Earthquakes can have extremely devastating effects on a socio-economic scale ranging from the destruction of infrastructure and livelihoods to the endangerment of human lives. Therefore, tremendous amounts of resources and efforts within the European Union have been dedicated to prevention and awareness raising of seismic risk and to the development of projects and initiatives to minimize the risks for humans and economy. However, past experiences have shown that Civil Protection has not been sufficiently prepared to palliate the emotional shock and burden that these events may cause children. The issue becomes increasingly severe for disabled children to which less attention has been paid. RACCE (Raising earthquake Awareness and Coping Children’s Emotions) is a project addressed to children, including those with movement disorders which focuses on raising awareness, improving knowledge on natural hazards, educating relative groups on best practices and state of the art responses and establishing collaborations between various civil protection operators.

Awareness-raising tools & practices:
Educational materials (flyers, posters)
Exhibitions & museums
Community engagement
Workshops & participatory learning

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