

Exercises in times of Covid

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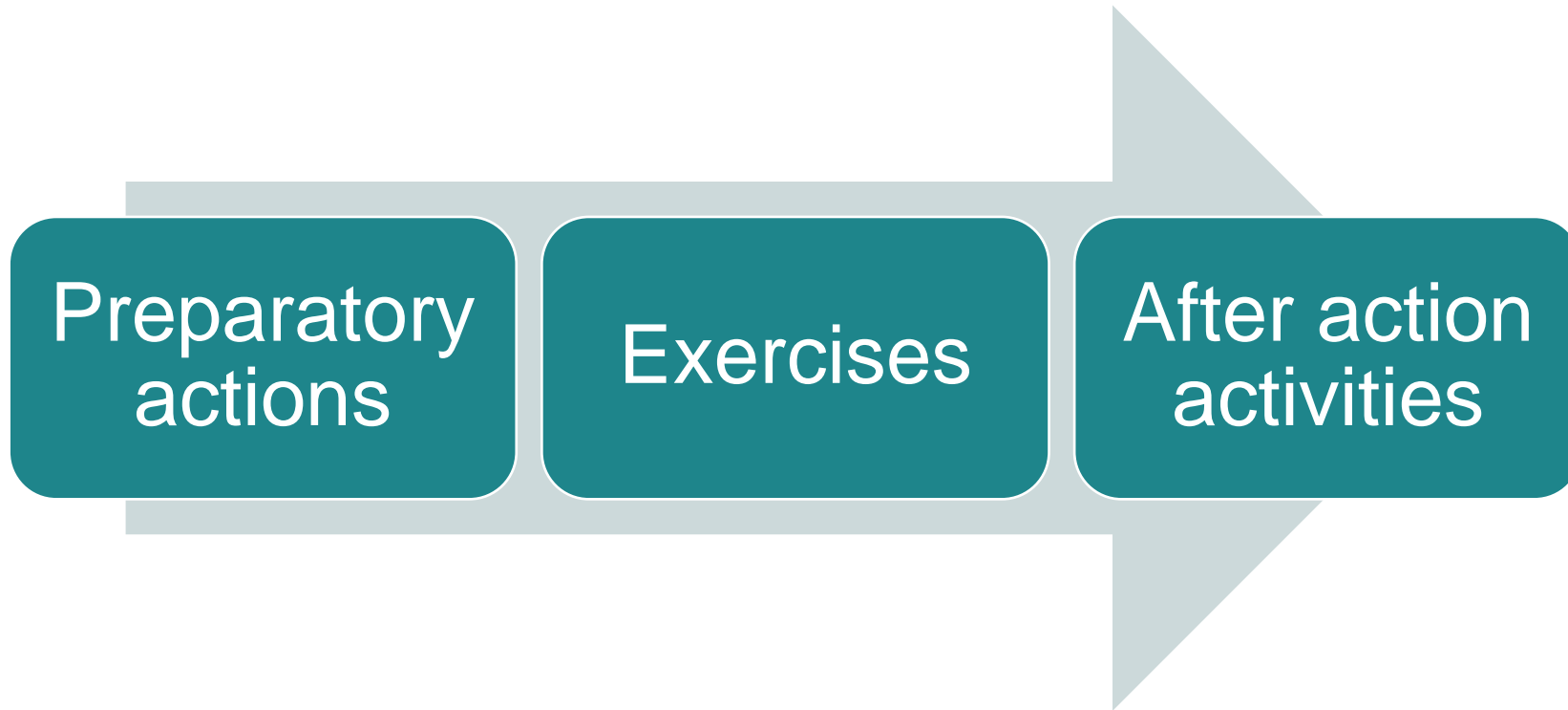
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A full scale exercise project

- *Designing, planning, preparing, implementing, evaluating*



International exercises during a pandemic

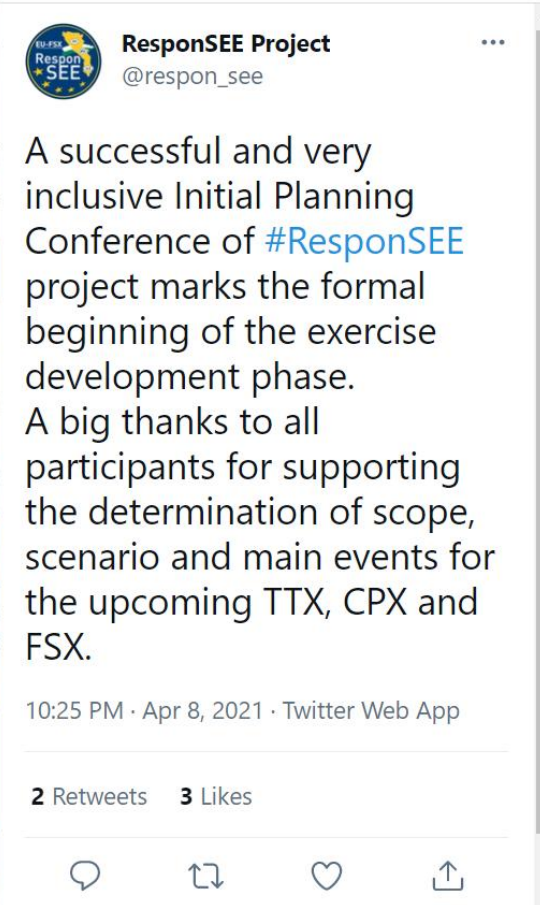
- Resources tied up in managing the pandemic
 - Directly or reserve/continuity assets
- Constraints in planning, physical meetings
- Constraints in (international) travel



A “new normal”, adaptation and adjusting;



Going off planes to online....



Observations

- ✓ Less time consuming
- ✓ More inclusive, broader participation and connections
- ✓ Less expensive – providing for more activities

- ✓ Less interaction
- ✓ Less networking
- ✓ Challenging to establish a common workspace

A virtual field exercise?

- What are the exercise objectives?
- Who is the training audience?
- How; what is the best methodology to choose?



A field exercise in pandemic environment?

- Measures planned and implemented
- Risk vs benefit



A blended field exercise?

- Introducing new tools and technology, enhance and improve
- Opening new opportunities
- New requirements for organisers, trainers and participants



Thank you



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