Step 0: Get to know EAP requirements

It's important you familiarize yourself with the EAP template and key FbA by DREF criteria. National Societies can access the EAP template here and full criteria here.

For EAPs to be developed or financed via other funding sources (e.g. government), or through own National Society funding – the criteria are not obligatory, however, we encourage your National Society to utilize the components of the EAP template as a guide.



The FbA by the DREF is an ex-ante financing instrument that automatically allocates funding once a forecast is triggered, which enables the effective implementation of early actions. The FbA by the DREF provides multilateral funding to National Societies who have an already developed EAP. The funding is pre-agreed in advance for the implementation of the EAP, according to the key criteria below.

Download the FbA by DREF EAP Template here.

Key EAP Criteria of FbA by the DREF

- Early actions seek to reduce the risks and the humanitarian impact and can be implemented in the time between the forecast and the impact of the extreme event.
- The EAP shows that the implementation of the early actions is possible within the lead time available.
- For each early action selected the EAP should include a Theory of Change and demonstrate that the action chosen is appropriate to reduce the specific risk.
- Data is provided that shows that an event of the magnitude/strength of the event that the trigger is based on, has caused disastrous humanitarian impact in the region in the past.
- Triggers are based on a combination of the analysis of risk factors and the forecast in line with the steps of the approved trigger methodology.
- There is a map or a clear methodology that will tell the NS where action should be taken based on a combination of vulnerability, exposure, and the forecast, when the EAP is activated based on the trigger model.

The EAP addresses extreme	events with a minimum 5-year return	n period.
 The EAP should reach ideally a minimum of 1000 households if applying for 250,000 CHF or a minimum of 2,000 households if applying for 350,000 CHF. 		
Maximum 25% of the budget for readiness activities.	Maximum 40% for prepositioning of stock if justified.	Budget for all costs related activation.