

Newsletter – AGILE in Action | From Stress Tests to Shared Knowledge

Exploring resilience through collaboration, innovation, and stakeholder engagement

The AGILE project is developing and testing innovative approaches to help communities, organisations, and decision-makers prepare for High Impact Low Probability (HILP) events and their cascading impacts across interconnected systems. Through stress tests, stakeholder engagement, research, and practical tools, AGILE supports a better understanding of systemic risk and resilience in an increasingly complex world.

Recent months have seen AGILE's stress test programme continue to expand across Europe and beyond, bringing together stakeholders to explore how High Impact Low Probability (HILP) events can trigger cascading consequences across interconnected systems.



Through Tier 1 workshops in Bucharest, Ukraine, and Jakarta, participants examined a diverse range of challenges, from earthquakes affecting emergency response and critical systems, to maintaining access to cultural heritage during prolonged disruptions, and managing flooding impacts across

complex urban environments. The Jakarta workshop also marked an important milestone as AGILE's first stress test activity in Asia.

One “aha” moment that all participants share is that “unlikely” does not mean “impossible,” and that, because of our global interconnectedness, we must now prepare for what was previously considered unlikely.

A huge “Thank you” to all hosts, facilitators and stakeholders making the stress test a success and going one step further towards innovative preparedness in our complex world.

The value of AGILE's Tier 1 stress test methodology was also recognised beyond the project, receiving the [2026 Business Continuity Award for Best Contribution to Continuity & Resilience](#) in recognition of its innovation and originality in strengthening preparedness for HILP events and cascading risks.

The AGILE Stress Test Methodology is an iterative approach, i.e. Tier 1 was followed by Tier 2 workshops in Iceland and Setúbal, that tested existing plans and decision-making processes under extreme scenarios. Participants explored the cascading impacts of a subglacial volcanic eruption on critical infrastructure in Iceland, and an earthquake and tsunami affecting urban, industrial, and natural systems in Setúbal. Together, these activities continue to demonstrate how the AGILE stress test methodology can support multi-

stakeholder and interagency collaboration, systems thinking, and resilience-building across diverse risk contexts.

Beyond the stress test workshops, AGILE continues to expand its knowledge-sharing activities through [expert discussions](#), [interviews](#), and openly accessible [project resources](#).

A growing series of conversations on the AGILE [YouTube channel](#) brings together researchers, practitioners, and decision-makers to discuss resilience, cascading risks, and preparedness for HILP events. Recent [discussions](#) featuring Dr. Raed Arafat, Secretary of State and Head of Romania's Department for Emergency Situations and Ambassador of the



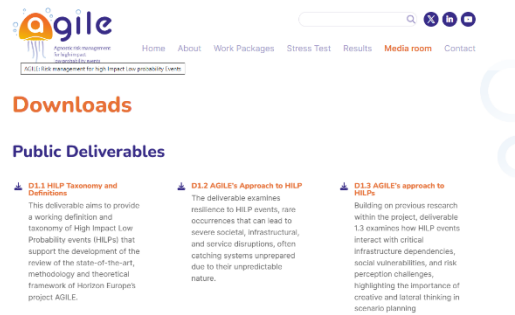
AGILE project, in conversation with AGILE representatives explore lessons from major emergencies, the challenges of preparing for complex and interconnected crises, and how innovative approaches such as the AGILE Tier 1 Serious Card Game can support preparedness and decision-making under uncertainty.

At the same time, the [AGILE website](#) continues to provide access to the project's growing collection of public deliverables, scientific publications, presentations, and practical resources. These outputs explore topics including HILP events, systemic risk, cascading disasters, threat-agnostic resilience, critical infrastructure interdependencies, stakeholder perspectives on resilience, and innovative approaches to resilience stress testing. Together, they contribute to a stronger evidence base for understanding and managing complex risks in an increasingly interconnected world.

In addition to the website the AGILE Reference Library was pre-launched for internal testing. Public launch is expected in summer 2027.

Whether through stress tests, expert discussions, or scientific research, AGILE remains committed to strengthening collaboration, advancing knowledge, and supporting organisations and communities in preparing for the unexpected.

The jellyfish continues its journey, connecting people, ideas, and experiences across diverse resilience challenges. 





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