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Project 4

KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFER OF BEST PRACTICE ON INTER-AGENCY CBRN RESPONSE

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS:

The National Coordinator for Counterterrorism and Security (NCTV, lead partner), The Netherlands; The Netherlands Forensic Institute (NFI), The Netherlands; The National Institute of Public Health and the Environment (RIVM), The Netherlands; The Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research (TNO), The Netherlands

IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD:

1 January 2013 – 1 January 2015

GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE:

South East Asia, South East Europe, Southern Caucasus, Moldova and Ukraine

PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES:

Albania, Cambodia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (fYRoM), Moldova, Myanmar, the Philippines, Serbia, Vietnam

BUDGET:

959,675.00 euro

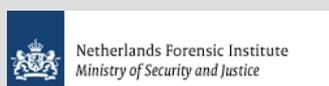
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The objective of the project is to assist the countries in the regions of South East Asia and South East Europe, Southern Caucasus, Moldova and Ukraine in strengthening the inter-agency networks of CBRN experts and agencies at both the national and regional level. This will help the countries improve cooperation and collaboration in case of an incident involving CBRN agents. The activities of the project have been specifically tailored to the needs of participating countries by actively involving four

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countries within each region. The other countries are kept informed on the progress and the main outcomes of the programme, thus also enabling them to benefit from it.

A kick-off meeting and two back-to-back workshops were organized in each region in 2013, bringing together the relevant agencies and key CBRN experts and cultivating the creation of an inter-agency network.

A central element in preparing for incidents is the development of an exercise cycle in which individuals, organizations and structures can exercise to develop and improve necessary skills and knowledge. To be able to do this, a group of specialists were trained in the exercise cycle, the development of learning goals, designing tailor-made interagency exercise plans and leading their implementation. In 2014, these specialists will be supported through the project in developing scenarios and carrying out national and regional inter-agency exercises. By organizing these exercises themselves, the local ownership and the continuity of the inter-agency network within the participating countries will be guaranteed.

A digital communications platform has been developed to provide for an ongoing sharing of knowledge and practices among the countries' experts.

By the end of the programme, each participating country will have developed and carried out exercises to validate procedures and protocols in an inter-agency setting at a national level. The final conference will serve to disseminate countries' results and further stimulate regional cooperation. During this conference the participating countries will present the results of the national progress, including the exercise implementation plan and ideas for further international cooperation. The final conference will be combined with an inter-agency CBRN-response table top exercise that will be developed and organized by the partner countries and the consortium.

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