



Crossborder cooperation within the UN ECE Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents

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Transboundary cooperation within the framework of the Industrial Accidents Convention

- Notification of hazardous activities
- Information to and participation of the public
- Emergency planning
- Industrial accident notification
- Emergency response and mutual assistance





Practical implementation of cross-border cooperation

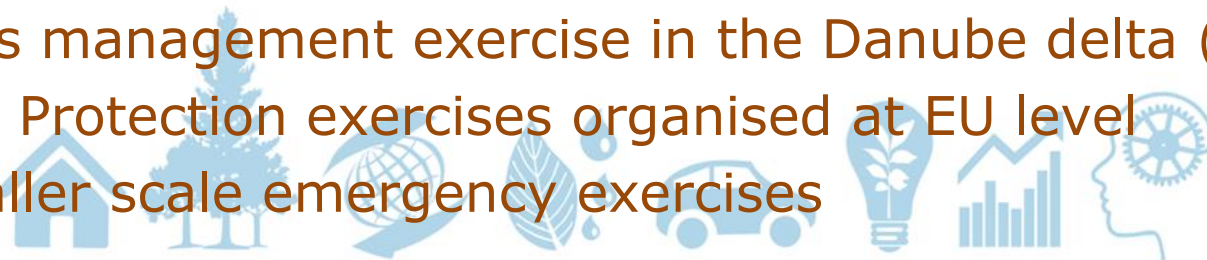
- Bi- and multilateral agreements
- Joint training programmes
- Joint emergency planning
- Joint emergency exercises
- Exchange of expertise
- Exchange and sharing of equipment
- Joint early warning systems
- Joint emergency teams





Examples for practical implementation of cross-border cooperation

- Joint training programmes
 - The European Community Civil Protection Mechanism Training Programme
- Joint emergency planning and response
 - The EU Civil Protection Mechanism
- Joint emergency exercises
 - Russian-Polish "Kotki 2002" emergency response exercise
 - Project for joint management of transboundary emergencies from spills of hazardous substance into the Danube River (Bulgaria, Romania and Serbia, 2009)
 - crisis management exercise in the Danube delta (2014)
 - Civil Protection exercises organised at EU level
 - Smaller scale emergency exercises





Examples for practical implementation of cross-border cooperation

- Exchange of expertise
 - EU exchange of experts system
 - UNECE TEIA projects
- Exchange and sharing of equipment
 - The European Community Civil Protection Mechanism
- Joint early warning systems
 - Danube, Rhine and Elba warning systems





Benefits of cross-border cooperation

- Resource effectiveness
- Builds trust
- Better preparedness and response





Success factors for cross-border cooperation

- International and national legal base
- Political will
- Allocation of resources
- Common criteria
 - Classification of substances
 - Classification of hazards (limit values)
 - Organisation of emergency preparedness and response
- Clear division of tasks





Thank you for your attention!

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