



# PROJECT OVERVIEW

## TABLE TOP EXERCISE SVAROG 2017

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# Why project „Svarog 2017”

- Due to climate change caused increase in temperature and prolonged periods of draughts, the number of fires, their intensity and the size of the affected areas are unfortunately likely to increase in the near future. This clearly demonstrates the threat to the population and the environment, as well as potential detrimental effects on the economy



# Why project „Svarog 2017”

- For all of the mentioned reasons, there is a realistic likelihood that the MS operational capacities will be insufficient to respond to such threats and the international assistance might be needed. Therefore, a common approach for the coordination of assistance between the partner countries will be required
- Accordingly, there is a justified need for additional investments into strengthening of the international cooperation and assistance, aimed at a more efficient and faster response



# Name: Svarog



- **Svarog**, in Slavic mythology, is the god of fire and the sky, creator of all things in heaven and earth, the first divinity of the sun
- Svarog is associated with the sky, forging of iron and fire.  
According to legend, Svarog coined the sun and put it in the sky

Source - <https://hr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Svarog>

# Project partners

- Croatia - National Protection and Rescue Directorate (**Coordinator**)
  - France – Entente (**Beneficiary**)
  - Montenegro – Ministry of Interior – Directorate for Emergency Management (**Beneficiary**)
  - FYR Macedonia – Regional fire monitoring centre (**Beneficiary**)
  - Austria – Ministry of Interior – Department for Operations, Crisis and Disaster Coordination (**Participant**)
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- **Implementation:** Croatia, France, Montenegro, FYR Macedonia
  - **Duration:** 12 months (01/02/2017 – 31/01/2018)
  - **Total eligible cost:** 377.432 € (EC financial contribution 85% of total)

# **PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

- **3 project management meetings:**

1. Kick Off meeting in Bruxelles: 15/02/2017
  - ✓ Meeting with partners and Commission representatives
2. Kick Off meeting in Zagreb: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017
  - ✓ The detailed arrangements for the implementation of the project with all project partners; roles and responsibilities allocated
3. Final meeting in Zagreb: January 2018
  - ✓ Exercise evaluation comments and final issues discussed

- **2 exercise planning meetings**

# ACTIVITIES

- **4. workshops:**

1. Workshop – May 2017 – Valabre, France

- possible terms

1. Possible from 02 to 05 May (Monday 01 May is a public holiday)
2. Possible from 09 to 15 May (Monday 08 May is a public holiday)
3. Impossible May 15-19 (Exercise INSARAG)
4. Impossible May 22-24 (Techno days and 25 is a public holiday)
5. Possible from 29 May to 02 June

- duration:

Day 1

- arrival to 12:00
- Working activity from 15:00 to 19:00
- Dinner after 20:00



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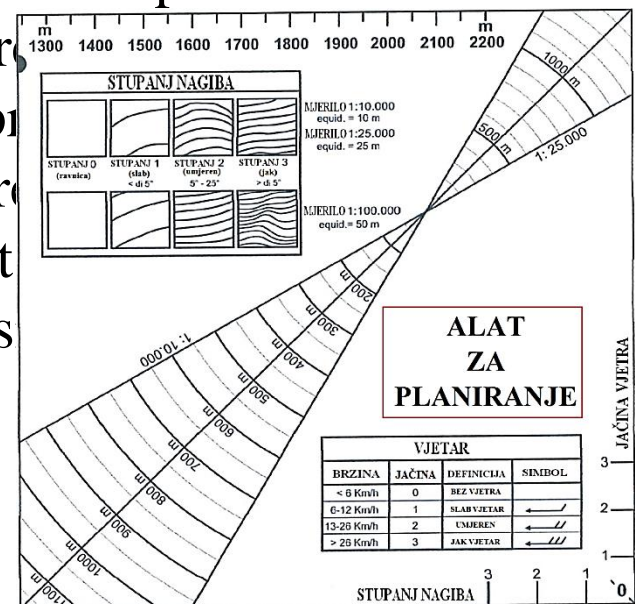
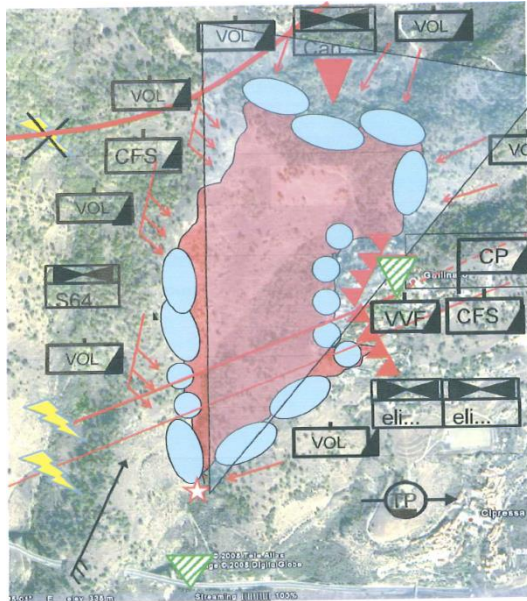
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# ACTIVITIES

## 2. Workshop – September 2017 – Montenegro

- ✓ Introduction of the Civil Protection Mechanism and familiarization with Host Nation Support
- ✓ 1st exercise planning meeting

- duration: 2 days

## 3. Workshop – 1st week in October 2017 – Divulje

- ✓ GIS tools as support to the management of intervention extinguishing forest fires
- ✓ Next Generation Incident Command System (NICS)
- ✓ 2nd exercise planning meeting

- duration: 2 days



# ACTIVITIES

- 4. Workshop – 4th week in October 2017 – FYR Macedonia
  - ✓ Evaluators Training and preparation of evaluation methodology for exercise
- duration: 2 days
- **HANDBOOK PRINTING**
  - The results of all three workshops will be summarized and presented in the handbook
- **Campaign „FIRE PREVENTION MONTH”**
  - International firefighter’s day 4 May
  - May – Fire prevention month – campaign in all project countries to raise awareness about fire prevention and to promote the project

# SVAROG Exercise

## Combination of TTX and CPX

The exercise is made up of two segments - Table Top Exercise (TTE) and Command Post Exercise (CPE).

The aim of the exercise is to test operational concepts, interoperability between the countries and joint decision-making, to exercise procedures of the Mechanism and deployment of exercise teams and equipment, and particularly the use of relevant Commission's services such as Emergency Response Center (ERCC), all in real time and in realistic setting.

# Table Top Exercise - TTX

**Date:** 3rd week of November 2017 (2 days) (14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017)

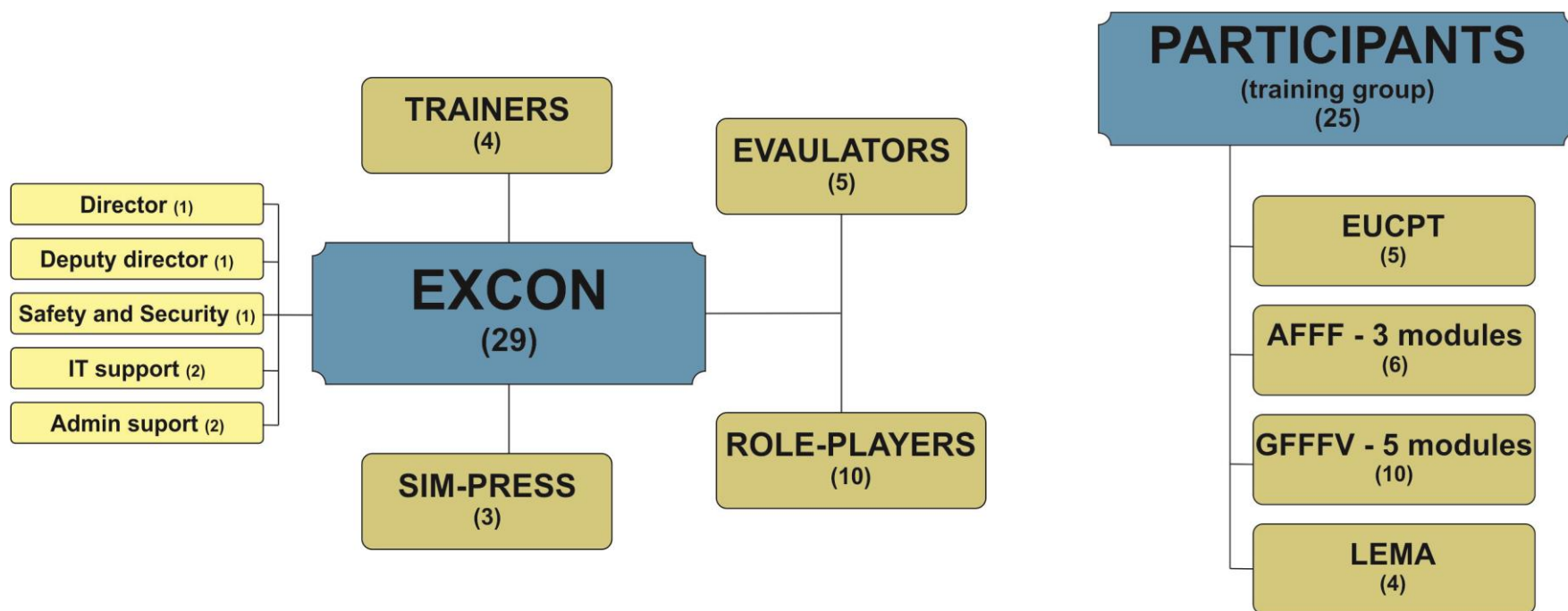
**Location:** Dubrovnik/Cavtat, Croatia

**Participants:** 25 representatives from project partner

**Objectives:** Coordinate/harmonize the procedures and management of fire intervention, training of EUCPT, MODULES, team management and national PoC (HQ level) for interventions of forest fires.



# Table Top Exercise – EXCON/PARTICIPANTS



# Table Top Exercise - TTX

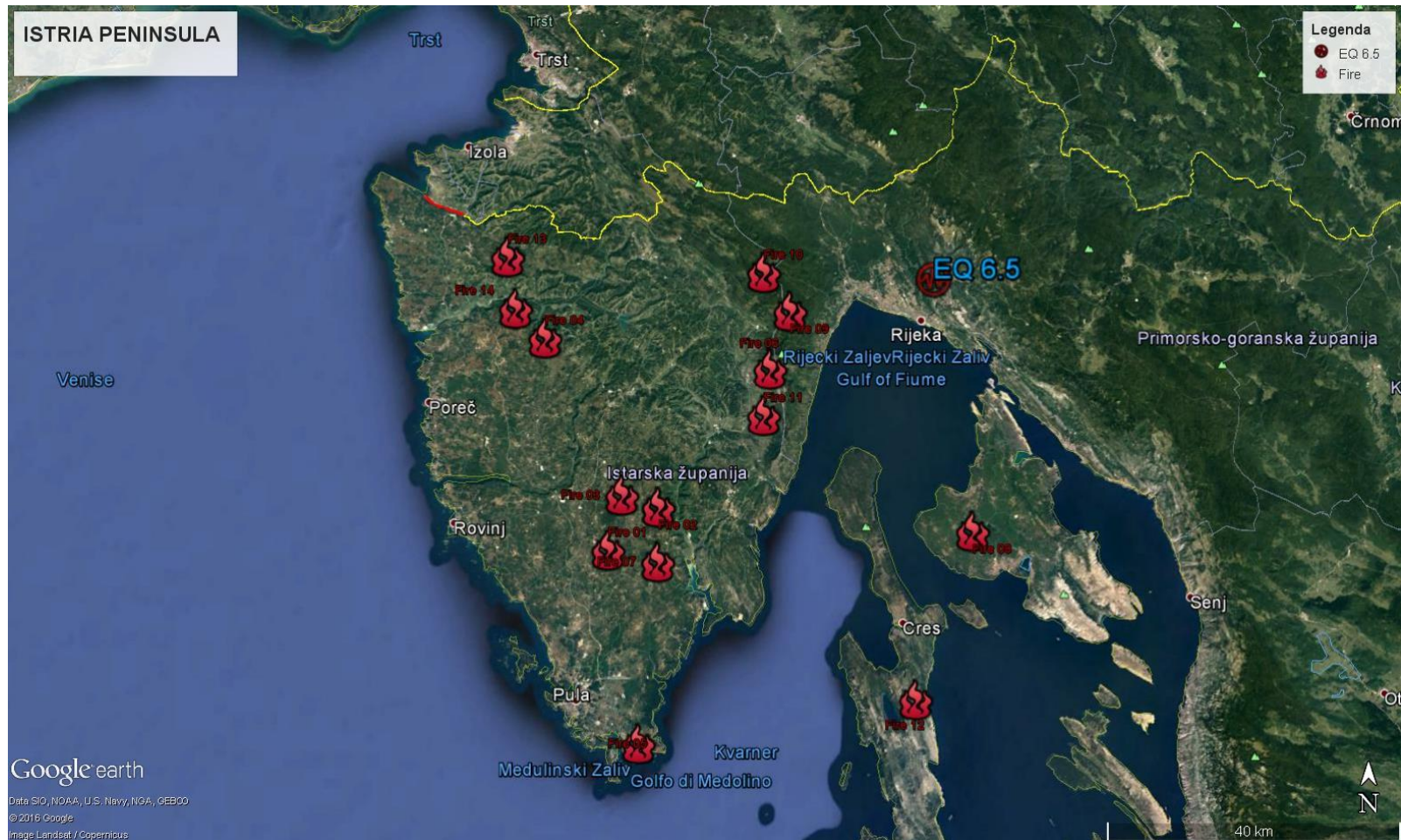
**Scenario:** During the summer high temperatures and long-lasting drought caused numerous fires at Adriatic coast, and the worst is at Istria Peninsula. There are 15 fires at the moment being suppressed by 100 firefighters with 15 vehicles. Extremely strong winds reaching the speed of 90 km/h prevent the aerial forces from fighting fires at this moment. An earthquake of 6.5 degrees hit the area of Rijeka Bay. Most domestic power is concentrated in the rescue from the ruins, so the lack of forces for the fight against forest fires.

Need for international assistance – activation of UCPM





# Table Top Exercise – map / location





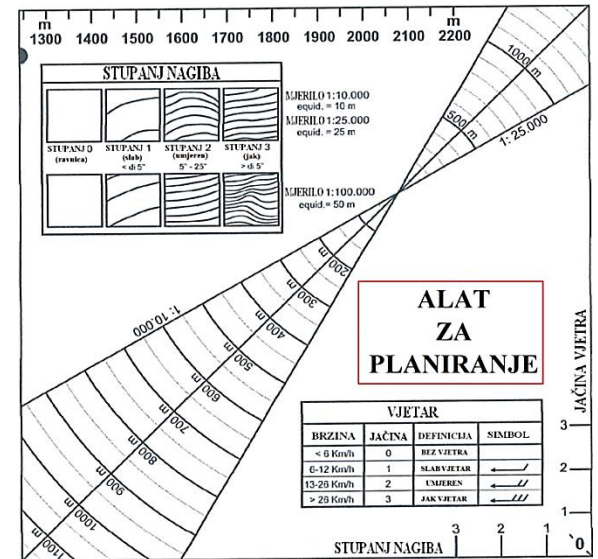
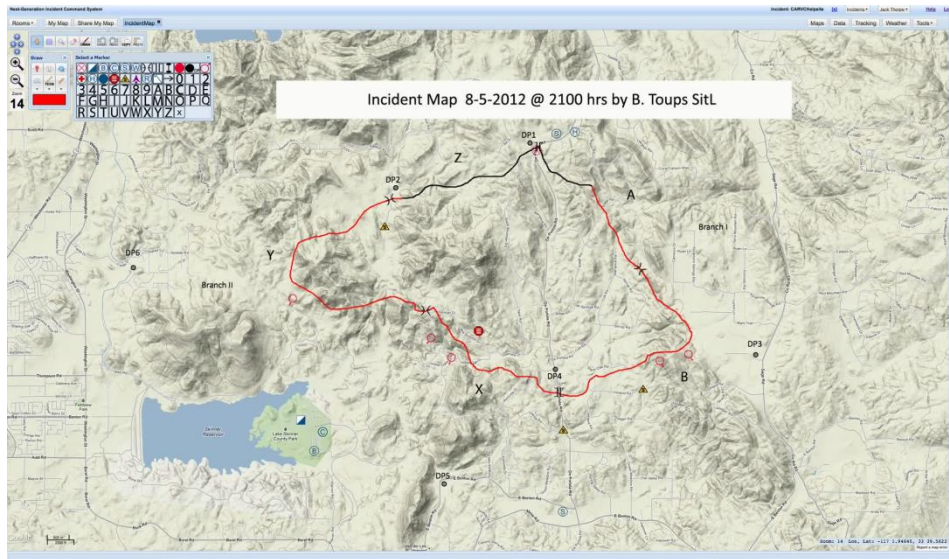
# Project objectives

- The main project objective is to improve civil protection preparedness and response to forest fires through a real-life scenario exercise serving as a testing environment. It will provide learning opportunities to train operational procedures of the Mechanism, improve cooperation among the Member states, as well as share best practices and knowledge regarding the latest communication tools and applications



# Project objectives

- In the recent years new analogue and GIS tools have been developed with the aim to facilitate the management of the firefighting interventions by commanding officers. One of the project goals, therefore, is to familiarize end users with the modern technological tools and identify those that could be suitable to all the partners



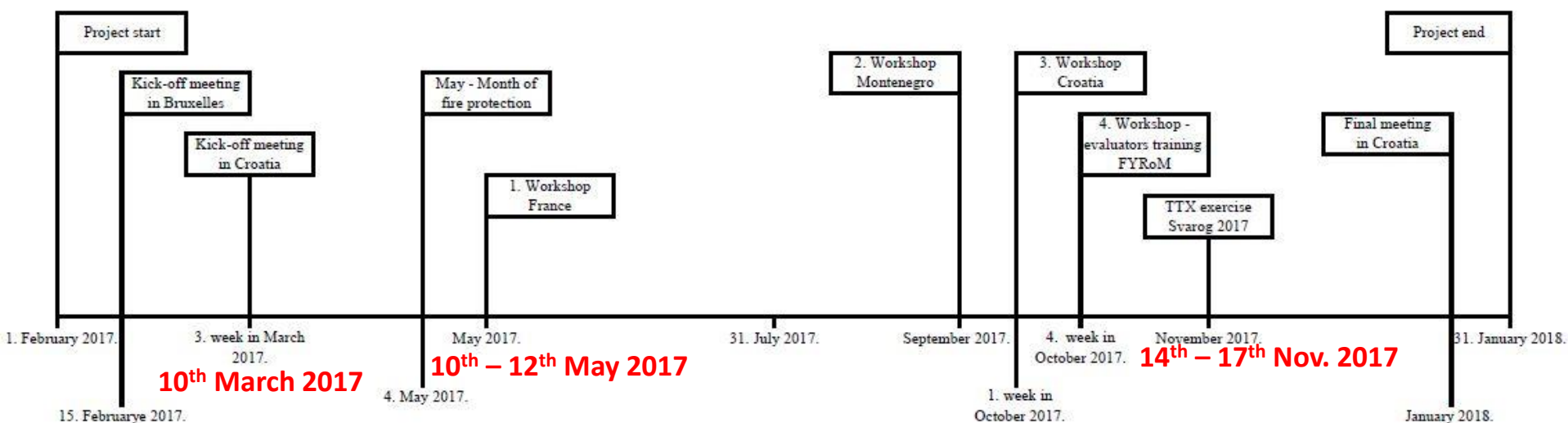
# Priorities

1. **Establish partners project team**
2. **Confirm timetable of activities/location**
3. **Promotion** (logo, web-site, social media, banner, campaign)
4. **Finance** (transfer of funds to all project partners, financial instructions)
5. **Reporting structure** – Mid-term progress report– 30 August 2017, Final report – 31 January 2018 (+ 60 days?)
6. **Admin organization** (events fact sheets, time sheets, dropbox folder, etc.)
7. **Current State Analysis** – in order to plan the exercise in the most efficient way, the analysis of best practices and shortcomings in each partner country will be made (Questionnaire)

# Expected results

- Existing procedures enhanced and most adequate technological tools selected
- Timely and updated information sharing among project partners enhanced
- Preparedness of all the respective countries to respond to forest fires enhanced
- Interoperability of the intervention teams improved
- Participating States are better prepared to receive and provide assistance through the Mechanism

# Project timeline



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**QUESTIONS?**