

### Annex 3: Framework for reporting identified practices

	Section	Setting objectives
1	Title of the practice	<b>Setting objectives for fire mitigation plan as part of Gabrovo Regional plan for conducting rescue and emergency recovery activities</b>
2	Precise theme/ issue tackled by the practice	Results of forest fire analyses, setting objectives of forest fire mitigation plans, institutions concerned
3	Objectives of the practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To prioritize fires as a medium risk in Gabrovo region</li> <li>To set objectives for mitigating fires</li> <li>To provide categorization of fires in order to have a more precise mitigation plan</li> <li>To show how relevant institutions coordinate</li> </ul>
4	Location	Gabrovo region – the territory of 4 municipalities – Gabrovo, Sevlievo, Dryanovo, Tryavna
5	Detailed description of the practice	<p>The expert analysis of fires determines Gabrovo as a region with <b>medium level of risk</b> with relation to fires. The <b>categories of fires</b> that are most likely to occur in the region are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forest fires – most likely, because Gabrovo is a mountainous region and great part of its territory is covered by forests</li> <li>Big industrial fires – more likely because of the textile and wood-processing industry, which is developed in the region. 21 potentially dangerous factories are defined and included in the mitigation plan. The comparative references made for each factory show the poisonous substances, the fire or explosive substances, the thermal destruction substances, the expected effect on living organisms</li> <li>Field fires during the harvesting campaign – less likely because Gabrovo is not an agricultural area</li> </ul> <p><b>Specification:</b> Most fires occurring on the territory of the region are of local character. Forest fires are possible to grow large due to the high inaccessible parts of the mountain. Industrial fires are the most dangerous to life and health and require prior preparation of rescue forces and reliable communication-notification system</p> <p>The fire mitigation plan is part of the overall <b>Regional plan for conducting rescue and emergency recovery activities</b> in case of</p>

		<p>disasters. It is developed on the basis of Art. 24 of the Law on Disaster Protection. The Regional plan for conducting rescue and emergency recovery activities deals with 7 different types of risk situations. For each of them there is a separate plan with concrete objectives and mitigation measures. The <b>strategic objective</b> of the fire mitigation plan is creating optimal organizational preparedness of the municipal administrations to accomplish the fire-fighting, rescue and localization activities in cases of fires. The whole organization for the protection of people is planned in coordination with the Directorate for Civil Protection – Gabrovo on the basis of the regional structures of ministries and departments involved in the single rescue system.</p> <p>The <b>sub-objectives of the plan</b> are concerned with the efforts of all institutions managing rescue and emergency recovery activities for creating and maintaining in organizational readiness:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• System for providing immediate information to the bodies managing rescue and emergency recovery activities, population, forces and resources for firefighting in case of forest (field) fires in the municipalities of the region.</li> <li>• Group of forces and means for locating and extinguishing fires and transportation to the areas of combustion in the Balkans and in the field.</li> <li>• Maintaining public order and security in areas affected by fires and protecting public and private property of citizens.</li> <li>• Keeping in readiness of the interacting forces and institutions relevant to protection against fires.</li> <li>• Keeping in readiness means of communication - radio and wire connections.</li> </ul>
6	Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The overall Regional plan for conducting rescue and emergency recovery activities is a multi-hazard document but the objectives and measures envisaged in each disaster plan are single-hazard. The objective which is multi-hazard is concerned with communication during disaster.</li> <li>• The setting of the objectives is a bottom-up process, meaning that technical and administrative expert staff propose objectives on the basis of risk analyses in the region. The objectives are in line with the National laws and priorities. Then politicians, like Mayors, Regional Governor and directors of relevant institutions discuss and approve the objectives. In the case of Regional plan for conducting rescue and emergency recovery activities, it is the Regional Governor that finally approves the Plan.</li> <li>• The instruments used for identifying and setting objectives</li> </ul>

		are consultations and discussions of the risk analysis conclusions and the prognosis for their consequences and influence.
7	Lessons learnt from the practice	The objectives of the plan are too general and not measurable, however there is a step-by-step action-plan for adequate reaction in case of 7 different disaster situations
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