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- Objectives
 - Top down approach to the overall Workshop objectives → Users perspectives
 - Identify the needs of the various organisations involved
 - Prepare a list of requirements in order to map the technical standardization work

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- The TDR/ETS concepts are under revision in many countries to take into account the new trends (Multimedia, IP-based networks, globality,...)
- One of the key issue implementing TDR/ETS from the Government perspective is the partnership with the telecom industry and other government levels (cooperation without profit, information exchange, new priorities, funding,...)

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- When identifying requirements, the role of organisations coordinating civil communications means have to be taken into account. An example is the Civil Emergency Planning in NATO.
- In general, organisations involved in disaster relief operations, depending on their role, have specific communication needs to cover:
 - coordination and administration within the field and between field and HQs
 - staff safety

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- Many of these organisations operates communications networks for their routine activities.
- In general the problems met during TDR operations are:
 - lack of interworking among networks and systems (in particular when proprietary systems are used)
 - no priority to establish calls over networks in overload situation or with reduced capabilities,
 - the evolution towards multimedia should be carefully analysed in terms of the quality of the data transmitted (quality is more important than quantity!)
 - cross-boarder operations of equipments
 - coverage of satellite systems inside buildings

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- Problems with power supply
- Need to rely on several systems
- High usage cost of services
- Complicated man-machine interface of terminal
- Problem of security (protection, integrity and confidentiality of data)

This list of issues has been discussed in the panel (Session 2) and a first list of requirements prepared.