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The Director-General

53rd Informal meeting of the Directors-General for Civil Protection of the **Union Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM)**

15-16 October 2024

Ministry of Interior, József Attila utca 2-4, 1051 Budapest

AGENDA

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DAY 1 – Tuesday 15 October

12:00 – 14:00	Arrival of the participants
13:00 – 14:00	Welcome lunch
14:00 – 14:30	Welcome & opening remarks Mr. Maciej Popowski, Director-General of DG ECHO Mr. Sándor Pintér, Minister of Interior, Hungary
14:30 – 16:00	Plenary session I What future for the UCPM?
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 17:30	Break-out session What future for the UCPM? Informal and interactive exchange of the Directors-General in smaller discussion groups around targeted subjects (questions in the background paper).
18:30 – 23:00	Social event Gala dinner at the Gundel Restaurant

DAY 2 – Wednesday 16 October

09:00 - 9:45	Plenary session II
	Reporting back: Key recommendations from group discussions from plenary session II
09:45 – 11:00	Plenary session III – Severe weather events
	1) Presentation by the National Inspector General for Civil Protection, Brigadier General Dr. Ferenc Tóththe on the Hungarian Presidency's priority subject: EU's resilience to floods.
	2) Exchange on the recent experience in dealing with floods in Central and Southern Europe.
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 12:15	Plenary session IV - continuation
	National perspective on wildfire season – presentation by José Duarte da Costa, Director-General of the Portuguese National Authority for Emergency and Civil Protection.
12:15 – 12.30	The programme of the incoming Polish Presidency in the area of civil protection
12:30 – 12:45	Closing remarks by the European Commission and the Hungarian Presidency
12:45 – 13:30	Grab & go lunch