

# **Emergency Communications reforms in The Netherlands**

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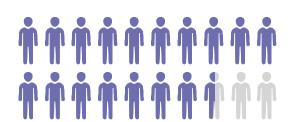
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#### 1. Basic information about The Netherlands



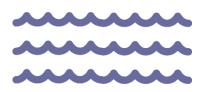
### About The Netherlands (1)



17,5 mln.







19% water
1/3 below sealevel



#### About The Netherlands (2)



- 1 national police
- 25 safety regions (fire and rescue services)
- 25 regional organisations for emergency medical services
- 1 military police
- 4 ministries involved

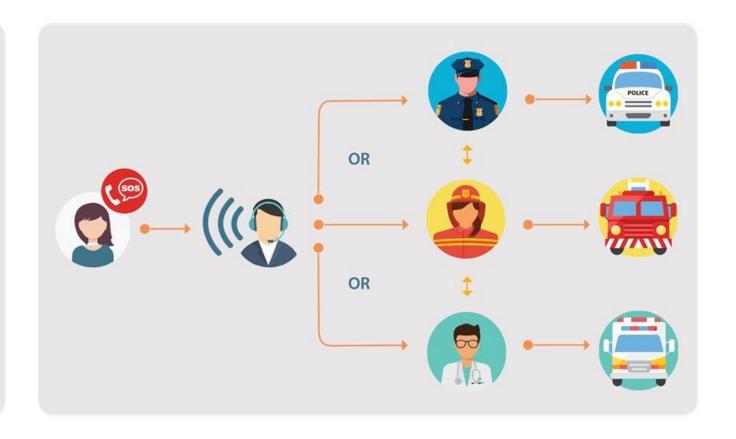


2. Current situation: our emergency calls handling model



### Emergency call handling model

	2020	2019
112 calls	3,1 mln.	2,9 mln.
Answered within 10 sec.	95,1%	96,2%
Call forwarded to 2nd stage PSAP	60%	65%

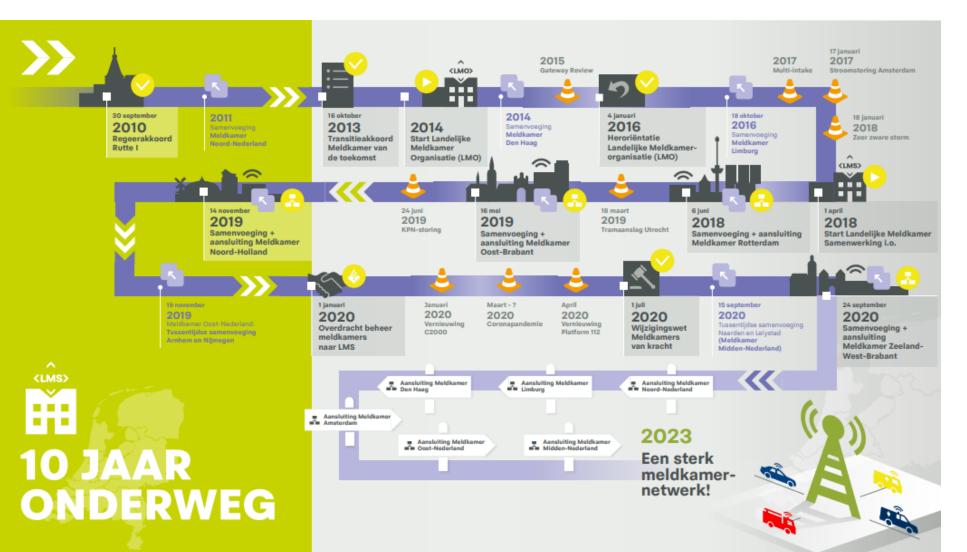




3. Reforms related to our emergency calls handling system/organisation



#### Decrease number of PSAPs

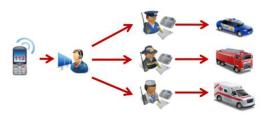


- Decision in 2010 to reduce the number of PSAP's
- 2013 all parties involved agreed on the route and end state of the transition
- Now: 14 2<sup>nd</sup> stage
   PSAPs and 4 of them
   connected to national
   IT network
- As from 2020, the police is responsible for the PSAPs



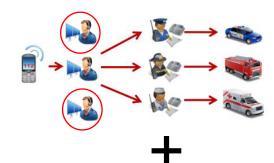
### Plans to change emergency call handling model

#### Now



## Gradual development focus in coming years

Strengthening continuity of 1st stage psap





Omni channel; looking for new ways of reaching 112; with direct routing to the 2<sup>nd</sup> stage psap if possible



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### Change of our CAD system





#### Remote 112



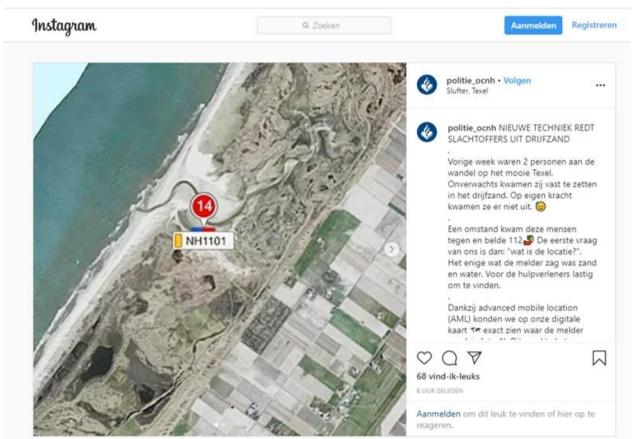
- Some 2<sup>nd</sup> stage PSAPs have remote 112 in place. Every PSAP has its own telephone system. Not every telephone system supports remote 112.
- In total there are about 80 remote 112 workstations at the moment (not equally divided over the PSAPs).
- Some PSAPs are testing.

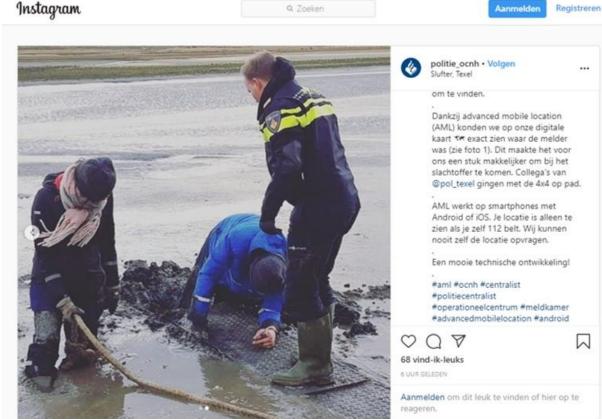


#### 4. Reforms in the context of the European legislation





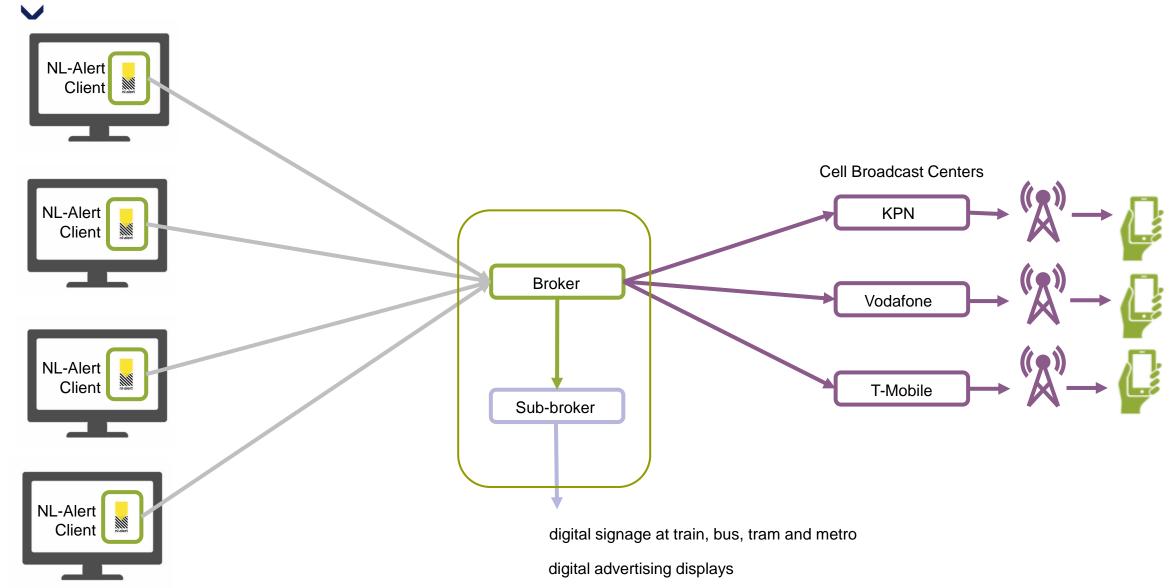




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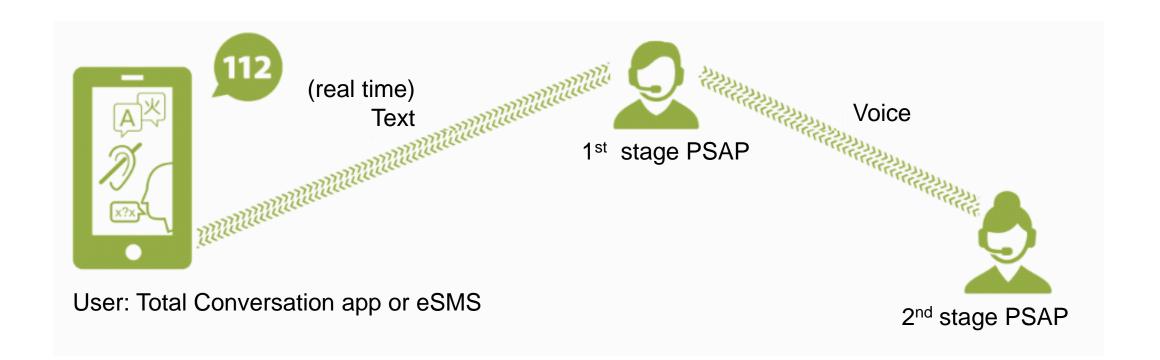


### Public Warning system: NL-Alert



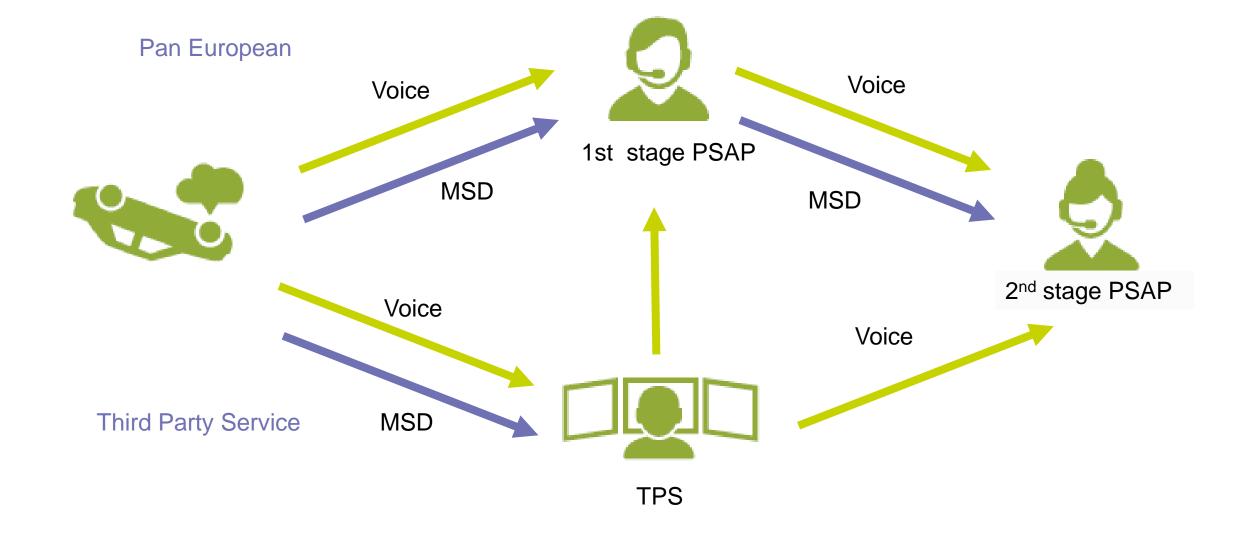


### Accessibility for people with disabilities





### eCall

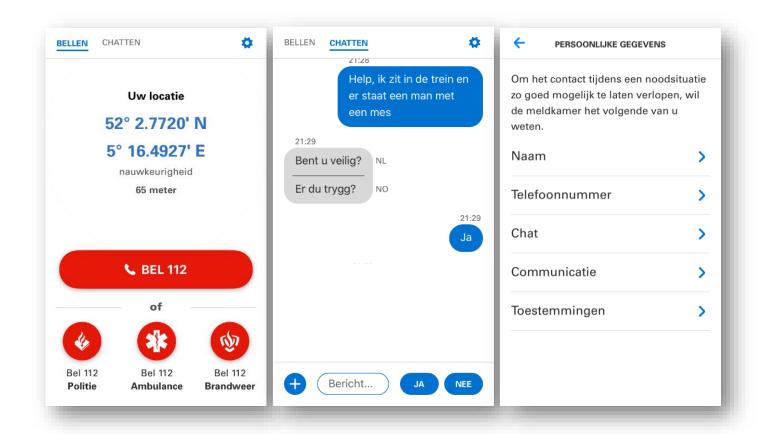




### 5. Other planned reforms/projects



#### 112app (called 112NL)



#### 1. EXTRA INFORMATION

The 112app user sends additional information to PSAP:

- · which emergency service is required
- name
- whether somebody has trouble speaking or hearing
- · the preferred language for the chat function.

#### 2. CHAT AT REQUEST OF OPERATOR (2ND STAGE)

The operator can start a chat conversation with the caller (the caller cannot start a chat himself)

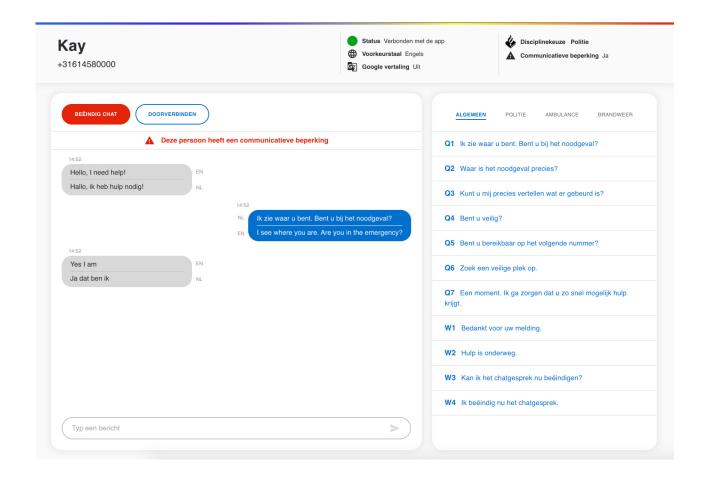
- The text becomes visible in real time
- There is a translation function for when the caller chats in another language.

#### 3. LOCATION

The app sends the phone's location, with updates upon more accurate location or movement



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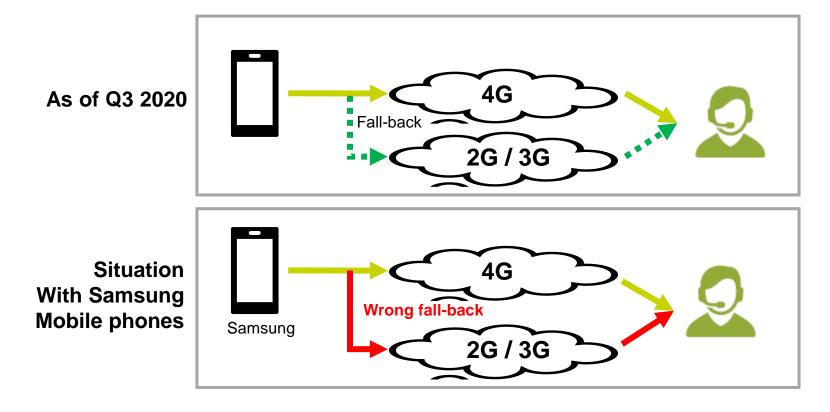


#### OPERATORS OPEN EXTRA WINDOW WHEN STARTING A CHAT

- Operator is shown in the CAD-system that someone is using the 112app and sees the additional information from the 112app.
- The operator can then click on a link that leads to the separate window for the 112app.
- There, the operator can take the initiative to start a chat conversation with the caller.



#### 112 over 4G



112 calls in a 4G network are routed via 4G connection. If the call setup via 4G fails, the mobile phone independently switches back to 2G/3G.



#### 6. Questions?



#### **Q&A** panel

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact us.



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