

RW Greece

Profile of expertise for Horizon Europe Cluster 3 calls

1. The company

RW Greece is a company established in Greece with long-standing expertise in Risk Management, Compliance and Financial Audit capitalizing on the solid expertise of its founders in the respective areas. The company is today a trusted risk management advisor to the boards and executive teams of some of Greece's fastest growing companies, from the media, culture, insurance and construction industries, assisting with improving their governance & operational transparency and achieving greater efficiency when it comes to decision making.

RW Greece adopts a holistic approach to the management of risks, applicable to any business operating & complexity model. The approach covers one, more or all of the organization areas (e.g. Commercial, HR, IT, Accounting & Finance) and it encompasses the design, creation, evaluation, update & documentation of policies, methods and procedures for the management of risks in each of the business areas or across the entire organization.

In addition, RW may undertake the identification, assessment and management of a wide range of risks, such as operational, credit, financial, legal, reputational, liquidity and market risk. The management of risks by RW also includes risk & control self-assessment programs as well as design and testing of risk mitigating controls.

RW offers comprehensive services in the following lines of activities, with the possibility to be provided as an adhoc assignment or as an outsourced activity:

- ISO & BS standardization services ranging from information security management methods & systems, privacy and personal management systems to occupational health and safety, environmental and energy to anti-bribery systems
- Business and Financial services ranging from financial management consulting for SMEs and StartUps, credit management and assessment of the risk arising from expanding to foreign markets (sovereign risk assessment)
- Compliance services, such the drafting of the whistleblowing policy and procedures with a focus on anti-corruption, ethics policies and conducting relevant due diligence
- Data protection methodologies with a focus on – but not limited to - personal data protection (in alignment with the EU GDPR regulation), ranging from information systems classification management, risk assessment, regulatory and operational gap analysis to assuming the role of Data Protection Officer.
- Risk management designed to encompass awareness raising on the risks inherent to any business, evaluation, control, reporting, management and ultimately limitation of exposure in an ever-changing complicated risk, technology and regulatory environment.

- Internal Audit management outsourced and co-sourced services from setting up an internal audit function and advise on the construction of an audit universe - based on the internal audit risk assessments - to the evaluation of an existing audit function, methodologies and processes, including of course the undertaking internal audit assignments upon request. In this area, the RW's advisory team can also provide expert support in data analytics and forensic audits for fraud examination, IT Audits, project management and monitoring.
- Crisis management and business continuity integrating assessment of risk and mapping, situational awareness, development of task forces, contingency plans and operations sustainability. In this area, RW's expert team provides advise on either preventive or remedial actions, including crisis and cyber crisis management (RW Crisis Management Task Force), information security governance, information security crisis tests (vulnerability testing and data breach simulation scenarios, risk assessments and risk mitigation services)

All the above services are underpinned by training activities designed for education and continuous improvement of staff and senior officials.

2. Interest in Horizon Europe

RW Greece is interested in contributing to Horizon Europe calls relevant to its core business, namely risk and crisis management, compliance, data privacy and standardization, although its range of services expands as described above. Hence, RW Greece presently wishes to focus on selected calls of Cluster 3 "Civil Security for Society", in particular "Disaster Resilient Society 2022" and "Fighting Crime & Terrorism 2022".

RW Greece may contribute to the development of the required risk management and resilience pathways for various operational domains. Furthermore, the RW Greece can help in the paradigm shift from "managing disasters" to "managing risks" through tested and best-practice methodologies, as well as training and promoting dialogue among different actors along the value chain of a proposal development.

2.1 Topics of interest

Destination: A Disaster-Resilient Society for Europe

Call - Disaster-Resilient Society 2022

Topic: [HORIZON-CL3-2022-DRS-01-01: Enhanced citizen preparedness in the event of a disaster or crisis-related emergency](#)

Indicative Contribution – in cooperation with SSH (Social Sciences and Humanities) experts

- Design and/or conduct the assessment of action protocols and models of responsibility to increase risk awareness and foster coalition between public administration and citizens aiming at reducing vulnerability.

- Contribute to the design of preparedness actions enabling the empowerment of citizens through bottom-up participatory and learning processes (training programs)
- Contribute to the design of preparedness plans, tests and continued adaption on how best to manage spontaneous volunteers and integrate those into the response are needed

Destination: Better protect the EU and its citizens against Crime and Terrorism

Call - Fighting Crime and Terrorism 2022

Topic: [HORIZON-CL3-2022-FCT-01-04: Public spaces are protected while respecting privacy and avoiding mass surveillance](#)

Indicative Contribution

- Provide set of common standards and good practices applied by local authorities, operators and policy makers for internal access restriction, anonymization and data minimization allowing a proportionate use of already installed surveillance-systems (such as CCTV) in public spaces, reducing the risk of misuse of collected data and respecting fundamental rights, especially the protection of personal data.
- Conduct the assessment and documentation of the compliance of innovative-alternatively designed surveillance systems to the prevailing regulatory standards
- Conduct the assessment and documentation of the surveillance conditions in a potentially pilot location chosen for systems to prevailing regulatory standards
- Assume the role of DPO for any public or private entity needing to ensure full compliance with EU GDPR

Destination: Better protect the EU and its citizens against Crime and Terrorism

Call - Fighting Crime and Terrorism 2022

Topic: [HORIZON-CL3-2022-FCT-01-05: Effective fight against corruption](#)

Indicative Contribution

- Conduct evidence-based risk assessment in any selected sector / market aiming at estimating the impact of corruption (social, economic, factors that promote or hinder it, impact on vulnerable groups, economic as well as fiscal and development costs) and the role of corruption as an enabler for other crimes (smuggling, human trafficking, etc) and terrorism.
- Conduct the assessment and documentation of potential societal and technological solutions for the prevention, detection and investigation of corruption against best practices and regulatory requirements.

3. Value adding contribution – potential role in Horizon Europe projects

RW Greece can be a valuable addition to a consortium responding to any of the above calls for proposals, as it can be instrumental in providing below services: with the following possible contribution:

- Conduct overview and assessment against the requirements of selected certification schemes aiming at ensuring full compliance of an organization.
- Development of compliance plan: comprehensive assessment of an organisation's readiness to embed compliance requirements such as GDPR
- Collaboration with other actors in a value chain (i.e. system engineers) for the implementation of compliance measures of any kind into organisational processes
- Development of audit procedures needed to ensure audit-readiness of an organization and quality assurance to boards and executive management teams.
- Development of information security policies
- Development of processes for handling data breaching incidents and responses
- Conduct privacy risk assessments & data impact protection assessments based on legal and regulatory requirements, relevant for pilot activities carried out in Greece.
- Contribution to methodologies for crisis management & review of existing gaps (knowledge, operational, organizational and technological)
- Design and/or evaluation of methodologies with strict interconnection between risk reduction and resilience of societies leading to sustainable development
- Contribute to evidence-based risk assessment in sectors not prone to established practices
- Training - workshops and on risk assessment/management
- Methodologies for life-cycle management of data protection management (classification management, data inventory, privacy risk & impact assessment, access request and breach management
- Data analytics and forensic audits for fraud examination & IT audits

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