

First Engagement Round

The Minority Report (MR) project has completed its **first round of engagement activities** across its three pilot sites in Dublin (Ireland), Patras (Greece), and Wellington (New Zealand). These activities mark an important milestone in the **co-creation process** underpinning the overall project's development of the Minority Report Platform.

Through a series of targeted activities planned by Prospex Institute (PI) in close collaboration with relevant project partners, a wide number of community stakeholders and potential end-users not only learned about the project but also provided **critical insights, ideas**, and **knowledge** that will shape the development of the Platform in the coming years.

Potential end-users discussed technical requirements of the Platform, helped identify critical and vulnerable infrastructure in each pilot site, and gave their professional insights on community needs and vulnerabilities during climate emergency situations. Community members complemented the identification of critical and vulnerable infrastructure in the pilot sites and, through interactive activities, shed light on the different social and behavioral characteristics embedded within their respective communities and their lived experiences during past climate related emergencies.

A brief overview of each engagement activity:

Dublin, Ireland

On 14 May 2025, two activities were held in the Dublin pilot site - Ringsend and Poolbeg:

- An in-depth **workshop with end-users** including urban planners, academics, and policymakers discussing the pilot site's complex social and urban history with different major climate events.
- An afternoon community festival at the Ringsend and Irishtown Community Centre, featuring interactive stands with the project researchers and other fun activities led by Dublin City Council for kids of all ages to learn more about climate change.













Patras, Greece

On 26 May 2025, three engagement activities took place:

- Two community activities in distinct urban locations; the University of Patras campus and AB Vasilopoulos mall. Through these activities, citizens of all ages were engaged and informed about the project. The University of Patras team also gave an interactive presentation to school children on climate change and its impact on Patras.
- A workshop with potential end-users, such as urban planners, emergency & security representatives, and policymakers. The event involved in-depth discussions on risk resilience within the Greek context and the critical need for tools and intersectoral collaboration to improve the city's disaster risk preparedness.

Wellington, New Zealand

- The first end-user workshop took place in August, bringing together representatives from Wellington Water, Greater Wellington Regional Council, and Wellington City Council. Discussions focused on understanding the current state of climate risk information and response measures in the city and how the MR project can complement these.
- The **community engagement activity** in Wellington took place on the 1st of November. 13 community members joined our project partners from the University of Auckland and the University of Canterbury to discuss their day-to-day spatial behaviors in the pilot site, Wellington's Central Business District, and their previous experiences with major weather events, from coastal flooding to earthquakes.

Next steps

The Minority Report project is integrating the findings from each activity into ongoing research streams, related to the **design** of the Platform, its **functionality**, and the **models** being developed for it. Lessons learned from this first round are also already shaping the design of the next engagement activities across that will take place between **May and June 2026**.

These initial **dialogues** with citizens, end-users, and other relevant stakeholders, are vital to ensure that the Minority Report Platform will be **practical, relevant**, and **responsive** to the urban resilience challenges faced by each pilot site. The project team is looking forward to continuing these co-creative collaborations in the coming years!





