



Republic of Serbia  
MINISTRY OF INTERIOR  
Sector for Emergency Management

## DISASTER MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAMME 2017

*“Preparedness of local communities for response in emergencies”*  
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### EVENT REPORT

#### 1. General information and objective of the event

The event *“Preparedness of local communities for response in emergencies”* represents Serbia's contribution to the Disaster Management Training Programme (DMTP) for 2017 of the Disaster Preparedness and Prevention Initiative for South Eastern Europe (DPPI SEE). The event was hosted by Serbia and coorganized by Sector for Emergency Management Mol.

The aim of the event was to is the exchange is the exchange of experiences between DPPI SEE member countries in the field of raising the level of qualifications and better preparation of local communities for emergency response by establishing institutional, organizational and individual capacities for the implementation of protection and rescue as well as the provision of equipment, frequent trainings and the development of the the most efficient disaster response.

Target audience includes experts in charge of raising the level of competence of local communities to respond to emergency situations countries of the member countries DPPI SEE and experts of national and local protection and rescue services who are coordinate development of emergency response plans.

#### 2. Lecturers/ instructors

The event was conducted under the management of Sector for Emergency Management Mol Republic of Serbia and facilitated by Red Cross of Serbia.

#### 3. Participants

The event was attended by 39 experts from 9 countries.

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### 3. Conclusions and recommendations.

Some of the conclusions and recommendations of the Seminar are:

- Importance of exchange experiences among the participating countries and members of the DPPI SEE
- improving the cooperation in exchanging the information in the field of raising the level of qualifications and better preparation of local communities for emergency response in the region of Southeast Europe
- it was concluded that it is necessary joint participation and cooperation within the National Emergency Management and local self-government by establishing institutional, organizational and individual capacities for the implementation of protection and rescue
- it was concluded that it is necessary joint participation and cooperation in this field so consequences of emergencies would be reduced to a minimum
- it is necessary to work on further improvement and strengthening of cooperation between countries in the region, related to the legal regulation ( bilateral and multilateral agreements and harmonizing procedures in the region in accordance with European standards )
- Organizing seminars, workshops and exercises as well as the provision of equipment, frequent trainings and the development of the the most efficient disaster response.

### 4. Problems and solutions

All the participants were experts on the topics that were discussed on this Seminar and majority of their suggestions was related to the improvement in the field of raising the level of qualifications and better

preparation of local communities for emergency response. There were no problems or difficulties during the event that could have an effect to its success.

#### **5. Opinions of participants**

All participants expressed high impressions on fruitful knowledge they gained and excellent organization of this event. A number of comments were with regard to a similar situation in countries of a SEE region.

#### **6. Financial Report**

Mol/SEM provided its drivers and vehicles for transfer of participants from the airport to the hotel and vice versa. Mol/SEM provided translations. SEM Staff members – Kristina Milosevic, inspector, National training center for emergency situations; Mol/ SEM and Marija Vidanovic, inspector, International Cooperation Section, Mol/ SEM – were directly engaged in event management, preparing materials as well as organizing of social activities. All the additional expenses of Mol/SEM were not charged as Serbian contribution to DPPI SEE.

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