



## 2014 Floods Emergency in Serbia

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Republic of Serbia Ministry of Interior Sector for Emergency Management





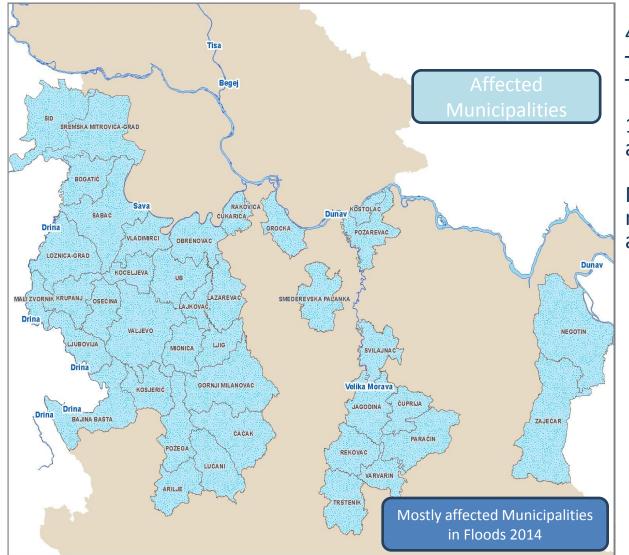
# Republic of Serbia has been affected by the catastrophic floods, unprecedented in its history.



Following the session of National Emergency Management HQ (NEMH) Emergency Situation was declared for the whole territory of the Serbia, on 15 May and lasted until 23 May 2014







40 Municipalities – 9 cities, and – 31 municipalities

1,6 million people were affected

Municipality of Obrenovac, near Belgrade, was mostly affected (90% flooded)





#### Consequences

➢ 31,879 people were rescued and evacuated with 180.000 in need of assistance

➢ 485 housing units are completely destroyed by the floods and landslides, 16.200 housing damaged

Environment

Economy – mostly affected economic sectors were energy, mining, and agriculture,

Road infrastructure – roads, bridges and railways

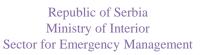
Health Sector – 74 health facilities, including health posts and clinics, were affected

Education – total of 35 buildings of educational institutions was severely damaged

Losses mount to 1,5 billion Euros









Republic of Serbia has engaged all available national resources in protection and rescue activities

National Emergency Management HQ, coordinated the work of all government ministries and agencies that were involved in the national response to the disaster.

#### **Emergency activities - Engaged Forces**

## > Sector for Emergency Management, Mol

Fire Rescue Units, Specialized Flood Response and USAR Teams, Specialized Civil protection Units

#### General Police Directorate, Mol

Police, Gendarmerie, Special Units, Helicopter Units, Border Police, Traffic Police, and all other services of the Ministry of Interior

- Serbian Army
- Red Cross of Serbia
- Mountain Rescue Service of Serbia
- Associations, organizations and companies
- Volunteers











#### **International Assistance**

On 15 of May Government of Serbia has requested international assistance on bilateral level and through the European Union Civil Protection Mechanism

- Flood Rescue Teams
- High Capacity Water Pumping
- Water Purification Teams

Sector for Emergency Management, Mol, was responsible for the coordination and engagement of the international teams in the affected areas

Assistance was provided by 14 countries – 22 teams – with 563 members











### **International Assistance**

## Through the EU Civil Protection Mechanism

- Austria
- > Bulgaria
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- France
- Germany
- Romania
- Slovenia











## **International Assistance**

## **Through Bilateral Relations**

- ➢ Belarus
- Croatia
- > Hungary
- Macedonia
- Montenegro
- Russian Federation











#### **International Assistance**

Assistance in facilitating and coordination the engagement and stay of international teams in Serbia was provided by EU and UN teams

EUCP Team

➤UNDAC Team



















## Thank you for your attention