**
- 4 Mobilize and lead the **overseas network**
- 5 Continue **substantive reflections** and develop **national and international partnerships**



**Commitment
Partnership
Expertise**

What we do

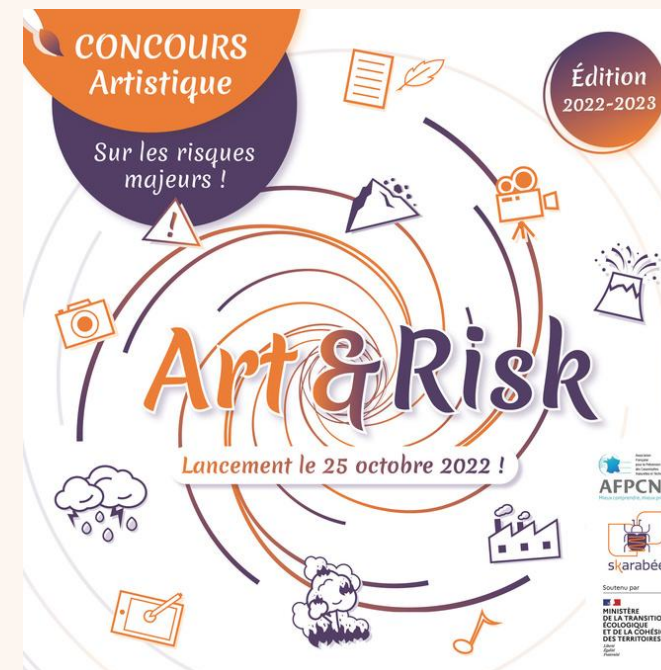


Development of disaster risk awareness

Sensitization on children, local representatives and mainstream through field animation using pedagogical tools :



Games, comics, [quizz](#)



Art contest



Flood risk simulators



Theatre plays



Webinars

Development of disaster risk awareness

Specific action : Prépa'Risk 2nd edition – Spring and Fall 2024

A campaign of online risk management simulation exercises that allow municipalities to test their activation crisis units and backup plans in case of natural or technological disasters.



More than **65%** of new players compared to the 2023 edition

90% of participants consider that it enhances the development of disaster risk culture

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ET DE LA GESTION DES CRISES

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1. French Ministry of Ecological transition

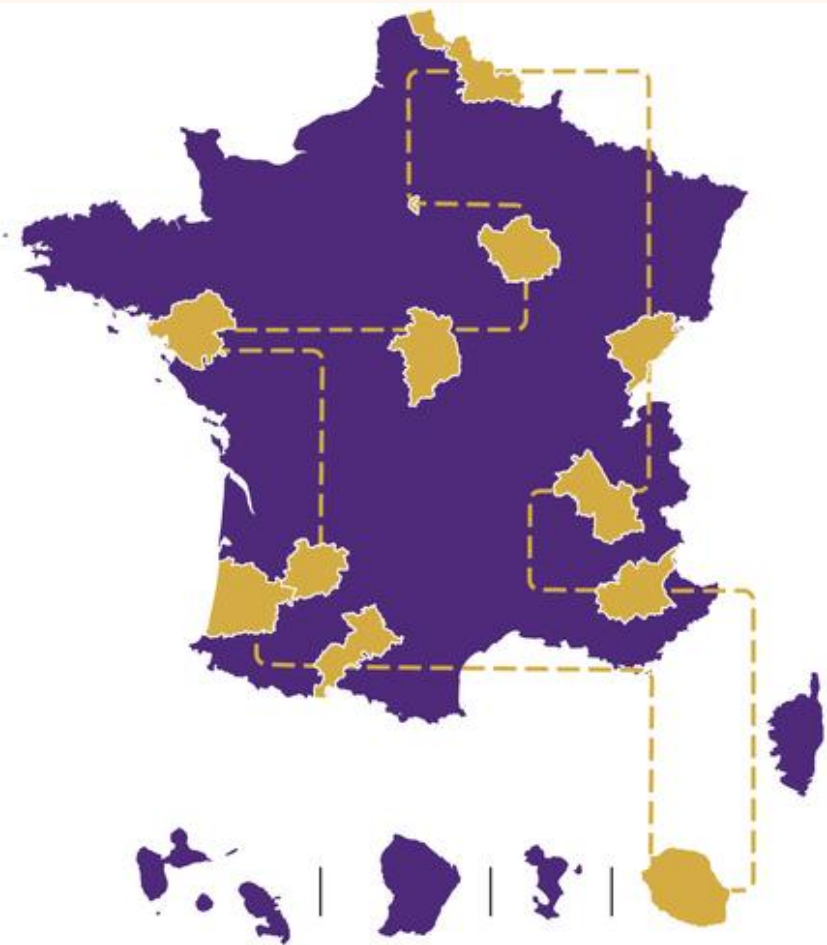
2. French Ministry of the Interior and Overseas Territories

3. French Civil Protection

13th October actions

Specific action : Resilience Tour – September 19 to December 15 2024

To propose at each stage a range of awareness-raising, information, role-playing and training actions which converge towards a single objective: to prepare populations, communities and local officials to face risks, strengthen their abilities to act in the face of crisis situations and develop their adaptation capacities to enable them to be active players in their territory.



Launched in 2022 by¹



Co-organized in 2023 and 2024 in collaboration with



10 partners embedded at the national level (AITF, CEPRI, AMARIS, ANCCLI, IFFO-RME, Mairie 2000, Résiliances, Prévention MAIF, SMACL Assurances, Protection Civile)
1. Major Risks Institute

Development of disaster risk awareness

Specific action : Adaptation of sensitization tools for people with disabilities



5 workshops
organized to
identify the needs of
the visually and
hearing impaired

Adaptation of **3**
sensitization tools
to meet specific
needs

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1. Risk Expertise Pole

Resilience

Action : Survey on the perception of risks amongst tourists and tourism industry professionals in France – August 2024



Source : Ghislaine Vermeist-Leblanc / AFPCNT

Conducting a survey to was to better understand the risks perceptions, attitudes and needs of tourists and mountain tourism and mountain tourism professionals. The survey was conducted on field in the North French Alps and via Meta and LinkedIn.

80% of respondents know that they are **exposed to natural and technological risks** in this mountain territory

58% of tourists say they are aware of **behaviour** in the event

The majority of respondents rate the **effectiveness of communication** tools to inform them between 5 and 7 out of 10.

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1. Alpin Pole for Natural Risk Prevention

Build Back Better

Specific action : Franco-Italian round table “Building Back Better around the seismic risk”

A workgroup co-led by the AFPCNT and AFPS that aims to develop a shared vision and a post-earthquake “Build Back Better” frame of reference common to the AFPCNT - AFPS with a multi-disciplinary territorial approach based on feedback from embodied experience in the territories, documenting long histories and the interweaving of the various organizational, technical, social, economic and other dimensions...



9 italian and french speakers (mayors, insurance sector, civil protection, experts...)

50 participants from a diversity of sector (scholars, experts, associations, state representatives...)

Co-led with¹



1. French Association for Earthquake Engineering

Scientific actions

Specific action : Scientific webinars

From March 25 to July 1, AFPCNT organized a series of webinars entitled “Les Rendez-vous du conseil scientifique”/“The Scientific Council meeting”. The aim was to create a dynamic that encourages members of the Scientific Advisory Board to take part and lead these meetings.



5 webinars held
in 2024 and
more upcoming
in 2025

81 participants
and 450 views
on youtube



Overseas actions

Specific action : Awareness-raising villages in La Reunion Island and Mayotte

AFPCNT organized two awareness-raising days on natural and technological risks, with a traveling village on September and October through numerous educational activities to help them prepare and share their experiences of these risks: production of a survival kit, knowledge of hazards, mapping, etc. These actions have been implemented in collaboration with many partners BRGM, DEALM, Naturalistes de Mayotte, PIROI, Mtsamboro municipality...



More than **1200 primary and middle school students** sensitized to local risks and inhabitants from local communities



European and international actions

Actions : Bilateral cooperation

To develop bilateral relations with foreign stakeholders in DRR creating an informal group between various organizations



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Actions : Multilateral cooperation

To integrate and monitor multilateral networks in DRR and exchange on good practices (CERIS, Climate Resilience Dialogue, DRMKC, FISLMA, SEM, GNDR...)



European
Commission



GADRI
Global Alliance of
Disaster Research Institutes



Other actions with various partners

Sensitization on children and mainstream :

- Risk'Co Tour
- Surveys led on listening and identifying the needs of the field
- Quizz on floods, forest fire, technological risk...

Overseas actions :

- Seminar in Martinique on the resilience of Overseas territories
- Regional symposium on resilience to natural risks in Mayotte and the Reunion Island

Resilience :

- Symposium on risk and tourisme
- Study on tools and methods of resilience
- Study on food security
- Survey on Cultural patrimony and disaster risks

International and scientific actions : Workgroups :

- Field missions
- Webinars risk-informed decision making within the initiative with IDRiM Society
- Symposium with IMdR

Build Back Better :

- Monitoring of architecture students' projects on risk adapt construction and reconstruction
- Feedback report on resilient buildings
- Report on *Building Back Better* after the technological disaster of AZF (Toulouse, 2001)
- Identification and recovery of BBB actions in France

- Risks and tourism
- Nature based solutions
- Cofferdams
- Vulnerable populations

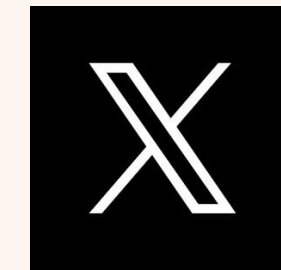
And many other events, conferences and studies

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