### Enhancing Civil Protection in Armenia

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| **Consortium**        | Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) – Lead  
                         The Fire and Rescue Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (FRD) |
| **Partner**           | Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia/Rescue Services |
| **Target group**      | Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia/Rescue Services (primary) |
| **Overall objective** | The overall objective of the project is to make Armenia disaster resilient and ensure significant reduction of various disaster risks to human lives, country’s economy and communities. |
| **Specific objective**| The specific objective is to strengthen disaster risk management capacities through enhancing and building a comprehensive civil protection system. |

#### Technical components (outcomes)

**Component 1: Enhanced civil protection legal and policy framework**

- **Sub-result 1.1:** Harmonized legal framework aligned with the new Constitution and EU best practices and revised policies
- **Sub-result 1.2:** Enhanced communication with the National Assembly and civil protection stakeholders
- **Sub-result 1.3:** Revised National Disaster Risk Management strategy based on updated comprehensive civil protection system, including a refined implementation, coordination and monitoring framework submitted for approval.

**Component 2: Improved effectiveness and efficiency of the comprehensive civil protection system**

- **Sub-results 2.1:** Enhanced distribution and delegation of responsibilities in the disaster risk reduction and emergency management sphere at national, regional and community level
- **Sub-results 2.2:** Improved methodological basis, in particular the local level risk management (LLRM)
- **Sub-results 2.3:** Improved Volunteerism in Civil Protection
- **Sub-results 2.4:** Improved planning, coordination and implementation of public awareness in Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)

**Component 3 Improved capacity to ensure effective human resource management and development**

- **Sub-result 3.1:** Improved human resource management (HRM) of Rescue Service
Sub-result 3.2: Improved training system for Rescue Service

Cross-cutting issues (CCI)  
Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)

Cross-cutting issues are integrated in the project  
- human rights, gender and diversity  
- environment  
- monitoring and evaluation (M&E)

Strategic Approach

- Flexible approach  
- Active partnership and ownership  
- Continuity – building on existing structures  
- Comprehensive approach to capacity development

Type of activities

- Seminars  
- Workshops  
- Study visits  
- Internship

Organisational structure  

Key Expert Team

Resident Twinning Adviser (RTA)  
The expert team is led by a Resident Twinning Advisor stationed in Jerevan. Together with the MSB Project Leader in Sweden, s/he is responsible for overall activity planning, reporting, partnership building and daily supervision of both other key experts and short-term experts.

Component Leaders

- Key Expert on Civil Protection Planning and Coordination  
- Key Expert on Rescue Services  
- Key expert on HR management

Short-term Experts

Short-term experts will be deployed with the MSB or FRD roster to support the Key Expert Team.

Experts on cross-cutting issues

All of the abovementioned experts are supported by dedicated experts on cross-cutting issues. These include gender and diversity, human rights (from a DRM perspective), environment, good governance and anti-corruption as well as monitoring and evaluation (M&E).

Steering Committee

The Project Steering Committee (SC) is the decision-making body of the project. The Contracting Authority, the Member State PL, the junior Member State PLs, the Beneficiary PL, as well as the RTA and the RTA counterpart are SC members.

Project management and backstopping

As lead, MSB has overall project management, backstopping, financial and communication responsibilities, ensuring that contractual commitments are met. FRD is a member of the SC, and supports monitoring and result based management, provides short-term experts within its field of expertise.