

✈️ FRANCE – Plane crash

- A plane, operated by Germanwings, travelling from Barcelona to Düsseldorf and carrying 150 people crashed on 24 March in the Alps in southern France. 144 passengers and six crew members died. The plane crashed in a mountainous area, complicating the search and recovery operations. The cause of the crash is under investigation.
- French authorities deployed 173 vehicles and 455 fire fighters and rescuers to the site of the crash.
- More than 30 experts from the German Federal Bureau of Aircraft Accident Investigation, German Federal Criminal Office, Lufthansa and Germanwings, and experts for psychosocial emergency care will reinforce the French operations on the crash-site on 25 March.
- The Spanish authorities set up a support centre for families of the victims and a crisis cell at the Prat airport in Barcelona. Coordination protocols have been activated in order to collaborate with the French authorities in the identification and subsequent repatriation of victims.

Sources: ECHO, COGIC, GMLZ, SACOP

☁️ ITALY – Severe weather

- Severe weather, including rain, winds and storm surge are affecting several areas of Italy. Media reported several blocked roads and people evacuated in Sardinia.
- In the next 24 h more rain, winds and storm surge could still affect several areas of Italy. JRC calculations indicate a storm surge of 0.7 m along the coastal area near Ravenna at 16.00 UTC and of 0.7 m in Venice at 19.00 UTC on 25 March. As of 25 March, 14.00 UTC (MeteoAlarm), a Red alert for wind is in effect in Puglia and a Red Alert for thunderstorms in Calabria.

Sources: JRC / COSMO-ME AM, [Meteo AM](#), [Italian CP](#), [MeteoAlarm](#), [Media](#)

Countries affected by	Symbols
Conflict / Displacement	Conflict
Plane Crash	Displacement
Landslides	Landslides
Severe weather	Tropical Cyclone
Tropical Cyclone	Severe weather
Tropical Cyclone Intensity	Floods
Max. Sustained winds	Plane crash
>118 km/h	
63-118 km/h	

🌀 VANUATU – Tropical Cyclone PAM

- Needs assessments and interviews with affected people, confirm that investments made in Disaster Risk Reduction and Preparedness in recent years significantly contributed to protect lives, despite the destructive power of Cyclone PAM.
- As of 25 March, there are 11 dead and 1 060 evacuees in 19 evacuation centres. All the evacuation centres are expected to close by 27 March. Initial emergency food assistance is reported to have now reached close to 180 000 people.

Sources: ECHO, [GDACS](#)

🗺️ PERU – Landslides

- In Lima region: eight dead, 25 people injured, six missing, 150 houses destroyed due to a landslide in Lurigacho-Chosica on 23 March. Another landslide injured 30 people and destroyed 110 houses in Huarochiri on the same day.
- In Cajamarca region: three dead in Cutervo, 22 houses destroyed in Cutervo and Chota.
- In the next 48 h more rain could affect northern and southern Peru.

Sources: INDECI, SENAMHI, NOAA, Media

🌟 SYRIA – Conflict

- Population displacements continue in the north-western governorate of Idleb on the border with Turkey. Since the weekend, shelling and bombardment in areas surrounding Idleb city have taken place daily.
- Estimates of the number of displaced vary as families are seeking refuge in many dispersed villages, mostly north and west of Idleb. Humanitarian organizations are scaling up arrangements to assist the displaced and affected communities.
- Deliveries of humanitarian assistance across the border from Turkey continue despite border restrictions adopted by Turkish authorities since early March.

Source: ECHO

👤 SOMALIA – Forced evictions

- The number of forced evictions in Mogadishu are again on the rise, as an estimated 2 700 - 5 000 households have been evicted from their houses during the first week of March and more are expected. Overall, in the months of January and February, more than 25 700 internally displaced persons have been evicted from public and private buildings in Mogadishu by the Federal Government. Forced evictions have also been reported in other areas of the country, notably Kismayo, Bosasso and Luuq.
- ECHO partners and the Protection and Shelter Clusters are responding to the immediate needs.

Sources: ECHO, UN

