



Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre



ICM Skopje Actively Participates in the “Lessons Identified” Conference for Exercise “BULGARIA 2025”

The Institute for Crisis Management (ICM) – Skopje took an active part in the final “Lessons Identified” conference dedicated to the international field exercise “BULGARIA 2025”. This event represents a crucial link in the crisis management cycle, where the analysis of real capacities defines the directions for future improvements in regional security.

Key Contributions of ICM Skopje:

- **Expert Analysis:** Our representatives shared professional insights regarding the coordination between civil and military structures during complex rescue operations.
- **Exchange of Best Practices:** Highlighting the importance of rapid response and interoperability between teams from neighboring countries.
- **Identification of Challenges:** Through a detailed review of the exercise scenarios, ICM helped pinpoint “bottlenecks” within communication protocols.

“Participation in such conferences is of essential importance for ICM Skopje. Our goal is not only to identify what went well but to critically examine the gaps in order to build a more resilient crisis management system across the entire region.”

Why is “BULGARIA 2025” Important?

The exercise demonstrated that in the face of natural disasters and large-scale crises, no country is an island. Collaboration with partners from Bulgaria and other participating nations confirmed ICM Skopje's readiness to act as a bridge between theory and practice in crisis management.

The Institute remains dedicated to implementing the conclusions of this conference into its future educational programs and strategic analyses.

