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European workshop "Responding to Terrorist Attacks: Cooperation between First Responders at the Disaster Scene" 9 -10 October 2017

Room Robert Schuman, Berlaymont Building, European Commission

Rue de la Loi 200, Brussels

AGENDA

Monday, 9th October

13:30 – 14.00 Arrival of participants and registration

14.00 – 14.20 Welcome and Opening address

Luigi Soreca, Director for Security, DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission

Erkki Koort, Deputy Secretary General for Internal Security Policy, Estonia

14.20 – 14.30 Introduction to the workshop

14.30 – 16.30 Discussion Session I: Integrated management of the disaster scene: common procedures and management practices

Discussions will highlight challenges across sectors with regard to procedures, rules and working methods and tools for on-site operations. The session will identify good practices, lessons from recent attacks and areas in which further guidance on common procedures and integrated planning may be needed.

Chair: Hans Das, Head of Unit Terrorism and Radicalisation, DG HOME, European Commission

Key notes and Q&A:

Sweden: Jan Wisén, Assisting Director Emergency Management Development Department, Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency et al.

Spain: Carmen Magro Nicolas, Chief Inspector, National Police

UK: Neil Gaskell, Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service

France: Olga Maurin, Emergency Medical Department, Fire Brigade of Paris

ATLAS network (Special Intervention Units): Dr. Attila Faggyas, Responsible Medic Education Program

Open discussion and wrap up

- 16.30 – 16.45 Break
- 16.45 – 17.45 Discussion Session II: Strengthening crisis communication channels and coordination of information**
- Coordination among first responders across services may bring a number of challenges in the immediate response to terrorist attack with mass casualties involved. This session will seek to identify best practices and key learnings from recent incidents on coordination of information between different services and will discuss relevant solutions for communication channels in the first response to a crisis.*
- Chair: Hans Das, Head of Unit Terrorism and Radicalisation, DG HOME, European Commission*
- Key notes and Q&A*
- UK: Brian Welsh**, *Joint Emergency Services Interoperability Principles (JESIP) Fire Senior User, Home Office*
- Patrick Padding**, *The European Network of Law Enforcement Technology Service (ENLETS)*
- Marie Christine Bonnamour**, *EPISECC project (Establish Pan-European Information Space to Enhance seCurity of Citizens)*
- Open discussion and wrap up*
- 17.45 – 18.00 Wrap up of Day I
- 18.00 – 19.30 Reception cocktail

Tuesday, 10th October

9.00 – 9.30 Registration and welcome coffee

9.30 – 9.45 Introduction to day II

9.45 – 11.00 Discussion Session III: Integrated planning for the consequences of attacks

Participants will exchange best practices in the development of integrated national plans for mass casualty incident with a focus on scenarios of terrorist attacks.

Chair: Wolfgang Philipp, Head of Unit Crisis management and preparedness in health, Directorate for Health, European Commission

Key notes and Q&A

Norway: Per Kristen Brekke, Deputy Director General, Directorate for Civil Protection (DSB)

UK: Keith Prior, Director, National Ambulance Resilience Unit

Belgium: Marcel Van der Auwera, Head of unit Urgent Medical and Psychosocial Treatment, Ministry of Health

Open discussion and wrap up

11.00 – 11.15 Break

11.15 – 12.30 Discussion Session IV: Enhancing preparedness of first responders through cross-sectorial training and exercises

The session will discuss existing opportunities and best practices in Europe for training and exercise of first responders across services. The discussion will focus on potential supporting actions on EU level, including development of exercise methodologies and scenarios, possible modalities for pooling expertise across sectors and borders etc.

Chair: Julia Stewart-David, Head of Unit Civil Protection Policy, DG ECHO, European Commission

Key notes and Q&A:

ATLAS network (Special Intervention Units): Ivo Vereycken, Head of operations, Special Units (DSU), Federal Police, Belgium

Germany: Dr. Martin Weber, Course Director, Academy for Crisis Management, Emergency Planning and Civil Protection, Federal Office of Civil Protection and Disaster Assistance (BBK)

Hungary: Balázs Horváth, Deputy Head, National Police Bomb Disposal Unit Office of Central Coordination

Open discussion and wrap up

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch break

* Interpretation will be provided in English, French, German, Italian and Spanish

14.00 – 15.30 **Interactive discussion: EU added value for a stronger cross-border cooperation**

The objective of this session is to discuss further cooperation in this area.

Moderators:

***Julia Stewart-David**, Head of Unit Civil Protection Policy, European Commission*

***Hans Das**, Head of Unit Terrorism and Radicalisation, European Commission*

***Wolfgang Philipp**, Head of Unit Crisis management and preparedness in health, European Commission*

15.30 – 15.50 Wrap up of the workshop and conclusions

15.50 – 16.00 Closing remarks