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News Release

IAEM-USA Announces the 2022 Technology and Innovation Award Winner

Oct. 11, 2022 (Falls Church, Va.) – The IAEM-USA Awards & Recognition Committee of the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) has selected the HazAdapt web app for the IAEM-USA 2022 Technology and Innovation Award. The award will be presented at the Monday Networking Luncheon and Awards Ceremony on Nov. 14 at the 70th IAEM Annual Conference & EMEX, in Savannah, Georgia.

The HazAdapt Web App Winner of the IAEM-USA Technology and Innovation Award

<u>HazAdapt</u> is a novel innovation for the emergency management community. It is the first information engagement technology for emergency communications. It is also the first technology to be built to the humanity-friendly ethical standard that ensures the tool has ethics systemically built-in at every level. HazAdapt's unique hand-in-glove functionality is the result of an emergency management advocate and systems expert working with the community rather than a software engineer or businessperson. The technology is award-worthy because it's a triple win for IAEM and communities. With the award, IAEM celebrates this novel innovation in the emergency management field, shares this free resource with those that are still experiencing these deadly communication gaps, and supports inclusive leadership and innovation in the field.

The Technology and Innovation Award recognizes the development of technology and innovation to improve emergency management operations, public education, or the emergency management/homeland security field. The nomination may not be used to promote, market, or advance sales of products or services. (This award is not to be used as a marketing or sales promotion tool).

IAEM-USA, the nation's largest emergency management professional association, is a non-profit professional organization representing more than 5,000 emergency management and homeland security professionals for local communities, state and federal disaster officials, private sector, non-governmental organizations, and others involved in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from all types of disasters including acts of terrorism. IAEM provides access to the largest network of emergency management experts who can provide advice and assistance; the Certified Emergency Manager program; annual scholarships; a comprehensive monthly newsletter; and more.