

UNDP PREPAREDNESS LEARNING PATHWAY

OVERVIEW

The [UNDP Preparedness Learning Pathway](#) is a capacity development initiative that supports countries to enhance their institutional, strategic and operational capabilities for preparedness. The Pathway aims to facilitate joint learning and knowledge exchange for and among decision-makers and practitioners from national and local authorities, UN entities including UNDP, and other relevant in-country stakeholders, by deploying the content of the [UNDP Preparedness Toolkit](#), an online resource platform centralizing key resources on preparedness, as well as associated resources from other partners. The Pathway is part of [UNDP's Crisis Academy](#) offering.

SERVICES

The Preparedness Learning Pathway offers several **capacity development services**:

- Training programme
- Community of practice
- Mentoring
- Bespoke technical assistance
- Peer-to-peer knowledge exchange

DELIVERY

Modality



On-site/ face-to-face deployment of experts and facilitators



Virtual engagement (events) and/ or programme (series of events spanning a longer time horizon)



Mix of face-to-face workshops and virtual engagement



Available in English, French, Spanish, and Russian.

Principles



Modular content



Tailored to country needs



Mix of expertise (national and international experts and facilitators)



Cost-efficient

KEY COMPONENTS



LEARNING



COMMUNITY



ACTION

EXPERTISE AVAILABLE

- UNDP subject-matter experts
- Subject-matter experts from UN agencies, I/NGOs, international or regional organizations, standby partners
- UNDP–United Nations Volunteer (UNV) Tandem Teams
- The United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC) experts



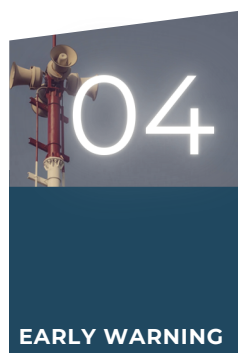
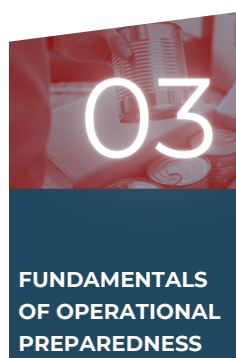
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MODULAR TRAINING

Under the [Preparedness Learning Pathway](#), UNDP offers a **modular capacity development service**, allowing flexibility in adapting the content and methodology to meet the specific knowledge and practice development needs and priorities of practitioners.

CORE MODULES

Based on the [UNDP Preparedness Toolkit](#), six core modules are available under the Preparedness Learning Pathway. Each provides practitioners with **in-depth subject-matter knowledge**, as well as **useful and scalable tools, methodologies**, and **examples** to integrate preparedness and anticipatory approaches across their work.



Modules are designed to foster **collaboration, co-creation** and **peer-to-peer learning** and, in their delivery, build practitioner capacities for **foresight and anticipation**. Some themes, including the power of technology and innovation for preparedness, disability-inclusive and gender-transformative approaches, and engaging the private sector, are **cross-cutting** and are integrated across modules.

Modules are selected based on the learning and practice development needs of practitioners, and may be delivered using a mix of modalities. This summary document details key topics covered under each of the core modules, as well as options for delivery, noting that the content and methodology are contextually tailored.

MENU OF OUTCOMES

Practitioners can choose specific outcomes depending on their objectives, for example:

- Refined preparedness/ contingency plan, business continuity plan or anticipatory action framework
- Baseline assessment of resource, capacity and financing needs for preparedness
- Comprehensive stakeholder map for preparedness at national/ local level
- Establishment of funding mechanisms for preparedness and anticipatory action
- Multiple future risk scenarios for strategic preparedness planning
- Mainstreaming of preparedness into development, humanitarian or recovery planning
- Improved capacities in applying foresight for preparedness
- Detailed action plans, including stakeholder roles and responsibilities, for post-workshop follow-up

RISK ASSESSMENT

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KEY COMPONENTS

- Training programme
- Community of practice
- Mentoring
- Bespoke technical assistance
- Peer-to-peer knowledge exchange

CROSS-CUTTING THEMES



Foresight



Gender



Disability Inclusion



Technology & Innovation

CONTENT

FOUNDATION BLOCK

Fundamentals of Risk Assessment

- » What Are Risks?
- » What Risks Are Not?
- » Risk Anticipation through Foresight
- » Context Analysis
- » Assessing Risks
- » Monitoring Risks

BLOCK 1

Context Analysis

- » The Internal and External Context
- » PESTEL Analysis
- » Context Analysis through Foresight
- » Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment
- » Stakeholder Analysis

BLOCK 2

Risk Assessment

- » Level of Risk Assessment
- » Three Steps in Risk Assessment
- » Step 1: Hazard Identification
- » Step 2: Risk analysis
- » Step 3: Risk evaluation

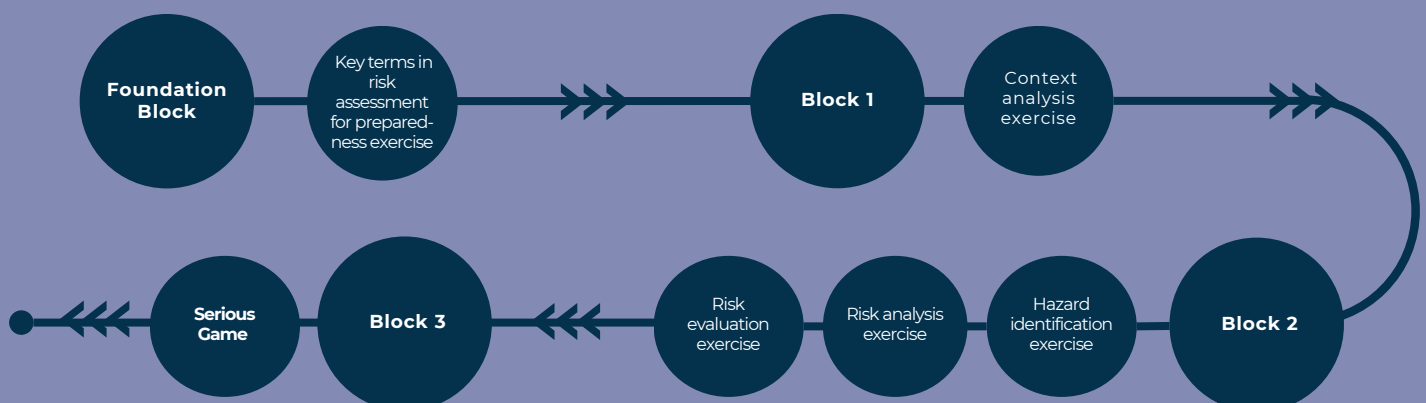
BLOCK 3

Risk Monitoring

- » Determining When Further Action is Needed
- » Next Steps When Further Action Is Needed
- » Using Foresight for Risk Monitoring

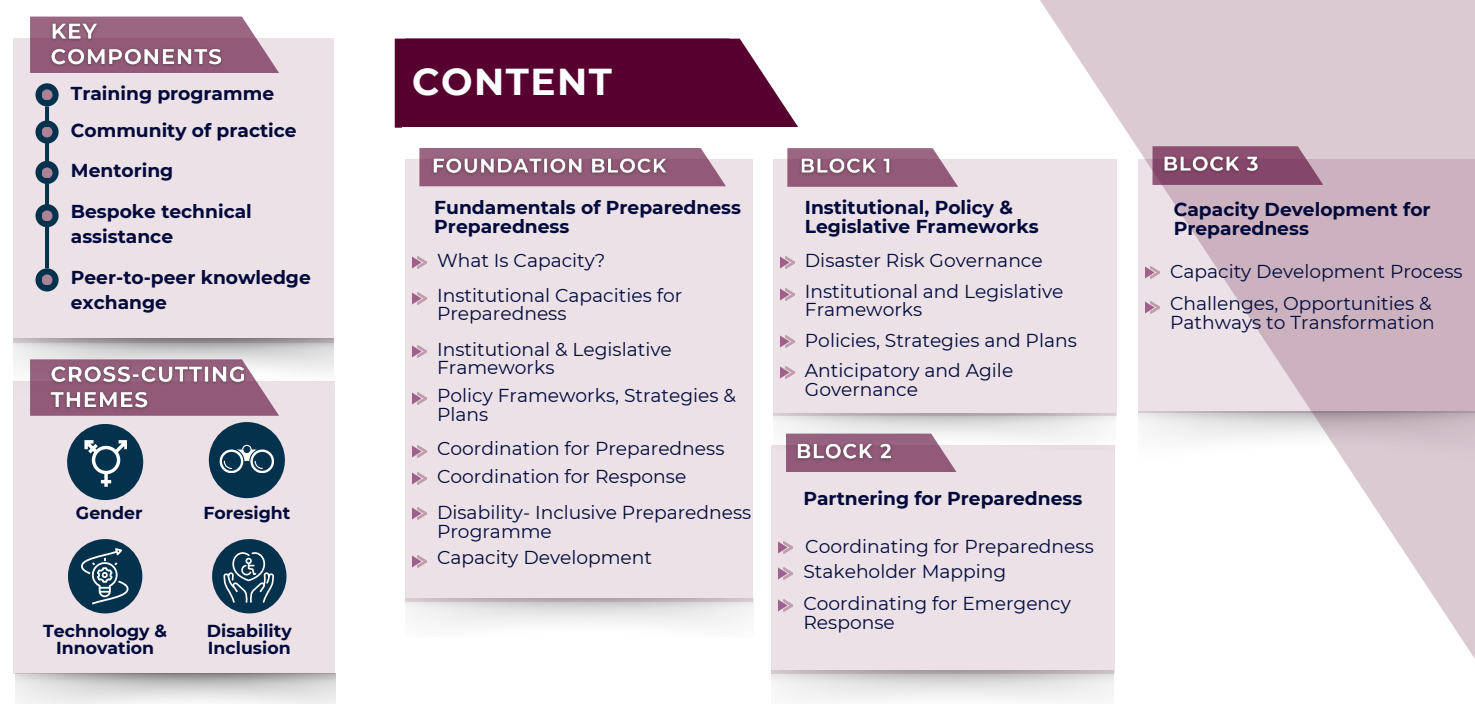
DELIVERY MODALITY: IMMERSIVE WORKSHOP

Core content from Module 1 is seamlessly integrated as part of an immersive in-person or online practice development experience, combining presentations with simulation exercises or serious games, delivered by expert facilitators.



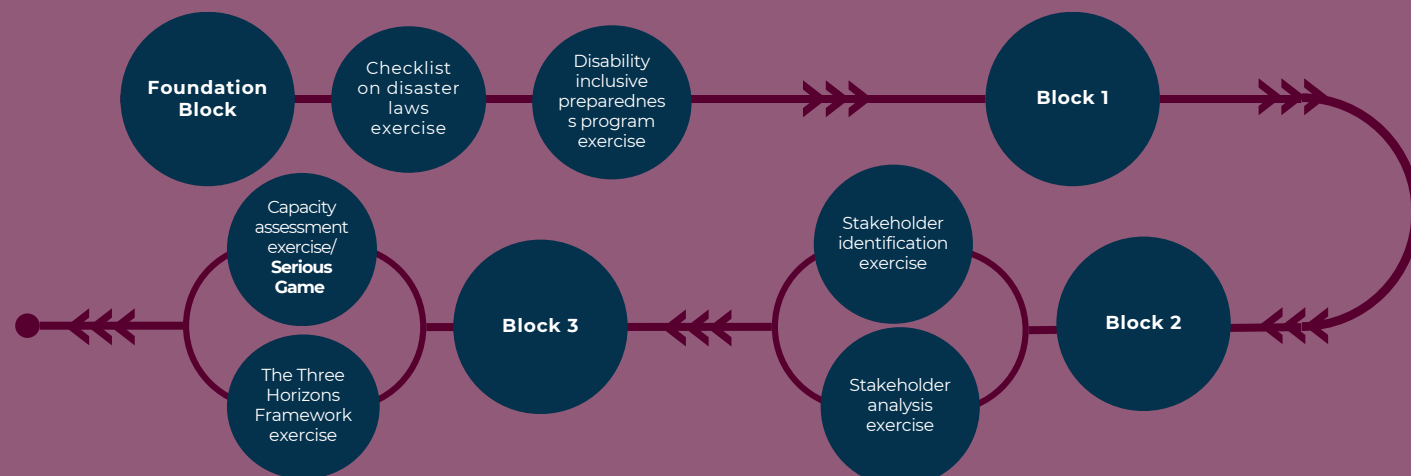
INSTITUTIONAL & COORDINATION CAPACITIES FOR PREPAREDNESS OVERVIEW

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DELIVERY MODALITY: IMMERSIVE WORKSHOP

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FUNDAMENTALS OF OPERATIONAL PREPAREDNESS

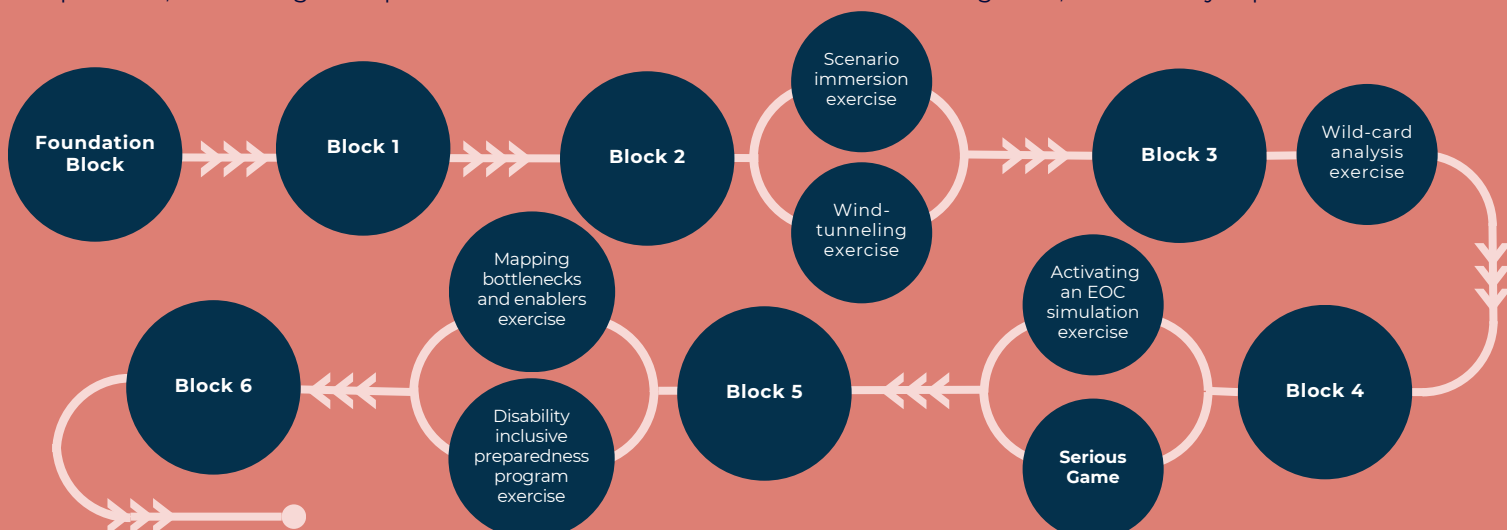
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DELIVERY MODALITY: IMMERSIVE WORKSHOP

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EARLY WARNING

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KEY COMPONENTS

- Training programme
- Community of practice
- Mentoring
- Bespoke technical assistance
- Peer-to-peer knowledge exchange

CROSS-CUTTING THEMES



CONTENT

FOUNDATION BLOCK

Fundamentals of Early Warning

- Introducing Early Warning Systems
- Governance Mechanisms
- Key Stakeholders
- Inclusive Early Warning Systems
- Linking Early Warning to Early Action
- Innovation in Early Warning Systems

BLOCK 1

Linking Early Warning to Early Action

- Principles of Effective Action
- Impact-Based Forecasting (IBF)
- Social Aspects of Multi-hazard Early Warning Systems

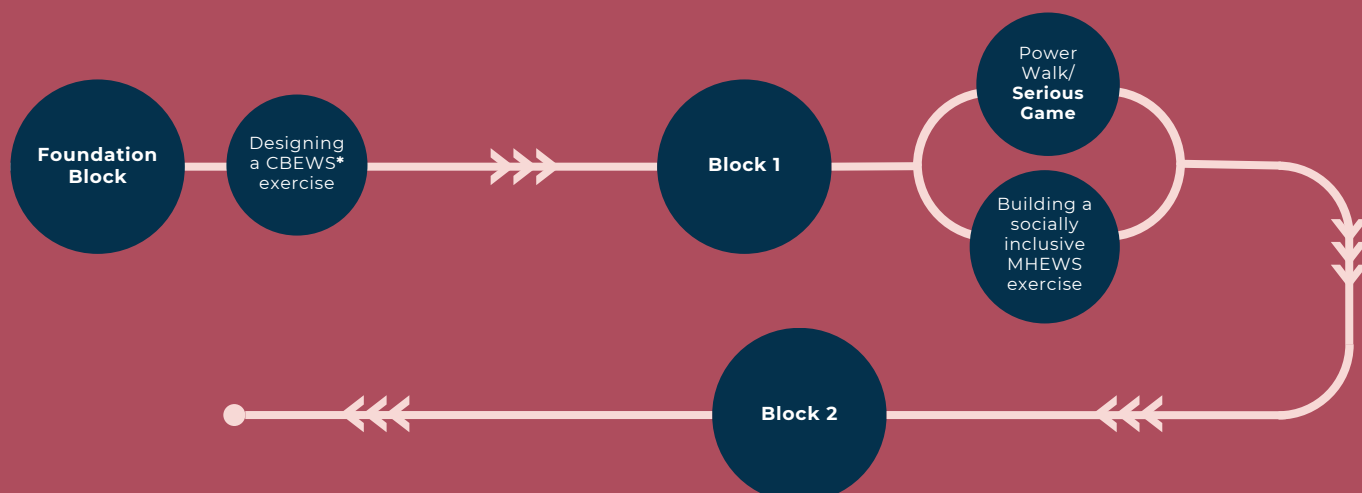
BLOCK 2

Innovation for Early Warning Systems

- Common Alerting Protocol (CAP)
- Technologies and Innovation
- Future of Early Warning and Early Action

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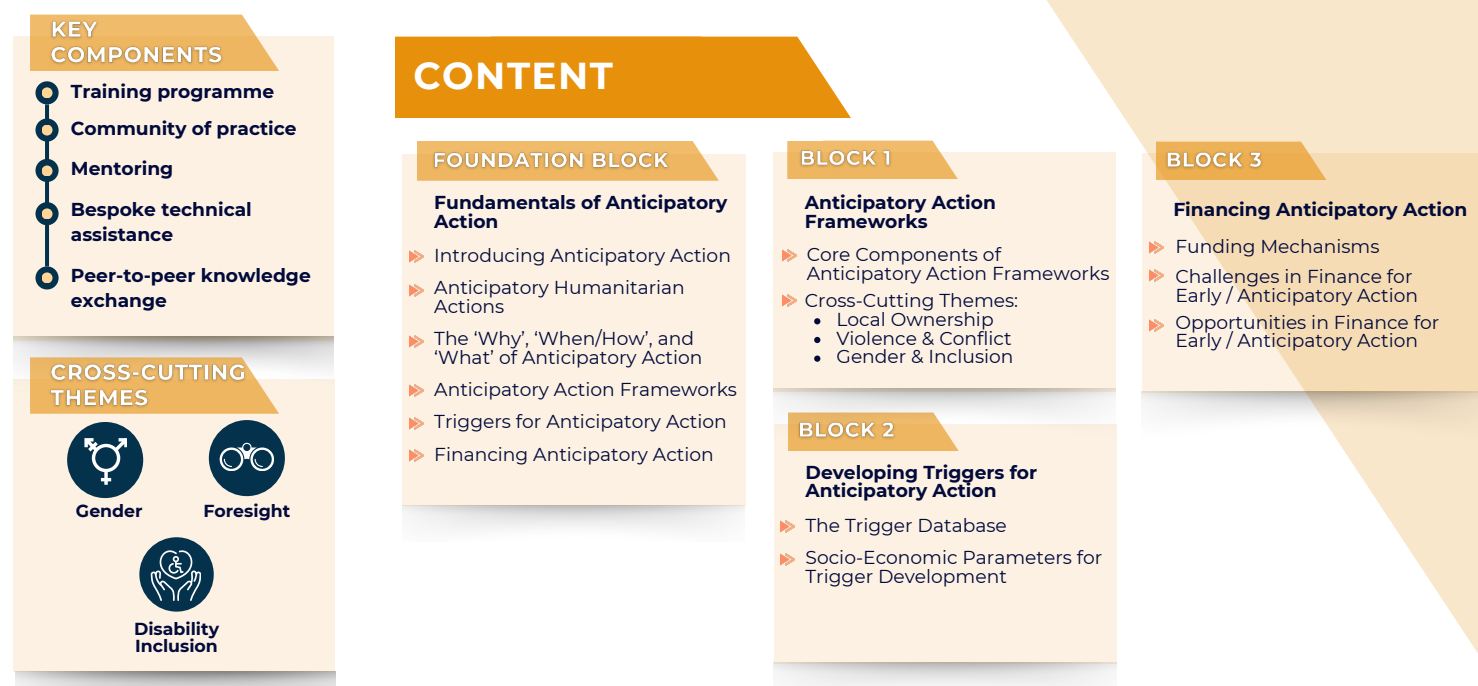


*) CBEWS: Community-based early warning systems

ANTICIPATORY ACTION

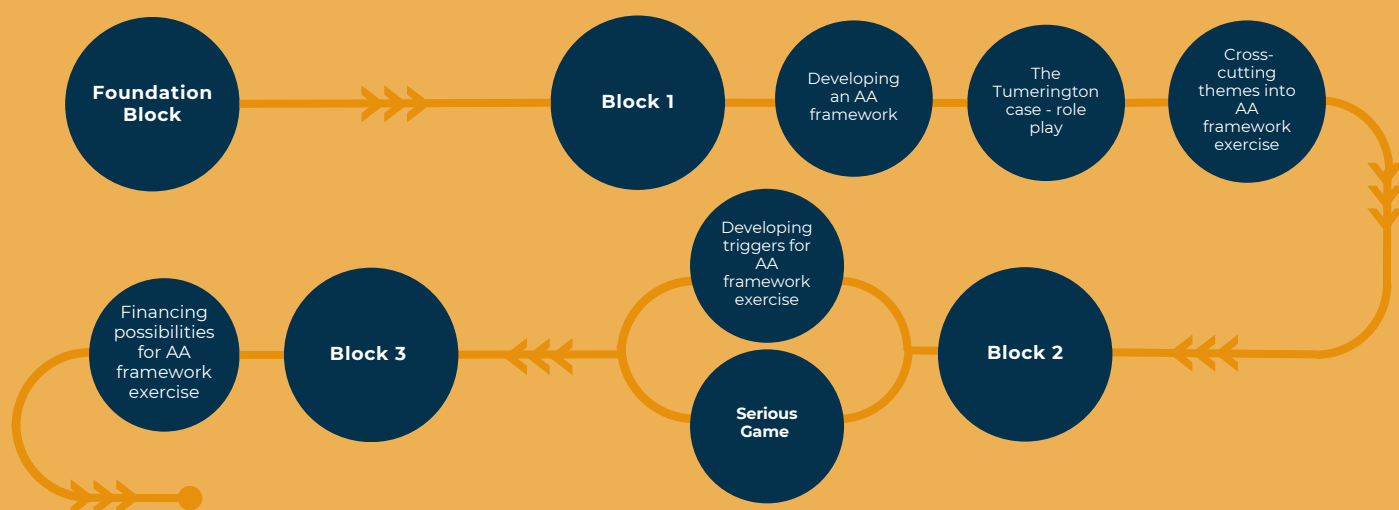
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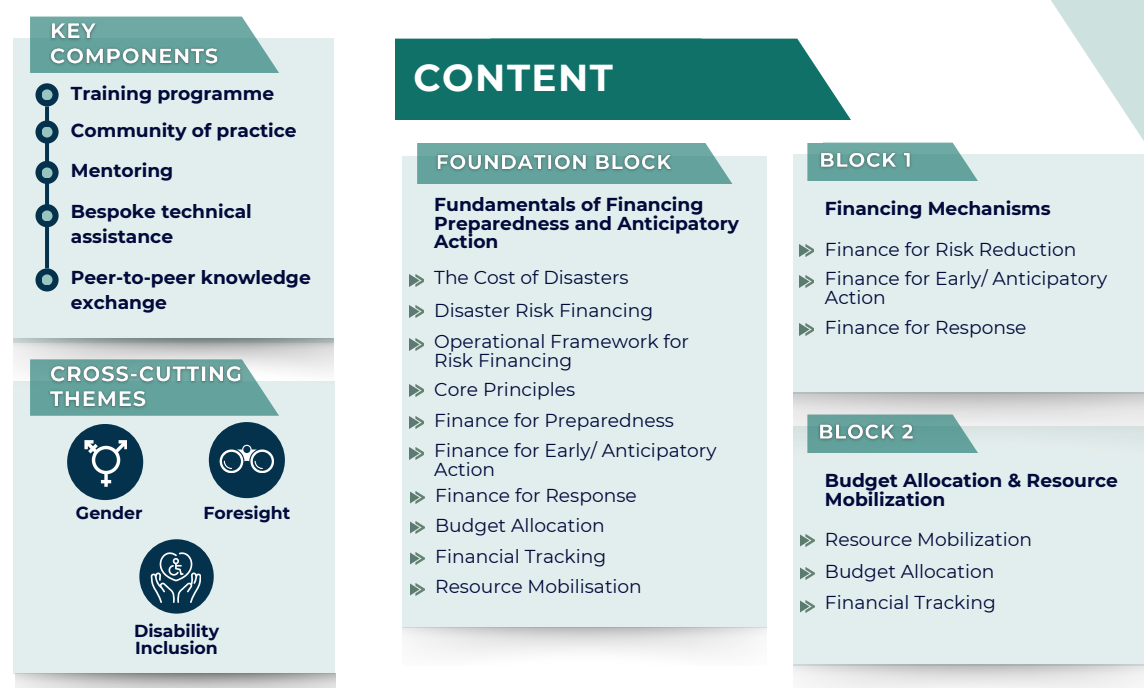
Core content from Module 5 is seamlessly integrated as part of an immersive in-person or online practice development experience, combining short presentation with simulation exercises or serious games, delivered by expert facilitators.



FINANCING PREPAREDNESS & ANTICIPATORY ACTION

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DELIVERY MODALITY: IMMERSIVE WORKSHOP

Core content from Module 6 is seamlessly integrated as part of an immersive in-person or online practice development experience, combining short presentation with simulation exercises or serious games, delivered by expert facilitators.

