

## Supporting Young Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems (MH-EWS) Professionals globally

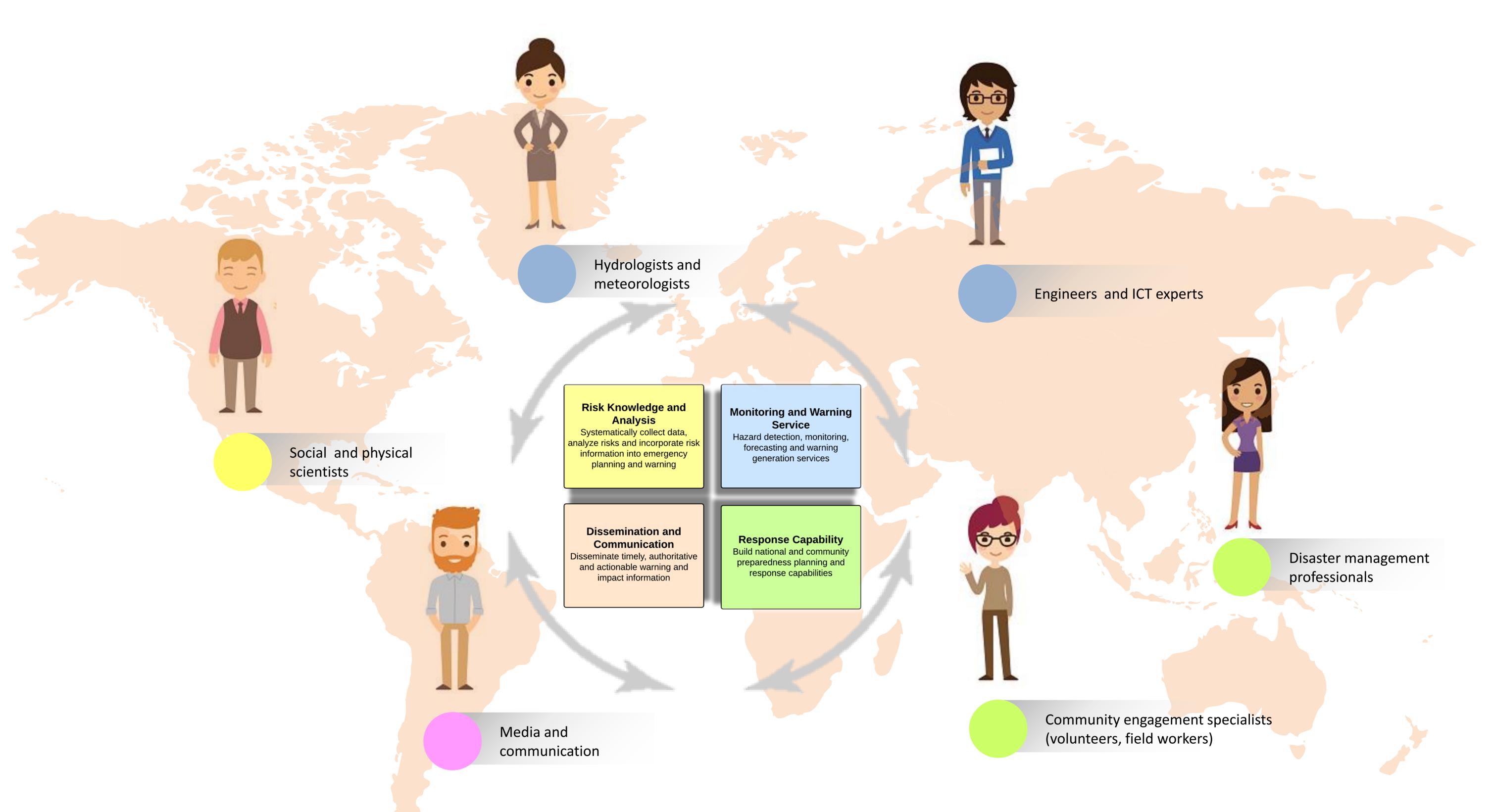
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## WHY?

- Young hydrologists, meteorologists, engineering and ICT consultants, disaster management and media professionals and community field workers / volunteers - form the operational backbone of MHEWS
- Innovating on Research & Development across boundaries e.g. impact based forecasting and warning
- Bridging the communication and technology gap between communities and scientists
- Generating effective MHEWS requires inter-disciplinary research and projects – we need to invest in this generation of thinkers.

## HOW?

- Promote regional exchanges between young hydrologists & meteorologists in NHMS
- Offer challenging roles for young professionals (various backgrounds) in international MHEWS development projects e.g. CREWS related
- Support peer-peer and intergenerational networking at national, regional and global levels
- Engage youth in communities of practice e.g. International Network MHEWS
- Fund innovative post-graduate (field) research
- Facilitate interdisciplinary capacity building & training

## WHATS NEXT?

- WYN, Deltares, IHE-Delft and RIMES have started connecting young MHEWS professionals since launching the initiative in May 2016
- WYN will coordinate to further build the community e.g. through WYN-**GWP-WMO Youth Competition** contacts, Facebook
- Connect young professionals and researchers on innovative EWS (research) projects
- Advocate with other international agencies, think-tanks and donors to develop the initiative e.g. WMO, Met Offices, NGOs
- Supporting youth engagement in the International Network MHEWS

