



## Promoting the role of volunteers and the population in Civil Protection (ProVoice)

### Background

In times of more frequent and long-term disasters and crises, the project aims at strengthening the cooperation between neighborhood countries and UCPM countries in the field of volunteer management, spontaneous volunteers and population awareness in disaster preparedness.

### Aims and objectives

- Enhance volunteer management procedures and strengthen the capacities of volunteer leaders and Emergency Response Teams in the three focus countries
- Develop organizational and policy level guidelines for organizing spontaneous and non-affiliated volunteers
- Use existing tools developed in UCPM countries to raise awareness among the population

### Main results and activities

- 10 to 15 volunteer Emergency Response Team leaders in each focus country will be trained in volunteer management (30-45 in total)
- 3-5 Emergency Response Teams in each focus country will be established and/or supported through equipment and training (9-15 in total)
- For each focus country policy level and organizational guidelines for spontaneous volunteering will be developed
- One community-based exercises in each country with at least 60 participants each will be carried out to raise awareness for disaster preparedness among the population (180 over all countries)

### Project consortium

- Belarus Red Cross Society (BY)
- Bulgarian Red Cross (BG)
- Danish Red Cross (DK)
- EcoContact (MD)
- Ukrainian Red Cross Society (UA)
- University of Innsbruck (AT)

**Lead** Austrian Red Cross

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