



REPORT ON INDIVIDUAL EVENT

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Event name (write the name below):

South Eastern Europe Disaster Risk Mitigation and Adaptation Program (SEE DRMAP)

Number of participants -

Total: 50

(Please count or estimate this, as not all will be recorded in the list.)

1) Key questions or issues raised, main challenges or constraints identified (say, max 5):

If possible, record who raised these.

SECE CRIF:

- The establishment of SECE CRIF was affected by the global financial and economic crisis.
- SEE countries urgently need to invest in DRM (including risk financing) given the current economic and fiscal vulnerability.
- This initiative can incorporate more countries in the region.

HYDROMET:

- Difficult for state agencies to attract and retain highly trained personnel due to non competitive salaries.
- Donors' investment should take into account the need to cover the region as a whole rather than focusing all investments in one country (more cost-effective and technically sound). These investments can be financial and/or technical.
- Importance of joint and coordinated effort and actively looking for partners.

DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERIOR (MONTENEGRO):

- Good civil protection should be based on updated plans at the local and national levels.

DPPI SEE:

- It is a cohesive regional strategy for disaster preparedness and prevention with support of international partners but there is a need to create an active network amongst different partners involved in DRR.
- Disasters do not respect political borders; however mitigation and response require international joint effort.
- Limitation of the programme to SEE countries only – possible expansion to South Caucasus.

2) Principal proposed solutions, messages or recommendations:

If possible, record who offered these.

SECE CRIF, due to the global financial crisis, needs donors support for initial start-up (USD10 million).

HYDROMET project should be integrated into the larger DR mitigation efforts and not addressed alone.

Meteorology, hydrology and civil protection services should work together to develop an effective early warning system.

Ministry of Interior (Montenegro) proposed that national civil protection plans should include a full understanding of the risks and incorporate all the necessary services to address these risks before/during/after a disaster.

According to DPPI, disasters can be prevented by only in a multi dimensional, multi disciplinary effort.

3) Conclusions by the Chair of the event:

SEE DRMAP provides a framework for countries in the region and local and international partners to work together in a coherent manner to address the challenges of disasters.

SEE DRMAP is a pilot which may be replicated in other regions (such as South Caucasus and Central Asia).

It is critical to have solid national platforms as a basis for regional coordination on DRR and Disaster Risk Mitigation and Management.

4) Your additional thoughts on the event:

(E.g. on tone and success of event, unresolved issues, commitments made by participants, etc.)

Event was successful in disseminating information on the different activities of SEE DRMAP and in stimulating discussion on regional interventions for DRR.

Interest was expressed in the initiative by donors and NGOs and by non-SEE countries.

Active discussion during the event.

High attendance and audience stayed till the end.

