



DPPI SEE DISASTER MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAMME – 2015

Seminar on good practices in the field of transport of dangerous goods by road in the SEE region

24-25 March 2015, Podgorica, MONTENEGRO

EVENT REPORT

1. General information and objective of the event

The event “*Seminar on good practices in the field of transport of dangerous goods by road in the SEE region*” was Montenegrin contribution to the Disaster Management Training Programme (DMTP) for 2015 of the Disaster Preparedness and Prevention Initiative for SEE (DPPI SEE) and it was hosted by the Ministry of Interior – Directorate for Emergency Management of Montenegro.

The main goal of the seminar was to provide a platform for an exchange of information on best practices and experiences of the DPPI SEE member countries relating to the transport of dangerous goods by road while focusing on each participating country's respective law(s) regulating the carriage of dangerous goods (e.g. issuance of permits for transport of dangerous goods, classes 1, 6 and 7) and implementation of relevant control mechanisms to prevent accidents/damage to persons, property and environment.

The seminar on “Good practices in the field of transport of dangerous goods by road in the SEE region”, that was held on 24 – 25 March 2015 in Podgorica (Montenegro), was attended by 22 participants from different Montenegrin ministries, agencies, administrations and universities (Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Transport and Maritime Affairs, Environmental Protection Agency, Police Directorate and University of Montenegro – Faculty of Mechanical Engineering) and DPPI SEE member countries (Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia and Serbia). Participants from Montenegro and other DPPI SEE member countries have been professionals (researchers, experts and policy-makers) who are dealing with the transport of dangerous goods by road.

In accordance with agenda participants from Montenegro and DPPI SEE member countries (Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia and Serbia) presented issues relating to transport of explosives, radioactive, chemical and toxic substances by road as well as the testing of vehicles carrying dangerous goods. One of important part of seminar has been issuance of permits for transport of dangerous goods by road – classes 1, 6 and 7. The national legislatives in the field of transport of dangerous goods by road and security measures have been the main topics of seminar and participants had opportunity to exchange opinions and experiences related to national law(s) and EU directives and protocols in this field.

It is very important to emphasise the importance of discussion between experts on the different topics and issues relating to transport of dangerous goods by road. All participants were persons of great knowledge

and experience in matters concerning the transport of dangerous goods, emergencies, civil protection and similar areas.

2. Participants

The event was attended by 22 experts from 7 DPPI SEE countries (including Montenegro).

No	Country	Name
1.	ALBANIA	Mr. Ahmetaj ARIAN
2.	ALBANIA	Mr. Mustafaraj LABIAN
3.	BULGARIA	Mrs. Lyudmila SIMEONOVA
4.	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	Mr. Srdan OBRADOVIĆ
5.	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	Mr. Nusret ČAVČIĆ
6.	CROATIA	Mr. Ivan MATOSOVIĆ
7.	CROATIA	Mr. Ivica MEKOVEC
8.	MACEDONIA	Mr. Mitko DIMCEV
9.	MACEDONIA	Mr. Ljupčo GRNCISTANOV
10.	MONTENEGRO	Mrs. Sandra RACKOVIĆ
11.	MONTENEGRO	Mr. Dejan MARUNOVIĆ
12.	MONTENEGRO	Ms. Zorica MARKOVIĆ
13.	MONTENEGRO	Mrs. Tatjana ĐOKOVIĆ
14.	MONTENEGRO	Mr. Zoran IVANOVIC
15.	MONTENEGRO	Mr. Sreten NEDIĆ
16.	MONTENEGRO	Mrs. Vesna BURIĆ
17.	MONTENEGRO	Ms. Monja ĐUROVIĆ
18.	MONTENEGRO	Mr. Milanko DAMJANOVIĆ
19.	MONTENEGRO	Mr. Dragan KLIKOVAC
20.	MONTENEGRO	Mr. Bojan RADOMAN
21.	SERBIA	Mr. Milan VASOVIĆ
22.	SERBIA	Mr. Zlatko STEFANOVIĆ

Also, the event was attended by Head of DPPI SEE Secretariat, Ms Ivana Ljubojević.

3. Conclusions and recommendations

Main conclusions of seminar are:

- The event “*Seminar on good practices in the field of transport of dangerous goods by road in the SEE region*” was provided exchange of information on best practices and experiences between representatives from DPPI SEE member countries relating to the transport of dangerous goods by road as well as improved and advanced cooperation between DPPI SEE member countries. The seminar enabled the acquisition of necessary skills for further education and development of the system of protection and rescue and opportunity to achieve high standards in the field of transport of dangerous goods by road. All of mentioned are very important because in SEE region have a large number of transports of dangerous substances and in the case of accident caused during carriage of dangerous goods by road (during the import, export or transit) timely communication between all relevant authorities from the DPPI SEE member countries is of great importance for adequate first response to the accident and reducing the consequences which that dangerous substances can cause to persons, property and environment.
- Organising of events relating to the transport of dangerous goods by road should be one of priority in the phase of planning further activities under the Disaster Management Training Programme (DMTP) especially because in SEE region weren't organised events (seminars, workshops, conference and etc) related to transport of dangerous goods by road in the previous period.
- All participants have agreed about necessity of organising „Follow-up seminar on good practices in the field of transport of dangerous goods by road in the SEE region” and that main focus of this event should be Table Top Exercise. During Table Top Exercise all stakeholders should be trained related to procedures in the case of accidents caused by different types of dangerous goods according to the appropriate scenario. The Table Top Exercise target audience would include professionals (researches, experts, first responders, policy-makers) from all relevant authorities (from DPPI SEE member countries) responsible for implementing the transport of dangerous goods by road.
- All participants have concluded that transport of dangerous goods is very delicate area and continuously organising events on this subject can increase the adequate implementation of security measures and enable implementation and adoption of innovative, efficient and quality procedures.

3. Problems and solutions

No problems were experienced during the seminar. The participants demonstrated high level of knowledge and equally contributed to the two-day discussion. Participants were had a high level of the expertise and they were satisfied regarding to the all details of organisation the event.

Note: Ministry of Interior – Directorate for Emergency Management provided simultaneous translation from Montenegrin to English.

4. Opinions of participants

DPPI SEE participants were satisfied regarding to the organisation of the event (e.g. expertise and quality of seminar and level of services (accommodation, meals, transportation...)).

5. Financial Report

In kind contribution of the Ministry of Interior – Directorate for Emergency Management was 2.800,00 €.

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