

**ROMANIA**  
**MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS**  
**DEPARTMENT FOR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**



**GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR MEDICAL EMERGENCIES**

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**TO**

**ESTONIAN RESCUE BOARD**

*Mr. Vaiko VASTFELD*

*Dear Mr. Vastfeld,*

On behalf of the Head of the Department for Emergency Situations within the Romanian Ministry of Internal Affairs, Dr. Raed Arafat, Secretary of State, it is my pleasure to invite the Estonian Rescue Board to participate in the CROSSFLOOD Union Civil Protection Mechanism Full Scale Exercise planned to take place in Romania in 2026. The project is currently in draft phase and, if awarded by the European Commission, the full-scale exercise will take place in the second half of 2026.

CROSSFLOOD aims to train Civil Defence Organizations and UCPM (Union Civil Protection Mechanism) modules on operating their mission set in a post-conflict area of operations and develop a training program. Attached to this letter you will find the detailed exercise description.

As the coordinator of the project, the Department for Emergency Situations would like to extend this invitation to the Estonian Rescue Board to participate in the full-scale exercise by providing units specialized in operating in a CBRN environment, a flooding scenario and possibly in an explosive ordnance disposal scene. This exercise will provide an excellent opportunity for the Estonian Rescue Board to train in a multinational environment focused on cross border response and civil protection operations in (post) conflict areas such as Ukraine.

The size of the deployed units is at your discretion and details regarding the team's size and requirements can be discussed with the project consortium.

The duration of the full-scale exercise is planned to be of approximately 3 days, plus one day allocated for travel and one for departure of the units. Furthermore, if awarded, the project will offer additional training opportunities during 2025 and 2026 such as workshops and tabletop exercises.

The deadline for the submission of our exercise proposal is 25<sup>th</sup> of April 2024. We therefore kindly ask you to let us know your intention to participate in this project at your earliest convenience.

We remain at your disposal or any questions you may ask and look forward to hearing from you.

*Kind regards,*

**DEPUTY GENERAL DIRECTOR**

*dr. Bogdan POP*

