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(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision No 2007/162/EC, Euratom establishing a Civil Protection Financial Instrument¹, and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision No 2007/779/EC, Euratom establishing a Community Civil Protection Mechanism (recast)², and in particular Article 2 thereof,

Having regard to Commission Decision 2007/606/EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC³,

Having regard to Commission Decision 2008/73/EC, Euratom amending Decision 2004/277/EC, Euratom as regards rules for the implementation of the Mechanism,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002⁴ on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities, as last amended by Council Regulation No 1525/2007 of 17 December 2007⁵ (Financial Regulation),

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities⁶, as last modified by Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 478/2007 of 23 April 2007 (Implementing Rules)⁷,

Whereas:

- (1) The Civil Protection Financial Instrument established by Council Decision No 2007/162/EC, Euratom is intended to support and complement the efforts of the Member States for the protection, primarily of people, but also the environment and property, including cultural heritage, in the event of natural and man-made disasters, acts of terrorism and technological, radiological or environmental accidents and to facilitate reinforced cooperation between the Member States in the field of civil protection.

¹ OJ L 71, 10.03.2007, p. 9

² OL L314, 1.12.2007, p. 9

³ OJ L 241, 14.09.2007, p. 17

⁴ OJ L 248, 16.09.2002, p. 48

⁵ OJ L 343, 27.12.2007, p. 9

⁶ OJ L 357, 31.12.2002, p. 1-71

⁷ OJ L 111, 28.04.2007, p. 13

- (2) Article 6(2) of Council Decision No 2007/162/EC, Euratom states that financial assistance may take the form of grants or public procurement contracts.
- (3) Article 6(3) states that, in the case of grants, the Commission shall adopt annual work programmes specifying the objectives, the schedule of the call or calls for proposals, the indicative amount involved, the maximum rate of financial intervention and the results expected.
- (4) Article 6(4) states that, in the case of public procurement, contracts including framework contracts for the purposes of mobilisation of the necessary means for implementing rapid response actions shall be included in the annual work programme.
- (5) Under Article 110 of the Financial Regulation, grants are subject to an annual work programme.
- (6) Under Article 166 of the Implementing Rules, the annual work programme for grants is to be adopted by the Commission. It is to specify the basic act, the objectives, the schedule of calls for proposals with the indicative amounts and the results expected.
- (7) This Decision constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 75 (2) of the Financial Regulation and Article 90 of the Implementing Rules.
- (8) Under Article 168(1) (a), (b), (c), (f) of the Implementing Rules, the Commission can decide to award grants without a call for proposals either in exceptional and duly substantiated emergencies or to bodies with a duly substantiated de facto or de jure monopoly or for actions with specific characteristics that require a particular type of body on account of its technical competence.
- (9) The annual work programme to implement Council Decision No 2007/162/EC, Euratom should therefore be adopted.
- (10) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established by Article 13 (1) of Council Decision No 2007/162/EC, Euratom.
- (11) Under Article 83 of the Financial Regulation, creditors paid late are entitled to receive default interest charged to the line from which the principal was paid. It is therefore necessary to foresee that such default interest falls within the scope of this Decision.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The work programme set out in the Annex is hereby adopted as the 2010 Annual Work Programme on the following budget articles and items, for the amounts of appropriations proposed by the Commission in its 2010 Preliminary Draft budget:

- Budget item 07 01 04 02 - Civil Protection Financial Instrument – Administrative Management - for an amount of €450 000;
- Budget article 07 04 01 - Civil Protection Financial Instrument - for an amount of €18 000 000;
- Budget article 19 06 05 - Civil Protection interventions in third countries- for an amount of €8 000 000.

Article 2

Within the maximum indicative budget set out in the Annex, cumulated changes on the sub-items not exceeding 20 % of the maximum contribution of the Community are not considered to be

substantial provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the work programme.

The authorising officer by delegation may adopt such changes in accordance with the principles of sound financial management.

Article 3

The implementation of this work programme is subject to the adoption of the 2010 budget without substantial amendment and the availability of the corresponding appropriations.

Article 4

The Director-General for Environment is responsible for ensuring the publication and implementation of the annual work programme.

Article 5

The appropriations covered by the work programme may be used to pay default interest in accordance with Article 83 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002.

Done at Brussels,

For the Commission
Stavros Dimas
Member of the Commission

ANNEX
CIVIL PROTECTION FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT
WORK PROGRAMME 2010

The budget amount indicated is for EU 27 as foreseen for the year 2010 and can be supplemented by the contribution from the EEA countries and future accession countries, which have signed a Memorandum of Understanding.

Legal bases:

Council Decision No 2007/162/EC, Euratom establishing a Civil Protection Financial Instrument,
Council Decision No 2007/779/EC, Euratom establishing a Community Civil Protection Mechanism (recast),

Commission Decision 2008/73/EC, Euratom amending Decision 2004/277/EC, Euratom as regards rules for the implementation of the Mechanism,

Commission Decision 2007/606 EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC, Euratom.

Budget lines:

07 04 01 Civil Protection Financial Instrument

07 01 04 02 Civil Protection Financial Instrument - Expenditure on administrative management

19 06 05 Civil Protection interventions in third countries

Budget amounts:

On budget line 07 04 01: €18 000 000

On budget line 07 01 04 02: €450 000

On budget line 19 0605: €8 000 000

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME

The Civil Protection Financial Instrument established by Council Decision No 2007/162/EC, Euratom is intended to support and complement the efforts of the Member States for the protection, primarily of people, but also the environment and property, including cultural heritage, in the event of natural and man-made disasters, acts of terrorism and technological, radiological or environmental accidents and to facilitate reinforced cooperation between the Member States in the field of civil protection. It builds on three main objectives - Response, Preparedness and Prevention.

The present work programme covers the actions that are eligible for financial assistance under the Civil Protection Financial Instrument in the field of response, preparedness and prevention.

In compliance with Article 8 of the Civil Protection Financial Instrument, in implementing these actions, synergies and complementarity with other instruments of the Union or the Community shall be sought.

For emergencies occurring inside the EU, this will include consistency with Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002 establishing the European Union Solidarity Fund.

In the case of response to disasters in third countries, the Commission will in particular ensure the complementarity and coherence of the actions included in this work programme and the actions financed under Regulation (EC) No 1257/96 on EC Humanitarian Aid.

Actions inside the Community – i.e. actions in the field of prevention and preparedness as well as actions related to the civil protection response to major emergencies within Member States – are covered by budget line 07 04 01. Actions related to the response to major emergencies in third countries are covered by budget line 19 06 05.

BUDGETARY OVERVIEW

The following section shows the different sub-headings of the 2010 Work Programme by budget line and by type of procedure - Grants, Procurement and Reimbursement of expenses.

• Budget Line 07 04 01 - Civil Protection Financial Instrument

Total amount earmarked in 2010: €18 000 000

Grants :

Transport resources	Action 1.2a	€830 000
Exercises	Action 2.3	€2 000 000
Preparedness projects	Action 2.5	€1 350 000
Workshops with EU Presidency	Action 2.6	€150 000
Prevention projects	Action 3.1	€1 700 000
TOTAL		€6 030 000

Procurement :

Transport resources	Action 1.2b	€1 000 000
Training	Action 2.1	€5 000 000
Exchange of experts	Action 2.2	€600 000
Exercises on modules on Technical Assistance and Support Teams	Action 2.4	€2 000 000
Disaster Prevention	Action 3.2	€100 000
Other Prevention Activities	Action 3.3	€500 000
Support and awareness-raising activities	Action 4.1	€600 000
Early Warning	Action 4.2	€1 130 000
Maintenance and further development of CECIS and MIC	Action 4.3	€300 000

TOTAL €11 230 000

Reimbursement of expenses:

Dispatching expertise Action 1.1 €130 000

Lessons learnt programme, technical meetings,
training and exercise observation missions Action 2.7 €610 000

TOTAL €740 000

- Budget line 07 01 04 02 -Civil Protection Financial Instrument-Expenditure on administrative management

Evaluation and audit Action 5.1 €250 000

CECIS hosting, MIC security and resilience Action 5.2 €200 000

TOTAL €450 000

- **Budget line 19 06 05 -Civil protection interventions in third countries**

Dispatching expertise (Reimbursement of expenses) Action 1.1 €1 340 000

Transport and associated logistics (Grants) Action 1.2a €3 600 000

Transport and associated logistics (Procurement) Action 1.2b €3 060 000

TOTAL €8 000 000

THEMATIC OVERVIEW

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OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE

A. BUDGET LINE 07 04 01 – CIVIL PROTECTION FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT AND BUDGET LINE 19 06 05- CIVIL PROTECTION INTERVENTIONS IN THIRD COUNTRIES

1. RESPONSE

1.1 DISPATCHING EXPERTISE

Objectives	<p>Dispatch assessment and coordination experts, along with their supporting equipment, facilitate the provision of assistance and cooperation with other actors in the event of major emergencies, or imminent threat thereof, in civil protection assistance interventions in the framework of the “Mechanism”.</p> <p>Provide appropriate logistical support for the assessment and/or coordination experts it deploys.</p>
Expected results	<p>The assessment and/or coordination team of experts is deployed quickly and works safely and autonomously in the field in close cooperation with the UN and DG ECHO whenever the latter are involved on the emergency, keeping contacts with the competent authorities of the State requesting assistance and other actors concerned by the emergency, in coordination with the MIC.</p> <p>The team of experts is provided with the safety and telecom equipment necessary to fulfil its tasks and may mobilize all technical and logistical equipment necessary to assess the situation, the civil protection needs, and/or facilitate the coordination on site of civil protection assistance channelled through the Mechanism by Participating States.</p>
Type of activity	<p>Experts’ missions as defined in Art. 5.4 of the Council Decision 2007/779/EC, Euratom: “establishing the capability to mobilise and dispatch, as quickly as possible, small teams of experts” and on the basis of Art. 4.2 a of the Council Decision 2007/162/EC, Euratom "dispatching assessment and coordination experts along with their supporting equipment, in particular communication tools, to facilitate the provision of assistance and cooperation with other actors present"</p>
Indicative amount	<p>€130 000 on budget line 07 04 01 (for missions inside EU) €1 340 000 on budget line 19 06 05 (for missions outside EU)</p>
Type of procedure	<p>Service contract with a logistic executive service provider.</p> <p>Pending the entry into force of the contract, activities will be managed with the following procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use of existing framework contract for travel and accommodation costs; reimbursement of such costs to experts whenever the use of the framework contract is not possible;• Use of framework contract or low value contracts for insurance coverage of experts and liaison officers, including risks not covered

	<p>by the standard Commission contract;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of low value contracts for purchase of safety, telecommunication and technical equipment; • Reimbursement of all operational costs of the experts approved and necessary to execute the mission that were paid in advance by the MIC Liaison Officers (e.g. with official credit cards) • Reimbursement of all other mission's related costs to experts on the basis of written agreements.
Indicative schedule	<p>Open call for tender for a service contract:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publication of the call: 1 quarter 2010 • Closure: June 2010 • Award decision: August 2010 <p>Dispatch of experts on a case by case basis, depending on emergencies and activations of the "Mechanism".</p>

1.2A TRANSPORT RESOURCES⁸⁹ (GRANTS)

Objectives	Complement the transport provided by Participating States by financing additional transport resources necessary for ensuring a rapid response to major emergencies falling in the scope of the Mechanism.
Expected results	Participating States transport the assistance offered through the Mechanism (and accepted) by a requesting country efficiently and timely in order to cope with the nature of the emergency's scenario.
Type of activity	<p>Co-financing of the following transport costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Related to the movement of transport resources to the point of dispatch in the territory of the Participating State offering the civil protection assistance; • Incurred from the point of dispatch to its final destination; • Necessary for the return journey of the transport assets and any team and their equipment; <p>Only if all the criteria as defined in Art. 4.2 (c) of the Council Decision 2007/162/EC, Euratom: "complementing the transport provided", are met.</p>
Indicative	€830 000 on budget line 07 04 01

⁸ Overall amount earmarked for this action: €2 030 000 on budget line 07 04 01 and €6 660 000 on budget line 19 06 05. The distribution of the Transport funds between grants and procurement is not binding and will depend on the type of financial supports (grant or transport service) requested by the Participating States to the Commission.

⁹ In accordance with Commission Decision 2007/606/EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC, including Article 9.

amount	<p>€3 600 000 on budget line 19 06 05 -Civil protection interventions in third countries</p> <p>Eligible costs are established in Article 9 of Commission Decision 2007/606 EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC. Art. 4.3a) of the Civil Protection Financial Instrument provides for reimbursement of at least 50% of the Community funds by Member States.</p>
Type of procedure	<p>Grants awarded without calls for proposals to competent authorities designated in compliance with Article 12 of the Commission Decision 2007/606 EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down the rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport (Art.110FR/Art. 168(1)(a), (b), (c) and (f) of IR).</p>
Indicative schedule	<p>Individual grant agreements with competent Member State authorities upon occurrence of emergency based on the Criteria set out in Article 8 of Commission Decision 2007/606 EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC Euratom.</p>

1.2B TRANSPORT RESOURCES¹⁰¹¹ (PROCUREMENT)

Objectives	<p>Support Participating States in obtaining access to transport resources by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifying and facilitating their access to transport resources that may be available from other sources, including the commercial market; • Complementing the transport provided by Participating States by financing additional transport resources necessary for ensuring a rapid response to major emergencies falling in the scope of the Mechanism.
Expected result	<p>Participating States transport the assistance offered through the Mechanism and accepted by a requesting country efficiently and timely in order to cope with the nature of the emergency's scenario, with transport resources available from other sources, including the commercial market.</p>
Type of activity	<p>Provision of information on available alternative means of transportation. Co-Financing of the following transport costs:</p>

¹⁰ Overall amount earmarked for this action: €2 030 000 on budget line 07 04 01 and €6 660 000 on budget line 19 06 05. The distribution of the Transport funds between grants and procurement is not binding and will depend on the type of financial support (grant or transport service) requested by the Participating States to the Commission.

¹¹ In accordance with Commission Decision 2007/606/EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC, including Article 9.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Related to the movement of transport resources to the point of dispatch in the territory of the Participating State offering the civil protection assistance; • Incurred from the point of dispatch to its final destination; • Necessary for the return journey of transport assets and any team and their equipment; <p>Related to the alternative transport resources accepted and hired.</p> <p>Actions shall be eligible for financial assistance only if all the criteria as defined in Art. 4.2 (c) of the Council Decision 2007/162/EC, Euratom: “complementing the transport provided”, are met.</p>
Indicative amount	<p>€1 000 000 on budget line 07 04 01</p> <p>€3 060 000 on budget line 19 06 05 - Civil protection interventions in third countries</p> <p>Eligible costs are established in Article 9 of Commission Decision 2007/606 EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC. Art. 4.3a) of the Civil Protection Financial Instrument provides for reimbursement of at least 50% of the Community funds by Member States)</p>
Type of procedure	Use of existing framework contract with a broker
Indicative schedule	<p>Renewal of existing framework contract in December 2010.</p> <p>Signature of specific contracts upon occurrence of emergency based on the criteria set out in Article 8 of Commission Decision 2007/606 EC, Euratom of 8 August 2007 laying down rules for the implementation of the provisions on transport in Council Decision 2007/162/EC Euratom.</p>

2. PREPAREDNESS

2.1 TRAINING

Objectives	Significantly improve the Community preparedness, notably regarding the dispatch of coordination and assessment teams of experts and the deployment of European civil protection assistance intervention teams and modules to European and third countries.
Expected results	<p>Staff management, coordination and assessment skills of managers, experts and administrators are enhanced, notably for the participation in emergencies of a magnitude and nature which overwhelm the capacity of the requesting State and need the coordination of international community response. Expected number of experts to be trained in 2010: 350 – 450.</p> <p>Enhancement of the knowledge and skills of national and Community diplomatic personnel regarding civil protection.</p> <p>Establish at experimental stage the main components of Disaster Management Training Arrangements in accordance with Council conclusions on European disaster management training.</p> <p>Enhancement of the knowledge about the Community Mechanism among national experts selected to attend the Mechanism training programme and among trainers and students conducting and attending disaster management course at the national level.</p> <p>Training centres share a common syllabus, agreed with MIC and conforming also to UN standards; CMI and modules basic courses are provided with training curricula and material established in all community languages.</p> <p>Improved skills of trainers for reaching the above results.</p>
Type of activity	<p>Provision of courses to Participating States' experts (civil protection including CBRN experts and marine pollution), MIC, DG RELEX, DG ECHO and UN experts who could participate in interventions, and national and Community diplomatic personnel.</p> <p>Provision of training documentation (i.e. books, UN UNDAC handbook, documentation for diplomatic personnel, etc.)</p> <p>Meetings of trainers, of the Training Policy Group and ad hoc expert and stakeholder meetings, and preparation of documents for those meetings.</p> <p>Provision of a learning material that could be used as pre-training material for experts attending Mechanism courses or during national training courses. Conduct "train the trainers" workshops for national training centres.</p>
Indicative	€5 000 000

amount	
Type of procedure	<p>Framework contract with training centres. Indicative number of specific contracts: 7</p> <p>Open call for tender</p> <p>Use of existing framework contract for travel and accommodation costs of trainers, Training Policy Group members, and experts and stakeholders; reimbursement of such costs whenever the use of the framework contract is not possible.</p> <p>Use of low value contracts for purchasing training material to be provided in addition to that already provided by training centres.</p> <p>Use of framework contracts or restricted call for tenders for the provision of expertise and organisation of meetings.</p>
Indicative schedule	<p>Renewal of existing framework contract and commitment of new contracts, as appropriate, in November 2010.</p> <p>Indicatively three meetings and two workshops will be organised by the Training Policy Group; eight meetings of the training centres selected to provide EU courses; five expert and stakeholder ad hoc meetings.</p>

2.2 EXCHANGE OF EXPERTS

Objectives	Improved effectiveness of the transnational cooperation provided through the Civil Protection Mechanism by improving the knowledge and experience of the experts involved and by offering the possibility to attend or give courses requiring specific knowledge not available in their home or host country respectively.
Expected results	Experts have experience and direct knowledge about similar responsibilities under different national systems; they are familiar with various techniques and approaches taken by other emergency services, with modules and 112 call centres.
Type of activity	<p>Design, organisation, promotion and monitoring of a system of exchange and short term placement of experts (target: 250 -300 experts)</p> <p>Priority will be given to the following categories of experts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - experts who can be called upon for EU missions, - experts working in operation centres; - experts in CBRN; - experts in prevention.
Indicative amount	€600 000
Type of procedure	Open call for tender; service contract.

Indicative schedule	Publication of the call: January 2010 Closure: March 2010 Award decision: July 2010
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2.3 EXERCISES

Objectives	To improve civil protection preparedness and response for all kinds of emergencies, including marine pollution, through providing a testing environment and learning opportunity for all actors involved in civil protection assistance interventions under the Community Civil Protection Mechanism, all actors involved in civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams, as well as testing the procedures of the Civil Protection Mechanism itself.
Expected results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The response capacity of intervention teams is improved as the result of the testing of the procedures of the Civil Protection Mechanism; in particular this will imply quicker response time, improved cooperation arrangements, better communication between HQ and field, identification of shortcomings in the existing structures. • Participating States are aware and prepared to receive and to provide assistance through the Mechanism.
Type of activity	<p>Exercises simulating the situation and conditions of major emergencies for the activation of the Mechanism including Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear emergencies and the involvement of Participating States through the MIC, mainly with deployment of intervention teams (including modules), teams of experts, national key contact point staff, officials of the Community Institutions and other intervention support</p> <p>Parts related to satellite communications might be subject to special procedure established between the Commission and European Space Agency (ESA), co-funded by the ESA.</p>
Indicative amount	€2 000 000
Type of procedure	<p>Calls for proposals;</p> <p>Maximum co-funding rate of 85% of eligible costs, with a maximum of €1 000 000 of EC contribution for each proposal financed.</p>
Indicative schedule	<p>Publication: January 2010</p> <p>Closure: April 2010</p> <p>Award decision: August 2010</p>
Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria	<p><i>Eligibility criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The emergency scenario is realistic and of such magnitude to overwhelm the capacities of the affected country;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The request for assistance to the Monitoring and Information Centre is established through the official channels of the affected State (National Authority) and coordinated through the MIC and the official channels of the other Participating States; • The Community Civil Protection Mechanism is activated; • At least two Participating States other than the State affected by the emergency simulated commit to dispatch intervention teams, civil protection modules, or technical assistance and support teams through the MIC: • Involvement of the national civil protection authorities of Participating States in the project. <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Selection criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven evidence of adequate operational capacity and professional qualifications and experience of all participants to carry out a project according to the proposed objectives and deliverables; • Financial soundness of all project participants: self-financing and/or co-financing capacity. <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Award criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding: the applicants have fully understood the objectives, the strategic and legislative context of the call and have established accordingly the project, maximising the testing of procedures and the use of the different resources of the Mechanism; • Methodology: the proposed project tasks, the project management methodology in general and the exercise planning conduct and evaluation methodology are suited for the achievement of the project aims, objectives and expected results. They also take into account standards and procedures of the other Participating States, as well as international standards and conventions (UN), where appropriate. • Cost effectiveness: the proposed budget is sufficient for a proper project implementation and the project is conceived in such a way to ensure the best value for money, taking also into account the expected results and deliverables. • European dimension: the proposed project has a proper European dimension i.e. broad participation of Member States and Participating States to the Community Civil Protection Mechanism, importance, applicability and relevance of the scenario and the expected results for the Member States and the EU as a whole.
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2.4 EXERCISES ON MODULES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT TEAMS

Objectives	To establish common understanding of the cooperation and achieve an interdisciplinary interoperability between modules and/or technical assistance support teams. To establish common standards of cooperation
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	<p>in civil protection assistance interventions.</p> <p>Improvement of civil protection preparedness and response for emergencies through providing a testing environment and learning opportunity for all actors involved in civil protection modules and technical assistance and support teams as well as testing the procedures of the Civil Protection Mechanism.</p>
Expected results	<p>Modules are interoperable, and Participating States and MIC are aware of cooperation arrangements and operational procedures for their use in real emergencies.</p> <p>Accelerated response time in real emergencies.</p>
Type of activity	Plan, conduct and evaluate exercises for registered civil protection modules and technical assistance and support teams
Indicative amount	€2 000 000
Type of procedure	Open call for tender, service contract (2-5 contracts)
Indicative schedule	<p>Publication: April 2010</p> <p>Closure: June 2010</p> <p>Award decision: October 2010</p>

2.5 PREPAREDNESS PROJECTS

Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the effectiveness of emergency response by enhancing the preparedness and awareness of civil protection professionals and volunteers. • Support and complement the efforts of the Participating States for the protection of citizens, environment and property in the event of natural and man-made disasters. • Facilitate reinforced cooperation between the Participating States in the field of preparedness in civil protection and marine pollution.
Expected results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness and skills of civil protection professionals and volunteers are increased. • Solutions to concrete civil protection needs and/or challenges at regional and cross border level are assessed and implemented.
Type of activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects and small scale exercises aimed at concrete complementary improvements and innovation. Concrete outputs may include, e.g., the joint design, development and implementation of innovative civil protection activities, including procedures, techniques, tools, etc. They may also include the transfer or the adaptation of existing features from other geographical or thematic contexts.
Priorities for the	Cross border civil protection co-operation regarding direct response to

year	<p>natural and man made disasters, which may affect critical cross-border infrastructures between two participating countries or which require specific technical skills or know-how.</p> <p>Actions aiming at enhancing operational cooperation in the framework of the European Civil Protection Mechanism enabling Participating States to develop, exercise and register, multinational modules.</p> <p>Actions aiming to increase the participating states preparedness to chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear acts of terrorism or industrial accidents.</p>
Indicative amount	€1 350 000
Type of procedure	<p>Calls for proposals.</p> <p>Maximum co-funding rate of 75% of eligible costs, with a maximum of €400 000 of EC contribution for each proposal financed.</p>
Indicative schedule	<p>Publication of the call: January 2010</p> <p>Closure: March 2010</p> <p>Award decision: July 2010</p>
Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria	<p><i>Eligibility criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects are designed and implemented by trans-national partnerships involving entities from at least 2 Participating States; in the event of international organisations, a branch office is considered as a single entity; • Projects demonstrate that they are complementary to the efforts already made in the Participating States. <p><i>Selection criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proved evidence of adequate operational capacity and professional qualifications and experience of all participants to carry out a project according to the proposed objectives and deliverables; • Financial soundness of all project participants: self-financing and/or co-financing capacity. <p><i>Award criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding: clarity and consistency of rationale, objectives and planning. The applicants have fully understood the objectives, the strategic and legislative context of the call and have established accordingly the project; there are logical links between identified problems, needs, and solutions proposed through the project (Logical Frame concept). The project is complementary to actions taken by Participating States and demonstrates to be sustainable in a later stage without the financial support of EC. • Methodology: description of the ways and means for translating the project into practice and producing the expected results (theoretical background, operating procedures, schedules, constraints,

	<p>assumptions, risks). Feasibility of the project within the proposed time frame.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost effectiveness: the proposed budget is sufficient for a proper project implementation and the project is conceived in such a way to ensure the best value for money, taking also into account the expected results and deliverables.• European dimension: the expected results are the result of transnational work of partners, serve the interest of a large number of Participating States and have the potential to be efficiently reproduced and/or transferred to all/other EU countries or organisations.
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2.6 WORKSHOPS WITH THE EU PRESIDENCY

Objectives	<p>Workshops to exchange knowledge and experience on specific strategic civil protection issues and to discuss further civil protection actions.</p> <p>1 workshop organised in cooperation with the Spanish Presidency of the Council of the European Union</p> <p>1 workshop organised in cooperation with the Belgian Presidency of the Council of the European Union</p>
Expected results	Increased awareness and better understanding of strategic challenges in civil protection. Improved consensus among the main stakeholders.
Type of activity	2 workshops
Indicative amount	€150 000 (as an indication €75 000 for each workshop).
Type of procedure	Grants without a call for proposals to bodies with a duly substantiated de facto or de jure monopoly (Art. 110 FR/Art. 168(1) (c) IR). Max co-funding rate of 75% of eligible costs.
Indicative schedule	1 st and 2 nd semester 2010

2.7 LESSONS LEARNT PROGRAMME, TECHNICAL WORKSHOPS, TRAINING, EXERCISE AND OBSERVATION MISSIONS

Objectives	<p>Improve professional skills on management, assessment techniques and skills, coordination and interaction with partners and population, of a limited number (50 estimated in 2010) of highly qualified experts selected by MIC among those proposed by Participating States.</p> <p>Bring together existing initiatives in the area of disaster management training and provide added value through the pooling of expertise from the Member States, the Commission and key stakeholders.</p> <p>Better preparedness of future missions on the basis of lessons learnt from the past emergencies.</p>
Expected results	Improve the Community preparedness concerning the capability to rapidly dispatch and deploy European civil protection assistance intervention teams and European expert teams to European and third countries, independently of the nature of emergency.
Type of activity	<p>Participation in trainings organised by other actors, technical workshops, debriefings (lessons learnt), exercises and observation missions.</p> <p>Lessons learnt and technical workshops on different topics including for</p>

	<p>example: activation of the Mechanism, exercises, interventions, marine emergencies, training, CECIS. Improving the concept for the evaluation of interventions and exercises; incorporation of findings into training courses and exercises; establishment of a “lessons learnt” library. Workshops about modules to improve and further develop the modular approach. 1 workshop on the interface between operations at sea and on land. 2 Workshops on floods response management. Additional practical training activities for coordination and assessment experts, trainers and managers who followed the training courses under action 2.1.</p>
Indicative amount	€610 000
Type of procedure	<p>Use of existing framework contract for travel and accommodation costs of experts; reimbursement of such costs whenever the use of the framework contract is not possible.</p> <p>In addition to this, reimbursement of per diems for experts dispatched on the MIC mission and for experts invited by the Commission to present their missions during the relevant lessons learnt or technical workshops activities.</p>
Indicative schedule	<p>For lessons learnt and technical workshops, schedule follows the activation of the Mechanism on a case by case basis, depending on the emergencies. For training and exercise observation missions the schedule follows the organisation of major exercises or other training opportunities.</p> <p>1 Lessons Learnt meeting per quarter, depending on the emergencies. 1 meeting per month about specific topics (e.g. modules).</p>

3. PREVENTION

3.1 PREVENTION PROJECTS

Objectives	Support and complement the efforts of Participating States on prevention, focusing on areas where a common European approach is more effective than separate national approaches.
Expected results	<p>Projects contributing to a better information on past disasters, in particular as concerns the physical and economic impact; projects developing common methods for the sharing of information related to disasters and shared practises and methodological approaches for risk assessment (including hazard and risk mapping) .</p> <p>Projects designing procedures and/or minimal standards which allow actors involved in disaster prevention to work in cooperation with those active in the response and recovery;</p> <p>Projects dealing with all or part of the following aspects of prevention:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - awareness-raising of the general public, including children, such as for instance the identification of best practices and the preparation of a school curricula. - best practices in the field of prevention; - planning and governance in the field of prevention (decision process, management of prevention policies at local, regional and national level, involvement of stakeholders) <p>Projects assessing in a concrete way the implementation of Community and/or National legislative instruments supporting Participating States action in the field of prevention; a building on experience/lessons to be learnt from specific legislation and the costs and benefits analysis of specific prevention measures or institutional framework.</p>
Type of activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects and studies with concrete outputs. • Pilot projects aimed at improving techniques and procedures. <p>Activities should clearly be targeted to Participating States.</p>
Indicative amount	€1 700 000
Type of procedure	<p>Calls for proposals, possibly for the conclusion of framework partnership agreements.</p> <p>Maximum co-funding rate of 75% of eligible costs, with a maximum of €500 000 of EC contribution for each proposal financed.</p>
Indicative schedule	<p>Publication of the call: January 2010</p> <p>Closure: March 2010</p> <p>Award decision: July 2010</p>

<p>Priorities for the year</p>	<p>In particular projects should contribute to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the development of knowledge based disaster prevention policies; • Linking the relevant actors and policies throughout the disaster management cycle (prevention-preparedness-response-recovery) • Improving the effectiveness of existing policy instruments with regard to disaster prevention, notably as regarding the governance of prevention. • Projects could be complementary to relevant activities undertaken at European level using Community funds for prevention activities (these include the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development, the European Regional Development Fund, the Cohesion Fund, Life +, CIPS programme, the ICT Policy Support Programme and the Seventh Research Framework Programme).
<p>Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria</p>	<p><i>Eligibility criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects are designed and implemented by trans-national partnerships involving entities from at least 3 Participating States; in the event of international organisations, a branch office is considered as a single entity; • Projects demonstrate that they are complementary to the efforts already made in the Participating States. <p><i>Selection criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proved evidence of adequate operational capacity and professional qualifications and experience of all participants to carry out a project according to the proposed objectives and deliverables; • Financial soundness of all project participants: self-financing and/or co-financing capacity. <p><i>Award criteria</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding: clarity and consistency of rationale, objectives and planning. The applicants have fully understood the objectives, the strategic and legislative context of the call and have established accordingly the project; there are logical links between identified problems, needs, and solutions proposed through the project (Logical Frame concept). The project is complementary to actions taken by Participating States and demonstrates to be sustainable in a later stage without the financial support of EC. • Methodology: description of the ways and means for translating the project into practice and producing the expected results (theoretical background, operating procedures, schedules, constraints, assumptions, risks). Feasibility of the project within the proposed time frame. • Cost effectiveness: the proposed budget is sufficient for a proper project implementation and the project is conceived in such a way to ensure the best value for money, taking also into account the

	<p>expected results and deliverables.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European dimension: the expected results are the result of transnational work of partners from a large and geographically spread number of different EU countries, serve the interest of the majority of the Participating States and have the potential to be efficiently reproduced and/or transferred to all/other EU countries or organisations.
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3.2 DISASTER PREVENTION

Objectives	Exchange the best practices and share a common understanding of prevention. Provide added value through the pooling of expertise from the Member States, the Commission and relevant stakeholders.
Expected results	Identification of good practices for disaster prevention. Expert advice to the Commission on upcoming initiatives implementing the Communication on a Community approach on the prevention of natural and man- made disasters.
Type of activity	Three meetings of a working group on disaster prevention gathering experts from the Member States and relevant stakeholders. Two to four small ad hoc thematic meetings.
Indicative amount	€100 000
Type of procedure	Use of existing framework contract for travel and accommodation costs of experts; reimbursement of such costs whenever the use of the framework contract is not possible.
Indicative schedule	1 meeting each 4 months, ad hoc meetings as needed.

3.3 OTHER PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

Objectives	Assessment of the need for further Community initiatives in the field of prevention. Implementation of the Community approach to the prevention of natural and man-made disasters
Expected results	Data confirming the feasibility, added value, and possible implementation of further Community initiative in the field of prevention. Identification and spreading of best practices. Development of guidance regarding risk assessment and mapping. Improvement of knowledge base on disasters and their impact, including risks faced.
Type of activity	Analyses, inventories and studies

	Impact assessment study on a strategy/initiative on disaster prevention.
Indicative amount	€500 000
Type of procedure	Call for tender for services or use of framework contracts.
Indicative schedule	Publication: April 2010 Closure: July 2010 Award decision: September 2010

4.

SUPPLEMENTARY AND AWARENESS-RAISING ACTIVITIES

4.1. AWARENESS-RAISING ACTIVITIES

Objectives	<p>Promote awareness-raising, information and communication on the Community Civil Protection Mechanism. Better reach individuals throughout Europe that will not be able to go for training, visit the MIC, etc.</p> <p>Perform exploratory work in specific areas (including the single European emergency number) and support the development of policy initiatives.</p> <p>Facilitate and support the implementation of the Community Civil Protection Mechanism and maximise the effectiveness of assistance missions performed in this framework.</p>
Expected results	<p>Increased awareness on hazards, risks and civil protection issues.</p> <p>Increased visibility and understanding of the Civil Protection Mechanism and of EU action in civil protection. Improved knowledge and understanding of technical and policy related issues with regard to civil protection.</p> <p>Increased and more effective use of the Civil Protection Mechanism.</p>
Type of activity and subject of contract	<p>General information and communication actions, publications, publication of deliverables of previous projects financed by the Civil Protection Financial Instrument, promotion and dissemination events.</p> <p>Studies, Euro Barometer and other surveys, analyses, statistics, evaluations and impact assessments.</p>
Indicative amount	€600 000
Type of procedure	Call for tender for services, use of framework contracts. Indicative number of contracts: 2-6
Indicative schedule	<p>Publication: April 2010</p> <p>Closure: July 2010</p> <p>Award decision: September 2010</p>

4.2 EARLY WARNING

Objectives	<p>Enhance the monitoring and analytical capacity of the MIC and its partners, in particular by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring rapid access to existing and new Early Warning Systems (EWS) through multi-hazard based applications, integrating and interlinking existing and newly available EWS, especially on floods and forest fires; • Providing conceptual input to development of new EWS from an end user point of view; • Facilitating exchange of best practices and dissemination of knowledge on EWS; • Promoting interconnection, interoperability and cooperation with other Commission early warning and analysis capacities.
Expected results	<p>Improved understanding and mapping of hazards; precise monitoring and forecasting of emergency events.</p> <p>Quicker processing and dissemination of warnings to national contact points, political authorities and decision makers in the framework of the Community Mechanism for Civil Protection; Community Mechanism participants will be able to undertake appropriate and timely actions in response to the warnings.</p> <p>Extensive EWS coverage on different hazards.</p>
Type of activity	<p>Services contract of informatics for the development of the following IT applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GDACS (Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System): adaptation to European situation; • MIC Daily, MIC Flash: upgrade and integrate all tools available (e.g. EWS, floods alert, etc.) with MIC communication instruments; • MIC system: integrate the EWS available into the MIC system (e.g. "LiveMon" real-time disaster monitor portal). <p>Specific attention will be given to the better integration of flood alert systems such as EFAS into the work flows of the Mechanism. This will require an increase of funding levels for EWS for a certain period.</p> <p>Expert meetings, conferences, feasibility studies, policy documents etc. to promote EWS and to support innovative approaches (e.g. cell broadcast project).</p>
Indicative amount	<p>€1 130 000</p>
Type of	<p>Administrative arrangement with the JRC on the basis of article 161 of</p>

procedure	the Financial Regulation
Indicative schedule	1 st half 2010

4.3 MAINTENANCE AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF CECIS AND THE MIC

Objectives	Maintain and further develop a secure communication and information system for the MIC (CECIS).
Expected results	MIC has at its disposal the specific and secured communication environment (CECIS) which enables effective cooperation and sharing of information between the MIC and the operational contact points of the Member States and other participants in the context of the Civil Protection Mechanism.
Type of activity	<p>Service contracts, to support the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • further extend and implement the "MIC in a box" concept (secure mobile communication equipment linking HQ and field experts); • create an Internet version of CECIS; <p>CECIS evolutive maintenance, training on the application, including command post exercises, helpdesk and documentation update.</p>
Indicative amount	€300 000
Type of Procedure	Call for tender, renewal of contract or use of framework contracts. Indicative number of contracts: 2.
Indicative schedule	<p>Publication of the calls: May 2010</p> <p>Closure: August 2010</p> <p>Award decision: October 2010</p>

5. SUPPORT EXPENDITURE

B. BUDGET LINE 07 01 04 02 (CIVIL PROTECTION FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT - ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT)

5.1 EVALUATION AND AUDIT

Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of the Article 15.2 (b) of the Civil Protection Financial Instrument "Evaluation" (Council Decision 2007/162/EC Euratom). • Implementation of the Article 14 of the Civil Protection Mechanism "recast" (Council Decision 2007/779/EC Euratom). • Check the regularity of procedures implemented on programmes/projects financed by the Civil Protection Financial Instrument.
Expected results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim evaluation report on the results obtained and the qualitative and quantitative aspect of the implementation of Decision 2007/162/EC. • Evaluation of the application of Decision 2007/779/EC and delivery of the conclusions to the European Parliament and the Council. • External audits on civil protection grant agreements and contracts.
Type of activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation studies. Audit missions and reports.
Indicative amount	€250 000
Type of procedure	Calls for tender, use of Framework contracts. Indicative number of contracts: 2-3 contracts.
Indicative schedule	Publication of the call: January 2010 Closure: March 2010 Award decision: May 2010

5.2 CECIS HOSTING, MIC SECURITY AND RESILIENCE

Objectives	Ensure the MIC's security and resilience against external and internal hazards and increase safety and security of Liaison Officers sent on MIC missions
Expected results	MIC and CECIS in particular, work permanently, in secure conditions and at their fully capacity, during emergencies as well as during usual

	duty. Fully equipped and protected Liaison Officers to be dispatched on MIC missions.
Type of activity	Service contract for software development and assistance Procurement of necessary protective and other equipment
Indicative amount	€200 000
Type of procedure	2 service level agreements with DIGIT (CECIS hosting and CECIS Internet version) Call for tender or existing framework contract for equipment
Indicative schedule	Launch of procedures: mid-2010