## UNOSAT's role in disaster preparedness and drills





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# Introducti

- United Nations Operational Satellite Applications Programme
- A programme in the Research Department of United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)
- UNOSAT operational since 2001
- Fully dedicated to satellite imagery analysis and capacity development



## UNOSAT's offices





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#### 1. Satellite imagery analysis

- Natural disasters
- Human security
- Human rights
- Development
- 2. Training and capacity development
- 3. Research and innovation



### Introduction to UNOSAT



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#### **MAPPING**

Research, Analysis & Applications

#### Training & Capacity Development

Hands-on, Data and Knowledge Transfer

**Knowledge transfer** 



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#### Damage assessment of Taipa area in Central Sulawesi

This map illustrates satellite-detected building damage assessment as of 02 October 2018, over Taipa area northeastern Palu city in Central Sulawesi following the 7.5 magnitude earthquake and subsequent tsunami of the 28th of September 2018. The analysis was conducted using a post-event Worldview-2 satellite image acquired 2 October 2018. UNITAR-UNOSAT identified in the analysed area 399 potentially damaged structures. Taking into account the prebuilding footprints provided by Humanitarian OpenStreetMap, this represents 10 % of the total number of structures within this analysed zone of Taipa. This is a preliminary analysis and has not yet been validated in the field. Please send ground feedback to UNITAR - UNOSAT.

#### Legend

- Damaged building
- Populated place
- - UNOSAT analysis extent
- --- Highway/primary road
- \_\_\_\_ Local road





Map Scale for A3: 1:15,000



Disaster

- 1. Triplex Exercises
- 2. Virtual / Online Exercises and Simulations





- Regular field exercises organized by the International Humanitarian Partnership
- Most recent in 2016, hosted in Norway
- Mock country of 'Sorland' created, mock hurricane and flooding simulated
- Over 100 staff from many organizations participated









- UNOSAT sent one person as a field liaison
- Liaison largely remained in On-site Operations Coordination Center (OSOCC)
- Dialogued continuously with cluster
   representatives (water, health, logistics, etc)
- Determined satellite imagery needs and communicated those to UNOSAT Geneva
  - Ericsson set up towers for comms



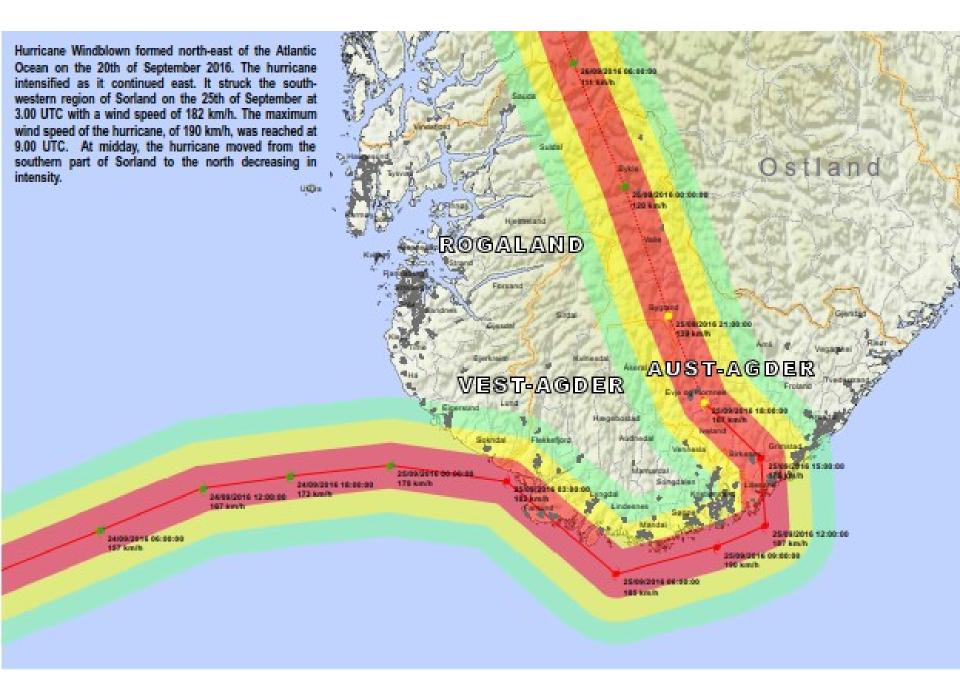


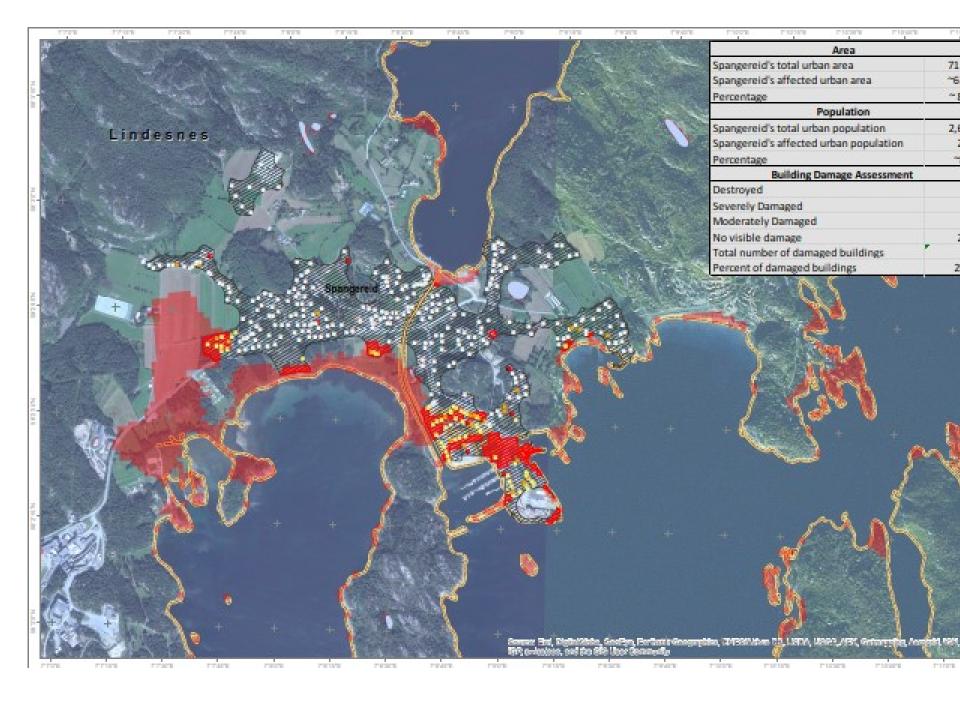




- UNOSAT Geneva performed rapid analysis, PDF map production, online webmap production
- PDF shared with OSOCC via liaison, printed; online map displayed on screen
- Real world 'surprises' as analysis areas were shifted at last moment due to road blockage, requiring new map production

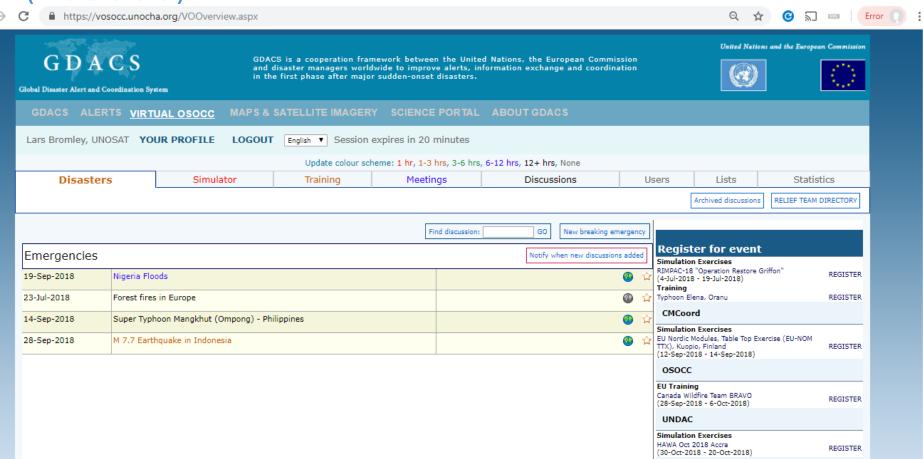








 Virtual On-Site Operations Coordination Center (VOSOCC)



Or

- Low bandwidth, password protected
- Designed to connect organizations before they reach an OSOCC
- Link on-site OSOCC with rest of world
- European Commission, UN (OCHA, UNOSAT)





- Training frequently, so users can use the system
- Simulations to maintain training
- UNOSAT fully integrated:

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To: Einar BJORGO < Einar. BJORGO @ unitar.org >

Subject: EXERCISE: EXERCISE ONLY: Virtual OSOCC request for new disaster map

#### **EXERCISE ONLY:**

Virtual OSOCC disaster: Klanndestan Floods - Team B

GLIDE: Not available

Map title: road distance city to city

Description: Not available

Date of request: 2-Oct-2018 02:51



## Virtual Reality



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