

JOINT RISK ASSESSMENT

Abstract

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The Project "Joint prevention and mitigation of the consequences of natural and man-made cross-border disasters in the municipalities of Svoge and Merošina " will support joint prevention and mitigation of the consequences of natural and man-made cross-border disasters in the municipalities of Svoge and Merošina. The project will focus on building sustainable cross-border capacity and joint system for management and liquidation of consequences of natural and man-made disasters in the municipalities of Svoge and Merošina. The above referred municipalities from the border area have close social, economic, cultural, demographic and other characteristics and often face similar crisis situations. A major challenge for the municipalities of Svoge and Merošina is the lack of adequate equipment and resources for action in case of disasters. The project will allow for the purchase of necessary equipment, exchange of experience, creation of conditions for joint action and sharing of resources in the event of natural and man-made disasters in the border area. The project will be conducive to better cross-border cooperation and will establish a sustainable mechanism and model for risk prevention and management in the cross-border area.

The project will establish a system for effective sharing of resources on local and regional level, which is one of the key factors for successful prevention and mitigation of the consequences of natural and man-made cross-border disasters. The Lead partner under the present project - Svoge Municipality – regularly suffers from wild fires and flooding resulting in blockage of sewerage system and sewage overflow, which creates a major health risk for the local population. The municipality of Merošina on the other hand is located in the Nišava District and regularly experience wild fires and flooding problems. The municipalities of Svoge and Merošina have close social, economic, cultural, demographic and other characteristics and often face similar crisis situations. A major challenge for the municipalities of Svoge and Merošina is the lack of adequate equipment and resources for action in case of

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