

# HyResponder

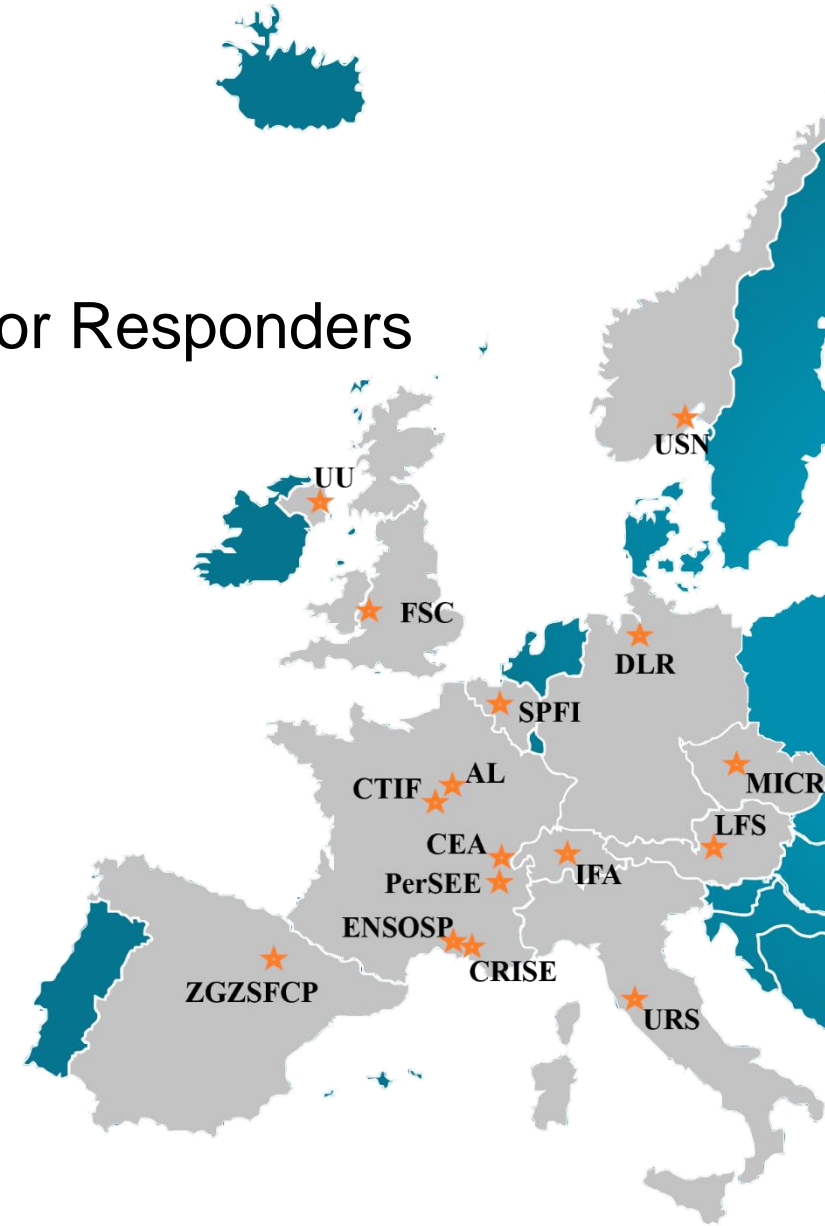
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# Hy Responder Project Overview

- European Hydrogen Train the Trainer Programme for Responders
- 40 months project: 1/01/2020 -31/05/23
- Total project budget: €1M
- Ulster coordinator
- Partners: 16 partners from 10 countries
- Fire and Rescue Services and Associations, Academia, Industry, Virtual Reality experts

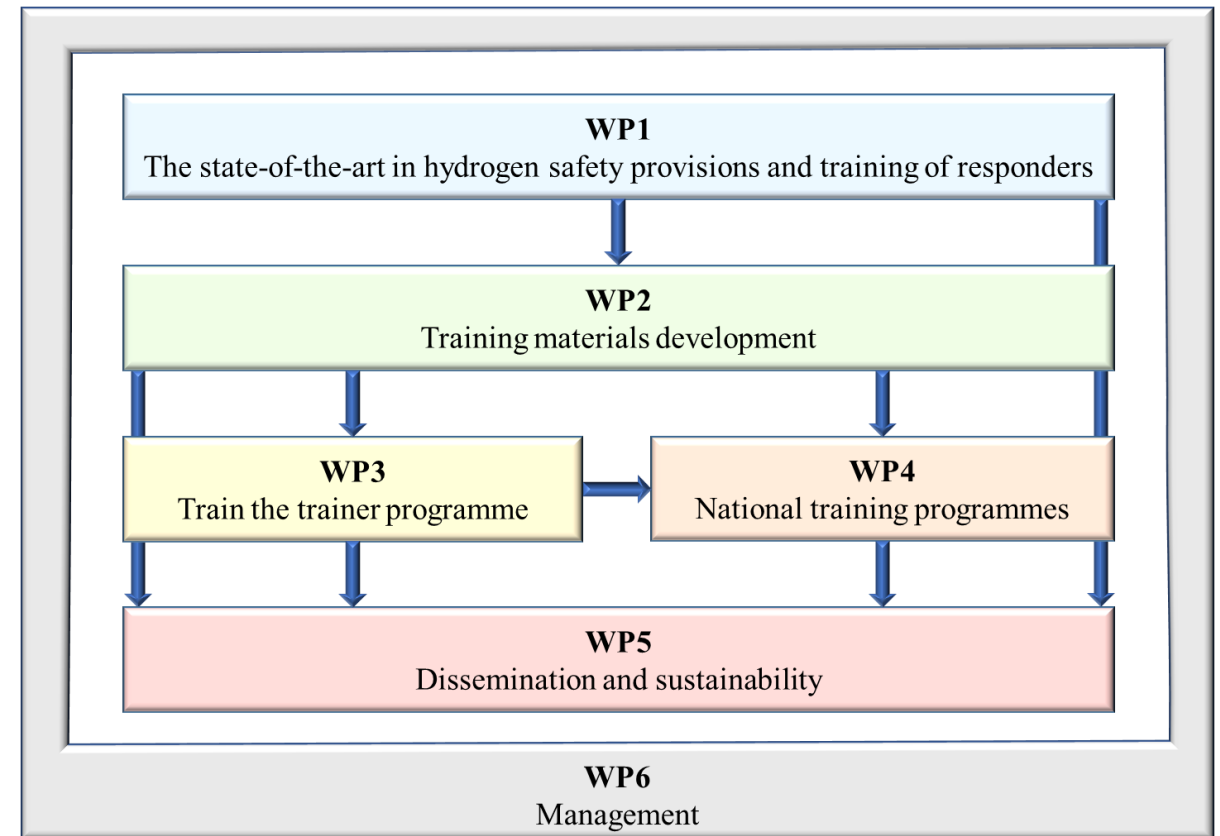




# HyResponder Project Summary

## HyResponder aim and work plan

- Develop and implement a **sustainable** train the trainer programme in hydrogen safety for responders throughout Europe
- Supporting the commercialisation of FCH technologies by informing the participation of responders in the initial permitting process, improving resilience and preparedness through enhanced emergency planning, and ensuring appropriate accident management and recovery



# Hy Responder Project objectives

- Develop updated, **operational, virtual reality**, and **educational training** for trainers of responders to reflect the state-of-the-art in hydrogen safety.
- Establish a Pan-European Network of Responder Trainers
- Train trainers from at least **10 European Countries** in hydrogen safety
- Make teaching materials available in **8 languages**
- Support trainers to deliver regional workshops in **10 countries**
- Ensure **sustainability** of the training programme through the availability of translated materials on an **educational platform**
- Update the **European Emergency Response Guide**
- Establish an International Forum of Responders





# Hy Responder

## Extended training package for trainers

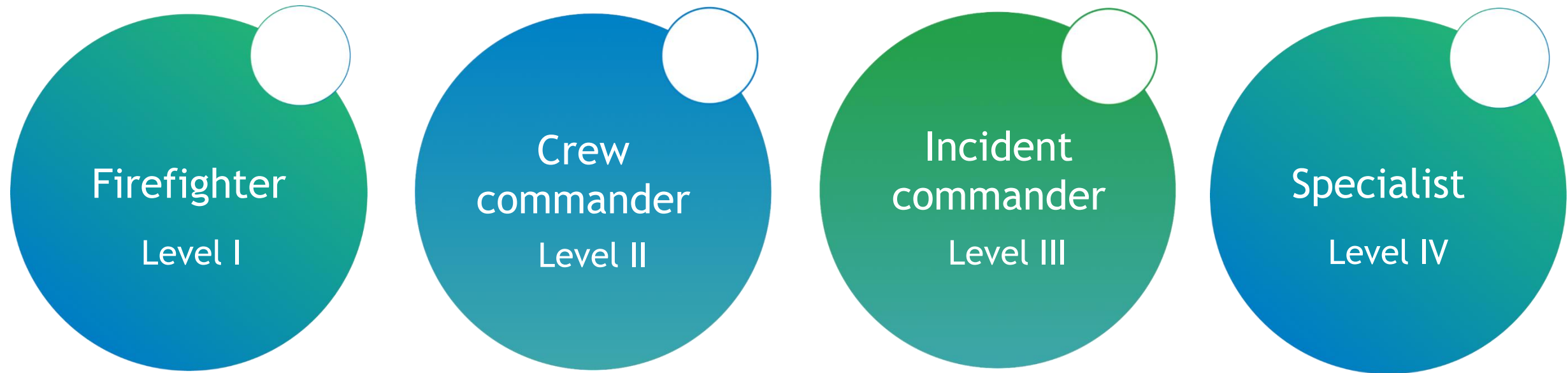
### Outcome of HyResponder

- **Threefold** approach with all elements represented on HyResponder **e-Platform**
  1. Operational training
    - Unique hand-on training facility at ENSOSP, France
    - Extended within HyResponder to include cryogenic spills
  2. Educational training
    - Lectures revised, stratified, trialed, and translated
  3. Virtual Reality training (extended)
    - Scenarios extended to include LH2
- Training is underpinned by the revised **European emergency response guide**
- Details on the HyResponder e-Platform



# Hy Responder Stratification of training materials

Responder led identification of **four** learning levels across Europe aligned to EQF



- Framework used as a basis to stratify the Lectures into up to 4 levels by responders
- Presentations at level 4
- Goal of developing a standardised training package and gaining recognition of the training

# Hy Responder Training sequences

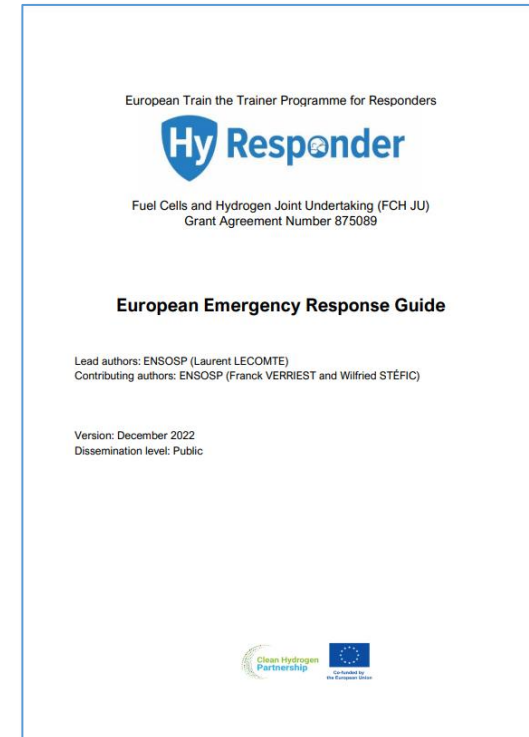
- Digital resources were developed due to the pandemic
- Operational training is supported by practical sequences with videos and exercise cards underpinned by the EERG
- Partners ENSOSP and CRISE were instrumental in this activity
- Examples are accident scenarios related to:
  - Fuel cell equipment
  - Triggered hydrogen releases
  - FCH vehicle fire
  - Liquid hydrogen
  - Hydrogen transport
  - Storage tank
  - Explosion in fuel cell container



# HyResponder Revised EERG

## Living document

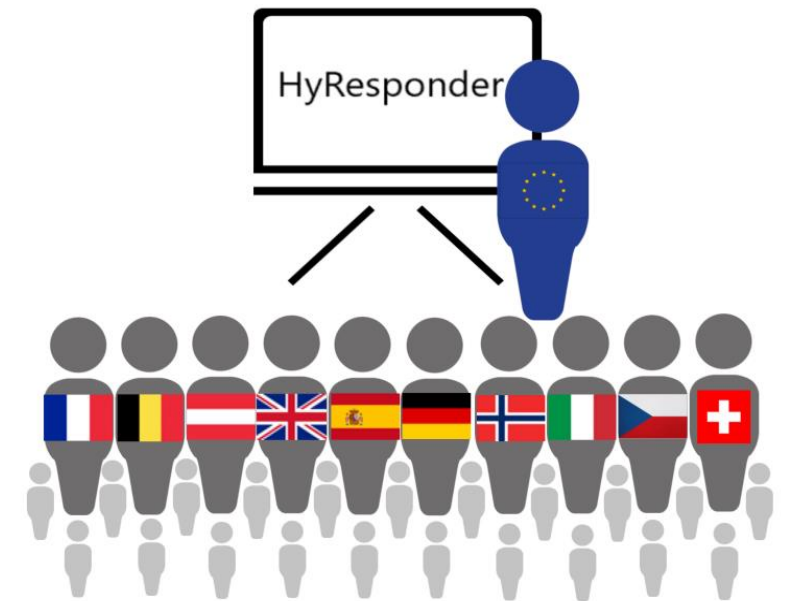
- HyResponse European Emergency Response Guide updated
- Guide intended to be used by emergency response personnel, both by front-liners and commanders
- Revisions include events related to LH2
- Multiple contributions from the wide consultation
- <https://hyresponder.eu/e-platform/european-emergency-response-guide/>





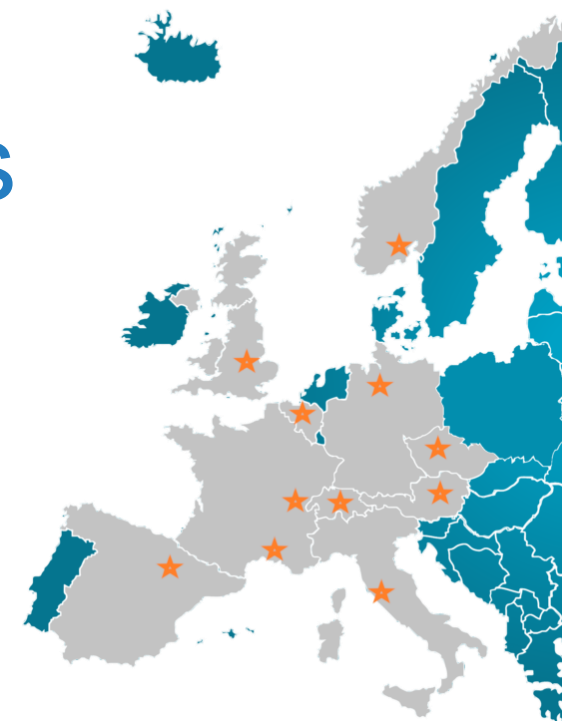
# HyResponder Train the trainer (National leads)

- Virtual training for trainers from 10 partner countries plus SAB June 2021
- Face to face operational and virtual reality training June 2022 at ENSOSP, France
- Unique approach to manage online delivery “training sequences”
- National training was undertaken in 10 countries
- Materials are available in 8 languages **including Italian**
- Plan in place for a standard module but no “one-size fits all”



# Hy Responder National training activities

- Training through 11 main activities in 10 countries
- Trainers introduced the **translated** training  
Czech, Dutch, English, French, German, Italian, Norwegian, & Spanish
- Approach is different from country to country to align to needs e.g.
- **In all regions a plan is in place for beyond the project**



Country	Austria	Norway	Italy
Training lead	Landes Feuerweherschule Tirol	University of South Eastern Norway	Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza"
Language	German	Norwegian	Italian
Format	Two online courses basic knowledge and specialist	Hybrid	Face to face with small operational facility
Impact to date	Over 200 responders enrolled in the basic course	in person and online workshops delivered	Firefighters from across Italy trained
Next steps	800 participants by the end of 2023	Follow up training	National working group established

# Hy Responder National training examples

## Hva skjer etter HyResponder workshop?

### H2Konstabel kommer hjem til dere

Som en norsk videreføring av HyResponder har Norges Forskningsråd finansiert videreførings-prosjektets H2Konstabel.

H2Konstabel vil oppsøke kommunale brann og redningsetater som ønsker en innføring i hydrogensikkerhet og en presentasjon av opplæringsmateriell for å begynne eget arbeid med hydrogensikkerhet. Besøket varer en dag og prosjektet dekker materiell, bevertning, reise og opphold (for instruktørene). Deres lokale etat må stille med lokaler og deltagere.

Ønsker du å motta H2Konstabel? Påmelding starter etter Norsk Hydrogen-sikkerhets workshop og sendes per epost.

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## NORSK HYDROGEN-SIKKERHETS WORKSHOP



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Agenda 15 novembre 2022

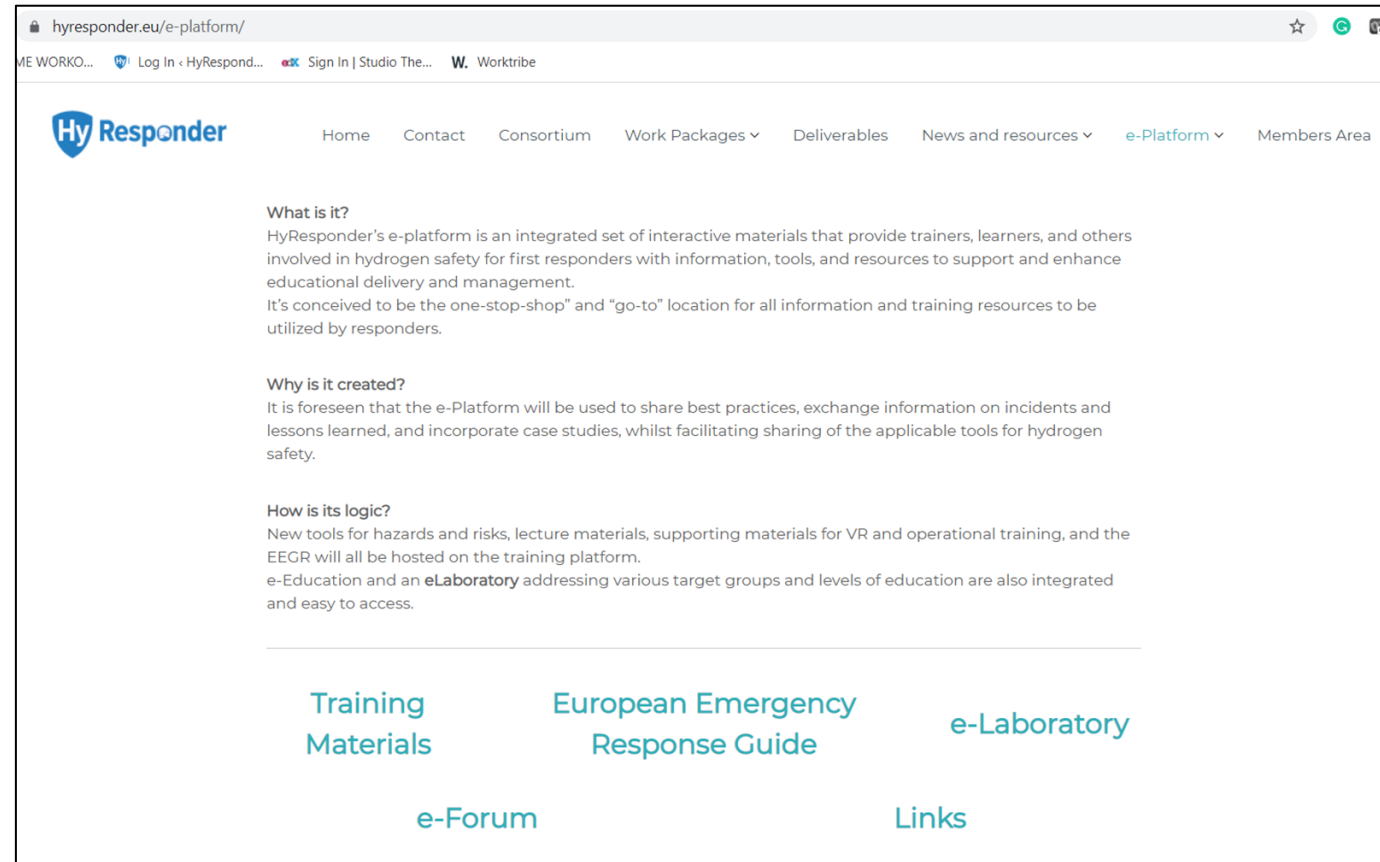
- Ore 09:00 – 09:20: saluto ai partecipanti e introduzione ai lavori  
Stefano Marsella, Direttore Centrale per la Prevenzione e la Sicurezza Tecnica  
Michele Mazzaro, CNVVF – Vicario Direttore Centrale per la Prevenzione e la Sicurezza Tecnica
- Ore 09:20 – 09:40: presentazione del Progetto Europeo «HyResponder» – HySAFER Centre Ulster University  
Sile Brennan, HySAFER Centre – Ulster University
- Ore 09:40 – 09:50: presentazione del Progetto Europeo «HyResponder» – DICMA Sapienza  
Paola Russo, DICMA Sapienza
- Ore 09:50 – 10:30: introduzione alle tecnologie dell'idrogeno e proprietà rilevanti per la sicurezza  
Donatella Cirrone, Ulster University
- Ore 10:30 – 10:45: pausa caffè
- Ore 10:45 – 11:15: presentazione piattaforma e scenari ENSOSP  
Laurent Lecomte, Franck Verriest, ENSOSP
- Ore 11:15 – 12:00: scenari di incidente e conseguenze: dispendio  
Donatella Cirrone, Ulster University
- Ore 12:00 – 12:40: casi pratici  
Jacopo Moretti, CNVVF
- Ore 12:40 – 13:00: stato dell'arte dell'attività svolta dal CNVVF  
Michele Mazzaro, CNVVF – Vicario Direttore Centrale per la Prevenzione e la Sicurezza Tecnica
- Ore 13:00 – 14:00: pausa pranzo
- Ore 14:00 – 15:00: introduzione alle attività pratiche  
Francesco Pilo, CNVVF – illustrazione prove pratiche di jet fire da  
HYPER – illustrazione elettrolizzatore  
TENARIS – illustrazione serbatoi in composito  
GKN – illustrazione stoccaggi tramite idruri
- Ore 15:00 – 17:30: attività pratiche ed illustrazioni componen
- Ore 17:30 – 18:00: debriefing conclusivo



# HyResponder HyResponder e-Platform

- Materials for trainers beyond HyResponder
- Stratified lectures
- Training sequences with videos
- Online tools
- EERG
- Translated materials

<https://hyresponder.eu/e-platform>





The screenshot displays the HyResponder e-laboratory interface. On the left, a sidebar lists various models under 'SORT BY CATEGORY'. The 'Similarity law for concentration decay in hydrogen expanded and under-expanded jets and unignited jet hazard distances' model is selected and highlighted with a red circle. The main content area shows the title of the selected model and a table of input parameters and their values. The table is also highlighted with a red circle.

**Navigation**

- Tool list
- Saved results
- New calculation

**Actions**

- Show description

**Units**

- $p_1$  (H2 pressure in reservoir) Pa
- $T_1$  (H2 temperature in reservoir) K
- $d_3$  (Orifice diameter) m
- $p_4$  (Ambient pressure) Pa
- $T_{atm}$  (Ambient temperature) K

**Similarity law for concentration decay in hydrogen expanded and under-expanded jets and unignited jet hazard distances**

Name	Symbol	Value	Unit
H2 pressure in reservoir	$p_1$	7e+6	Pa
H2 temperature in reservoir	$T_1$	293	K
Orifice diameter	$d_3$	0.003	m
Ambient pressure	$p_4$	1.01325e+5	Pa
Ambient temperature	$T_{atm}$	293	K
H2 percentage	$X_{H_2}$	4 %	%
Axial distance from nozzle to 4% by vol. H2	$X_{4\%,H_2}$	9.56956	m
Axial distance from nozzle to 8% by vol. H2	$X_{8\%,H_2}$	4.59958	m
Axial distance from nozzle to 11% by vol. H2	$X_{11\%,H_2}$	3.24428	m
Axial distance from nozzle to 16% by vol. H2	$X_{16\%,H_2}$	2.11474	m

Used to underpin HyResponder training,  
many applications, access is free  
<https://elab.hysafer.ulster.ac.uk/>



# HyResponder Training framework

- The International Association of Fire and Rescue Services, CTIF, has led development of a framework for recognition of firefighter level training.
- Aim is to enable the **wide diversity** of emergency first responders that exist, to seek and secure **localised arrangements** to develop and promote acceptable practice standards **using the HyResponder training outcomes**.
- Programme aligns to the European Qualification Framework at Level 2
- The programme covers the equivalent to 20 hours of guided study and practice
- Full details on the Framework will be available on the HyResponder website and can already be accessed through CTIF
- The Framework is intended to be **flexible** and to complement and support local training arrangements.

# HyResponder Training framework

https://ctif.org/commissions-and-groups/hyresponder-european-hydrogen-train-trainer-programme-responders

## HyResponder - European Hydrogen Train the Trainer Programme for Responders

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**European Hydrogen Train the Trainer Programme for Responders**

HyResponder is a European Hydrogen Train the Trainer programme for responders. The project consortium has 16 partners from 10 countries all coordinated by **Ulster University**. The CTIF focus centred on evaluation of HyResponder activities to create recommendations leading to establishment of hydrogen safety training across Europe. CTIF recognises it can be difficult for all firefighters to get trained.



The **"Firefighter Safety with Hydrogen"** programme is designed to generally satisfy qualification requirements for the European Qualification Framework at Level 2 by providing basic factual knowledge in a field of work. This level will provide basic cognitive and practical skills so that relevant information can be used in order to carry out tasks and solve routine problems using simple rules and tools whilst working under supervision with some autonomy.

HyResponder has clear educational, operational and virtual reality materials to support training of first responders to reflect the state-of-the-art in hydrogen safety, including liquid hydrogen, and should enable the programme to expand across Europe. A revised **European Emergency Response Guide** is also now available the resources are available in **Czech, Dutch, English, French, German, Italian, Norwegian and Spanish**.

The programme covers the equivalent to 20 hours of guided study and practice with each unit based on each 2 hour period of learning time.

Learning time is the time taken by trainees at the level of the unit, on average, to complete the learning outcomes to the standard determined by the assessment criteria.

Framework for the HyResponder Firefighter Training in Hydrogen Safety +



Watch the explainer video about the project above or on **YouTube**:

**GO TO THE COURSE MATERIAL**

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# **HyResponder** Impact of HyResponder

- e-Platform available to facilitate access to information
- Unique operational training platform available at ENSOSP – sharing expertise
- Online training sequences available to support local training
- Training delivered in different formats to over 1250 individuals across 10 countries
- Plans to extend the reach to > 22,000 responders across Europe by 2028.
- Roadmap for standard training package with a defined module at firefighter level
- Stratified training materials available to freely access online across 4 levels
- Translated materials online and freely available in 8 languages
- Online tools to support training available to all stakeholders
- Revised EERG available for use globally
- Plans for each region beyond the project

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