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Group Work 1 Background information and task

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From Inundation Maps to Evacuation Zones

Inundation Maps describe the area that can be inundated



Evacuation Zones

describe the area to be evacuated



Criteria to define Evacuation Zones

- In principle it should cover the maximum tsunami inundation area as shown in the Inundation Map
- Draw the boundary of the evacuation zone along well-known roads or landmarks. Easy to remember and provide good orientation for people during evacuations
- You may decide to extend the evacuation zone beyond the mapped inundation area for safety reasons or as a buffer zone, especially in densely populated areas, in order to avoid traffic congestion within the hazard zone



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Group Work – Rules of the game

- Five working groups one per country. Working group members are the TEP trainees only. UNESCO Consultants join the respective working group.
- Select a moderator from among your members. The moderator will guide the group work making sure that tasks will be accomplished and timing is met. Moderators changes every day.
- To each working group one Trainer and participants from the TIMM group are assigned as resource persons. You may consult them anytime.
 Observers may join, but do not intervene.
- Group work might be done in local language. But, consultations with trainer and documentation / sharing results need to be in English.

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Task for Group Work 1

- 1. Check your **inundation map** and make sure that it is well understood how it was generated, what does it show and how valid it is as a basis for the TEP
- 2. Discuss and agree how to **delimit the evacuation zone**. Document your arguments and conclusions
- 3. Draw the **boundary of the evacuation zone on the Base Map**
- 4. Identify vulnerable groups and elements. List them on a flip chart
- 5. Identify further aspects which are relevant in terms of vulnerability
- 6. Locate relevant vulnerable elements on the Base Map (as far as time allows)

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- Available time: until 4 pm (105 minutes) including coffee break (flexible)
- Working materials: Printed copies of Inundation Map and Topographical Map, set of colored pencils and marker, pin-board / white board, flip chart paper

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