Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment and the Roadmap to Resilience

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VCA enhancement process

1999
First VCA Guidelines developed

2005-2014
Various guides for improved implementation

2015-2019
Enhancement study led by IFRC and GDPC and the “enhanced” VCA
- Interviews with 40 RCRC staff/partners
- E-survey with 118 participants

What is a VCA, 2006
VCA Toolbox, 2007
How to do a VCA, 2007

Integrating climate change and urban risks into the VCA, 2014
Key findings

60 per cent of National Societies surveyed report using the VCA between 2013-2015.
Areas of focus for enhancing the VCA

- **Social marketing**: Clarify the VCA definition and purpose and position as a key process for community resilience. Develop several online and offline marketing products that primarily target Red Cross Red Crescent stakeholders.

- **Quality Enhancement Package**: Revision of several products that are anchored under the IFRC’s Framework for Community Resilience including: VCA guidance, VCA reporting template and a capacity-building package.

- **Information management and Technology (VCA repository)**, the VCA capacity building hub, and a digital version of the VCA, etc.
VCA and the Roadmap
Options to align the Enhanced VCA to the Roadmap

Option A:
Approach: Continue to conduct the VCA as it currently is described in the manuals but using resilience star mainly to improve analysis
Pros: Revision based on existing VCA material, changes not comprehensive, most VCA tools continue to be used, resilience characteristics improve analysis
Cons: Alignment to the Roadmap is not complete.

Option B:
Approach: Fully integrate the Roadmap approach in the VCA manuals/app (including all Roadmap stages and steps).
Pros: Close alignment between two processes
Cons: Revision more comprehensive and complicated. Roadmap process still being tested and piloted.
Group discussion

Which approach would have your preference?
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- Current plans:
  - Quality enhancement of current guidelines
  - VCA Repository
  - Digital VCA
**Digital VCA**

- **Goal:** Digitalize, collect and save the vast inventory of the VCA surveys and reports to ensure the sustainable use of the data.
- **Key features:**
  - Guide users through specific VCA tasks and get the work done with the greatest ease and maximum benefit.
  - Spatially intelligent and accessible with in-built ready-to-use maps and apps.
  - Allow easy creation and sharing of information accessible from any desktop, browser, tablet, or smartphone - *anytime, anywhere.*
Examples of maps

- Capacity map:
  http://dnvgl-
  research.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=0adb626efd354a439ce2833cc31e64b7

- Emergency map:
  http://dnvgl-
  research.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=1c5b0c6c75c04f968fd273da429be27e

- Post-Emergency map:
  http://dnvgl-
  research.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=c406c9c489074e978ccb53de3a0d4ea9
Roadmap at the Global Platform (Cancun) May 2017

- Special Session on Community Resilience (IFRC SG as co-chair).
- Ignite Stage (15 mins)
- Market place.

Any suggestions for an innovative approach to promote the Roadmap?