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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR EUROPEAN CIVIL PROTECTION AND HUMANITARIAN AID OPERATIONS (ECHO)
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The Director (acting)

49th meeting of the Directors-General for Civil Protection of the European Union, of the European Economic Area and of the candidate countries

Prague, Czech Republic, 5-6 October 2022

OREA Hotel Pyramida (Plenary room)

DRAFT AGENDA

	DAY 1 – Wednesday, 5 th October
10:00 - 10:15	Welcome & official opening of the meeting
	> Mr Michael KÖHLER, acting Director-General for European Civil Protection & Humanitarian Aid Operations will open the meeting and Mr Vladimír VLČEK, Director-General of Fire Rescue Service of the Czech Republic will welcome the participants on behalf of the Czech Presidency.
10:15-11:00	Plenary session I
	Item 1. Long-term emergencies: priority of the Czech Presidency
	Report on the Presidency Workshop "Prevention, preparedness and response to long-term emergencies"
	> The Czech Presidency will present the outcomes and recommendations from the Workshop organized on the topic of "Prevention, Preparedness, and Response to Long-term Emergencies".
11:00-11:30	Family photo and coffee break
11:30-13:00	Plenary session II
	Item 2. Lessons Learnt on the UCPM response to the war in Ukraine
	➤ The European Commission invites participants to exchange views on the lessons identified on the UCPM assistance delivered to Ukraine, the specific challenges for the winter and how to maintain the flow of UCPM assistance in the months ahead (based on a background paper to be circulated ahead of the meeting).
13:00 – 14:30	<u>Lunch</u>
14:30 – 15:00	Plenary session III
	Item 3. Info-point on the future participation in UCPM

	> The European Commission would like to report on the newest developments regarding the expansion of the UCPM participation.
15:00- 15:30	<u>Coffee break</u>
15:30- 17:00	Plenary session IV
	Item 4. Reinforcing forest fire prevention & preparedness (part I)
	> The Czech Presidency as part of their Council priorities on long-term emergencies will share their experience on the response to the 2022 forest fire season.
	Following the informal ministerial meeting on 5 September, the European Commission will present the state of play and the way forward on wildfire preparedness and response in the short and medium-term, in particular through rescEU. Participants are invited to focus their interventions on further actions envisaged at national level and possible contributions they can make at European level.
18:00 - 20:30	Social event- Cultural visit and dinner
	> The Czech Presidency has the pleasure to invite you on a boat cruise on the Vltava River with a tour of Prague's historic attractions, where also the formal dinner will be served.
	DAY 2 – Thursday, 6 th October
9:15-10:30	Plenary session V
	Item 4. Reinforcing forest fire prevention & preparedness (part II)
	Following the outcome of the informal ministerial meeting on 5 September, European Commission will also present the prevention actions in the area of forest
	fires. Directors-General will be invited to share their views on national prevention policies.
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	b) A.O.B. Closing Remarks by the European Commission and the Czech Presidency
12:30–13:30	Lunch & Departure to the airport and/or to the central train station
18:00–19:30	Cultural event ➤ For those staying until the evening or an extra night, the Czech Presidency is cordially inviting you to attend the Presidency concert in the St. Nicolas Church.