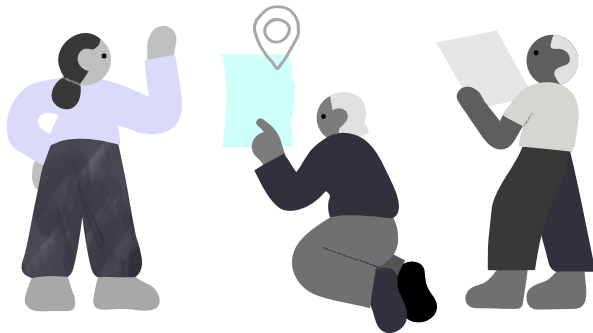


Accelerating H2H Approaches for Anticipatory Action



Developing new tools, services and approaches to support Anticipatory Action

The H2H Network is driving the development of new tools, services, and approaches to support Anticipatory Action (AA), collaborating within and beyond the network to pave the way for a more forward-looking and data-driven humanitarian system.



One of the humanitarian sector's historical shortcomings has been its reactive nature, a stance that is increasingly untenable in the face of the climate crisis and increasing conflict. Today, less than one percent of humanitarian funding is implemented through anticipatory mechanisms, yet we can predict over half of natural hazard induced crises before they strike.

As the sector is shifting to take on a more anticipatory posture, the H2H Network is driving the development and expansion of the tools and services that will be required to support an evolution of the sector. We believe these are essential to enabling a principled, equitable and effective basis for AA at scale.

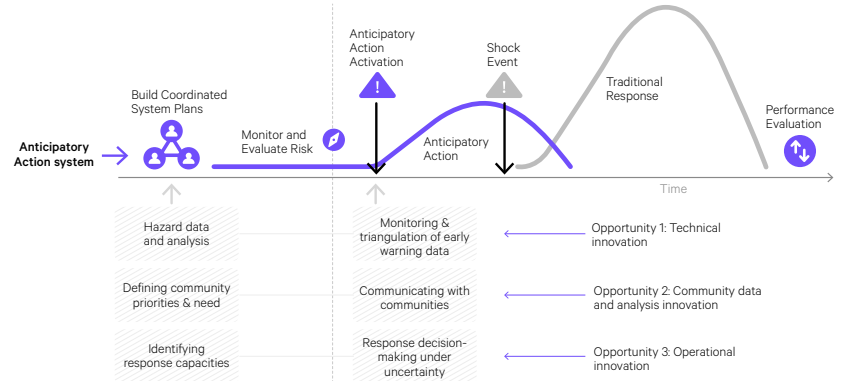
Whether by contributing to forecasts and predictive analysis, supporting operational actors to integrate local and community level data, or increasing interoperability between actors and datasets, H2H actors are uniquely positioned to develop and deliver tools and services crucial to effectively bring AA initiatives to scale, and to foster greater collaboration, learning and impact

i The H2H Network

We bring together specialized, independent humanitarian service providers who enable efficient, impactful and accountable aid during crisis, by supporting humanitarian-to-humanitarian (H2H) services for the wider system.

These independent, cross-cutting tools and services are well-suited to address many of the gaps and challenges that continue to hamper humanitarian action in specific emergencies, as well as contributing to change at the system-level.

How might H2H action enhance Anticipatory Action across the humanitarian system?



AA is a sophisticated strategy that is a significant departure from the existing paradigm of humanitarian aid. Collaboration has been essential for the development of AA to-date, particularly at the policy level. Expanding such collaborations and their supporting infrastructure will be essential to developing and rolling out scalable AA solutions.

The H2H Network brings together independent and specialized organizations, whose activities catalyze more effective, accountable, and efficient humanitarian action for people in need. The diversity of H2H Member expertise offers a wide range of tools and services with potential to support those developing anticipatory programmes and mechanisms.

In the context of a typical anticipatory action system, there are three main opportunity areas where H2H Network services have significant potential to add value:

1. Driving technical innovation

Enhancing the handling and sharing of large, fast-changing datasets, including sharing data and analysis across organizational boundaries to increase the efficiency and value of complex forecasting.

2. Integrating community data and analysis

People at risk are experts in their own lives and localities. Effective community engagement can improve modelling of crisis impacts and support with the identification of the right anticipatory actions. It also presents opportunities for improved accountability and empowerment.

3. Increasing operational efficiency

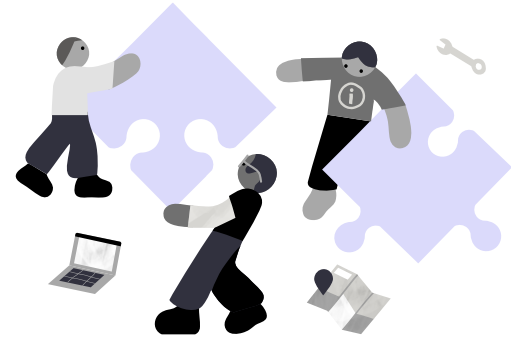
Emergency responders must be equipped to convert early warning signals into action. This involves transforming complex technical data into clear, coherent information that operational leaders can easily grasp, navigating uncertainties inherent in the data.

The H2H Anticipatory Action Accelerator

To advance and build out mechanisms for sector-wide collaboration, the H2H Network is exploring and developing new H2H approaches to AA, aiming to improve data, information tools and services to support the sector and improve collaboration. The accelerator is engaging a cohort of H2H Members who will seek to add value at different points in the AA lifecycle:

Throughout 2024, the H2H accelerator programme will provide:

- Flexible research and development funding to selected H2H Members
- Strategy support and coaching to enable the development of H2H solutions
- Opportunities for collaboration between H2H actors in the network
- Connections to external partners working on AA



Join Us

We are excited to work with H2H Members and external partners in the humanitarian sector and beyond, as we expand our work on AA and embark on a collective journey to enact system-wide changes. These changes will enable the humanitarian sector to act more efficiently ahead of crises and to prevent or reduce acute impacts before they fully unfold. If you are interested in collaborating or accessing H2H services, [please get in touch](#).



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