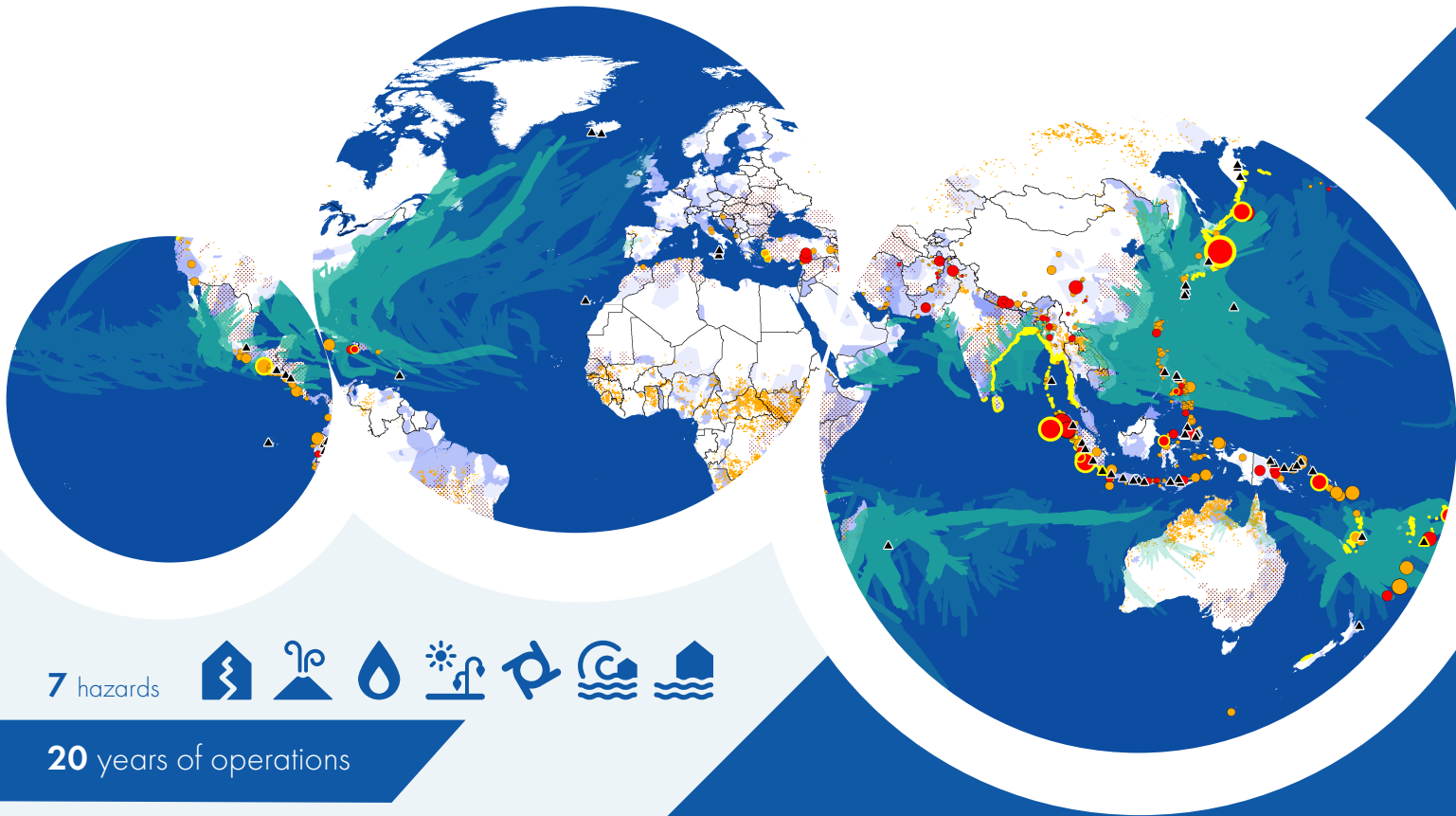


# 20 anniversary

# GDACS Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System



7 hazards



20 years of operations

~20 emergencies per year opened in VOSOCC

~40 SMCS events per year

+200 simulation exercises per year

+10 000 analytical products (maps, reports, dashboards)

33 000 users registered to receive email/sms alerts

+120 000 disaster events analysed

## What are the objectives of GDACS?

GDACS fills the critical information and coordination gap that usually occurs in the first phase after major sudden-onset disasters. GDACS provides tools and methodologies to facilitate coordination and decision-making among responders, the affected country, and other international actors.

## Who uses GDACS?

GDACS information is openly accessible through the GDACS platform at [www.gdacs.org](http://www.gdacs.org). It is mainly used by the EU Emergency Response Coordination Centre, the EU Member States and Participating States to the Union Civil Protection Mechanism, National Governments, NGO's, disaster response organizations worldwide to support situational analysis and decision making in the first hours and days after major sudden onset disasters.

## What is GDACS?

GDACS is a cooperation framework between the European Commission and the United Nations with the aim to better prepare for and respond to disasters alerting and improving disaster information exchange and coordination among (bilateral) responders in the immediate aftermath of major sudden-onset disasters.

## What services does GDACS provide?

GDACS provides near real time disaster alerts, automatically calculated impact estimations, and online coordination platforms for disaster managers and producers of satellite maps.

## What is the scope of GDACS?

GDACS services are activated at the occurrence of major sudden-onset disasters that might overwhelm the affected country's response capacity and require international assistance. GDACS services are most relevant in the initial disaster phase (usually two to three weeks), until formal coordination mechanisms have been established by the government of the affected country or the international community.

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