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# **ISTOS**

### **PROJECT**

On September 15, 2021, the online zoom meeting between the partners and the stakeholders was successfully held. Initially, was scheduled for April 30, 2021, but due to the pandemic it was extended. The principal objective of this meeting was the acquaintance of the partners with the stakeholders. The partners by presenting the themselves and their research work on areas that the ISTOS deals with and the stakeholders by presenting their business project.



# KICKOFF MEETING

### PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES AND ELEMENTS

The kick-off meeting of the partners within the ISTOS project was organized via Zoom teleconference on Friday 13th of November 2020. The objectives of the kick - off meeting were:

- to introduce all the partners of the project,
- to develop a common understanding of the project objectives, activities and expected results,
- to discuss in detail the activities for the first 12 months,
- to clarify the project management and administrative procedures.

Representatives from all project partners participated at the meeting. The meeting was focused on the project vision, objectives, and outcomes as well as the partners' expectations through the project.





### ISTOS project

loss of life and damage to property. Some of these hazards, such as flooding, can happen anywhere while others such as earthquakes, can be site-specific. In most cases, hazards disrupt human activities leading to times of unrest and emergency. The communities which are vulnerable to such hazards are at greater which are vulnerable to such rhazards are at greater risk to experience human, economic, social, and environmental losses. The ISTOS project aims to strengthen the scientific excellence and innovation capacity of the network partners in the area of the structural safety of buildings and infrastructure, disaster risk reduction (e.g. earthquakes, floods, medicanes), and post-disaster management.

### CONCEPT OF ISTOS

e of the project, ISTOS will seek to bring together the exceled a dynamic, multi-disciplinary and challenging environments the level and ambition of the research activities in Cyprus.

- ral safety of buildings and infrastructure r risk reduction.

### PARTNERS

ISTOS blends the excellence of two partners from Cyprus: the Frederick Research Center (FRC) and the Cyprus University of Technology (CUT) with two internationally leading research institutions: the Unit of Soil Dynamics and Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering established at the Aristotle University in Thessaloniki (AUTH) of Greece and the PLINIVS Study Centre established at the University of Naples Federico II (UNINA) of Italy.





## WEBSITE

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The project website has been designed for the dissemination of the project from its very start, and will be updated with new material, periodically. The website available information regarding the project such as project objectives and outline, results participants, press releases, information on forthcoming events, etc.

The project website is available: http://istoscenter.eu/

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