

FIELD MISSION – LARISA, GREECE

AGENDA

DATE	LOCATION
6 - 8 October 2026	Larisa, Greece

TUESDAY, 6 October		
Prefecture Meeting & Elasona Earthquake Interviews		
07:30	Depart Athens by Chartered Coach to Larisa	Distance approx. 300 km • estimated travel time 3–3.5 hours via A1/E75.
11:00	Arrive Larisa — Short Break	
11:30	Meeting with the Prefecture of Thessaly	Briefing and discussion with Prefectural authorities: - Regional Hazard Briefing 1 (11:30–11:45): Prof. C Papazachos, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki — 2021 Thessaly Earthquake - Regional Hazard Briefing 2 (11:45–12:00): Prof. Grigoris Tsinidis, University of Thessaly – 2023 Storm Daniel and flood in Thessaly - Regional Hazard Briefing 3 (12:00–12:15): Dr. S.Stefanidou, Multi-hazard damage to transportation infrastructure - Regional Hazard Briefing 4 (12:15–12:45): E. Porichi, Director of Civil Protection, Prefecture of Thessaly. Experience gained following the Elasona earthquake (March 2021) and Storm Daniel (September 2023) - Regional Hazard Briefing 5 (12:45–13:15): I. Chloptsios, Multi-hazard monitoring dashboard at the Prefecture of Thessaly.
13:15	Lunch in Larisa	
14:30	Continue	Keynote 1(14:30–15:15): Paris Biliias, Deputy Regional Governor for Infrastructure and Transport Networks - Emergency planning at the Prefecture of Central Macedonia Discussion (15:15–17:00): - Regional overview of impacts from the Elasona earthquake (March 2021) and Storm Daniel (September 2023) - Emergency shelter activation: timeline, locations and capacity - Current recovery status and outstanding needs Coordination between regional, national and EU-level actors
17:00	Day 2 Debrief	Brief group debrief on interview findings and Prefecture meeting outcomes.
18:00	Check into Hotel in Larisa — Group Dinner	

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WEDNESDAY, 7 October		
Thessaly Field Visits & Storm Daniel Interviews — Return to Athens		
09:00 – 14:00 (in parallel to interviews)	Field Visit	Bridges Affected by the Earthquake and Flood Bus excursion to bridge infrastructure sites approximately 50 km from Larisa. Inspection of bridges damaged by both the Elasona earthquake and Storm Daniel flooding. On-site briefing by local engineers, site documentation and photographic / video recording. Drone footage by NTUA. Visit to Shelter Camps (Farkadona region) Visit to shelter camp sites established following the earthquake and/or Storm Daniel, if still operational or accessible as legacy sites. Assessment of conditions, management arrangements and any remaining occupancy.
09:00 (in parallel to field visit)	Interviews	Structured Interviews — Elasona Earthquake Survivors First round of structured interviews with individuals who were displaced and stayed in emergency shelters following the Elasona earthquake (3 March 2021, M6.3, central Thessaly). Interview topics: shelter conditions and adequacy, community support during displacement, access to services, re-housing timeline and experience of recovery. Ethics and informed-consent procedures are to be ensured in advance. 5-8 people including the regional Civil Protection
12:00	Return to Larisa — Lunch	
13:30	Interviews	Structured Interviews — Storm Daniel Flood Survivors (2nd Round) Second round of structured interviews with individuals displaced by Storm Daniel (September 2023) and the catastrophic flooding of the Thessaly plain. Interview topics: shelter conditions and adequacy, access to services, comparison with earthquake displacement experience, community resilience and long-term recovery. Ethics and informed-consent procedures to be ensured in advance.
16:30	Brief Wrap-up of Field Activities	Summary of field visit and interview observations before departure.

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17:30	Depart Larisa → Athens by Chartered Coach	Return journey approx. 3–3.5 hours via A1/E75.
21:00	Arrive Athens — Check into Hotel	

DAY 4 - TUESDAY. 8 October		
Prep2Shelter Debrief & General Assembly		
09:00	Mission Debrief — Key Findings and Observations	Structured group debrief covering all field activities: Ministry and Prefecture meetings, expert workshop, bridge and shelter site visits, and both rounds of structured interviews. Consolidation of preliminary findings across both disaster events.
10:00	Prep2Shelter Project General Assembly (Hybrid event)	Partners coordination and action points. Pending deliverables and upcoming project milestones.
12:00	Closing Remarks & Farewell Lunch	

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