



Increase of capability of the Czech USAR Team

070405/2008/513150/SUB/A3

Project co-financed by the European Community



Kick-off meeting, Brussels, 21 January 2009



Mr. Roman Franci



**General Directorate
of the Fire and Rescue Service
Czech Republic**

Content

- Rescue teams composition
- Challenges and objectives
- Steps ahead

CZech Emergency Response Teams (CZERT) Composition

- **Core staff**
 - professional fire-fighters
- **Other incorporated experts**
 - medical doctors and nurses
 - dog handlers with rescue dogs
 - mountain rescuers
 - cave rescuers
 - water rescuers
 - CBRN experts
 - other experts(dependent on the character of rescue operations)



Recent Experience

- Armenia, 1988, earthquake
- Turkey I, August 1999, earthquake
- Taiwan, September 1999, earthquake
- Turkey II, November 1999, earthquake
- France, December 1999 - January 2000, storms
- Algeria, May 2003, earthquake
- France, December 2003, floods
- Iran, December 2003, earthquake
- Pakistan, October 2005, earthquake

USAR Team Composition

USAR Team



PRAGUE



USAR Team



OSTRAVA

Main challenges

USAR Team



PRAGUE

EFFECTIVENESS
PROFICIENCY
RECOGNITION
COMPATIBILITY
SELF-SUFFICIENCY
SAFETY



USAR Team



OSTRAVA



Project partners

- **Ministry of Interior - General Directorate of the Fire and Rescue Service of the Czech Republic**
 - coordinating beneficiary
- **Fire and Rescue Brigade of the capital city Prague**
 - associated beneficiary
- **Fire and Rescue Brigade of the Moravian-Silesian Region**
 - associated beneficiary

Project objectives 1/4



- Increase of capability of USAR CZ Team to fulfil criteria defined for module no. 4 – Heavy USAR module
- Increase of operational abilities of USAR CZ Team in the field of civil protection assistance interventions
- Increase of professional skills of USAR CZ Team staff by special training in European training centres
- Increase of language skills of USAR CZ Team staff to be able to work in international environment
- Purchase of material with the latest and most up to date technologies that are compatible with other systems or make possibility of extensions

Project objectives 2/4



- **Language skills**

- English courses for USAR team members
- proper and smooth interaction of the team with other international entities
 - teams
 - coordination bodies
 - local authorities
 - victims
 - others
- more possibilities for participation in international courses, exercises, workshops, exchange of experts etc.

Project objectives 3/4



- **Special training**

- courses to increase professional skills of the USAR team members
- courses in a European training centre
- workshop lead by a foreign expert in the Czech Republic

Project objectives 4/4

- **Completion of necessary equipment**

- communication
- advanced life support (ALS)
- rescue equipment
- personal protection
- base of operation
- sanitation, hygienic and water purification



Steps ahead

1/2

- **1 January 2009**
 - beginning of the project
- **January 2009**
 - kick-off meeting
 - core group meeting
 - financial group meeting
 - survey of possible suppliers
 - selection of lecturers and training courses
- **April 2009**
 - international exercise in Poland

Steps ahead

2/2

- **July 2009**
 - 1st mid-term report
- **December 2009**
 - 2nd mid-term report
- **End of the project**
 - 30 June 2009
- **September 2010**
 - final report





Questions?

Questions?

Questions?

Questions?

Questions?

Questions?

Questions?

Questions?

Questions?

Questions?



Thank you for your attention

Contact:

Mr. Roman Franci

Tel.: +420 950 819 798

E-mail: Roman.Franci@grh.izscr.cz

Ms. Lenka Rašovská

Tel.: +420 950 819 718

E-mail: Lenka.Rasovska@grh.izscr.cz

<http://www.usar.cz/>

