

#### Press release

19.10.2023, Siret, Suceava

# Press conference organized with the occasion of the joint exercises within the project

Improvement of the population safety and security level in the cross-border area by enhancing the joint training and cooperation action in emergency management "- BRIDGE

Today, October 19, 2023, took place the press conference organized with the occasion of the joint exercises within the project *Improvement of the population safety and security level in the cross-border area by enhancing the joint training and cooperation action in emergency management*" — *BRIDGE*, financed by Joint Operational Programme Romania—Ukraine 2014-2020, Programme Priority 4.2. — Support to joint activities for the prevention of natural and man-made disasters as well as joint action during emergency situations, Thematic Objective 8 — Common challenges in the field of safety and security, project in which the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations holds the quality of Lead Beneficiary.

**General objective** of the project is to increase the safety and security level for the population by improving the professional training level and by maintaining the intervention capacity for the professional emergency services and for the structures responsible for performing interventions in the mountainous environment.





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#### **Project Specific Objectives:**

- 1. Improving the intervention efficiency of the emergency services in the cross-border area by developing the common training infrastructures and by modernizing the dispatch centre from the Ukraine.
- 2. Development of a common cross-border operational framework for emergency situations (including interventions in mountainous areas), by conducting common training sessions and cooperation exercises and by drafting a joint cooperation plan.
- 3. Increasing the common operational capacity of all partners by procuring special vehicles, technical means and equipment.

**Implementation Period** of the project is 27.06.2019 – 14.12.2023 and benefits from a total budget of 7,416,592.50 euros, of which non-reimbursable financing from the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI): 6,675,000.01 euros.

The project is financed from the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) through the Joint Operational Programme Romania-Ukraine 2014-2020.

## **Project results:**

- > a training area in Siret;
- > a landing platform at Siret;





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- > a modernized command center in the Chernivtsi region;
- > special intervention vehicles for the firefighters from the Ivano-Frankivsk region;
- intervention equipment;
- > a common set of procedures for emergency situations in the cross-border area;
- > trained personnel to intervene jointly in emergencies;
- a cooperation plan and two cooperation exercises;
- increasing the capacity for joint intervention.

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