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The DRIVER+ Centres of Expertise

A pan-European network to support the capability development and innovation management of Crisis Management practitioners.

The DRIVER+ project has been developing and refining a set of tools aimed at supporting Crisis Management organisations in their management and assessment of innovations, with the objective of enhancing the capability development of European practitioners. These tools include:

- [The Trial Guidance Methodology \(TGM\)](#)
- [The Test-bed Technical Infrastructure](#)
- [The Portfolio of Solutions \(PoS\)](#)
- The Crisis Management Innovation Network Europe ([CMINE](#))
- The Supporting Training Module

A description of these components is consolidated in a flipbook, [accessible here](#).

To facilitate the uptake and implementation of these tools, even after the project terminates, DRIVER+ is supporting the establishment of Centres of Expertise (CoEs). A CoE acts as the primary contact point for practitioner organisations at the national or regional level, supports them in using these tools, maintains and updates these tools and exchanges lessons learned between other Centres of Expertise in the various European Member States.

A CoE is a practitioner-centred organisation that has close relations with (applied) research organisations, solution providers and policy-makers. These may be national or regional training centres, Crisis Management academies, knowledge centres for specific crisis types (e.g. forest fires), or focusing on specific topics such as the usage of drones in crisis situations.

Becoming a Centre of Expertise will strengthen the organisation's pioneering position in the Crisis Management ecosystem, both nationally and internationally. It will increase the visibility at the EU level as an early adopter bringing forward innovation in Crisis Management.

Are you interested in becoming a CoE? Please contact cooperation@projectdriver.eu.



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