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Report on the POSOW Barcelona National Pilot Training



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Introduction

The General Directorate of Civil Protection of Catalonia, in collaboration with the NGO Submon, organised a National Training Course on Oiled Shoreline Assessment and Cleanup, Volunteers Management and Wildlife Response between the 27 and 28 November 2013 in their premises in Barcelona, Catalonia.

The training targeted local Civil Protection managers who could be involved in oil spill shoreline response operations. The Civil protection technicians from the local councils of the region of Catalonia are also in charge of training and supervising local volunteers during an incident. The objective of the training was to raise awareness and disseminate knowledge on oiled shoreline assessment and cleanup as well as oiled wildlife response.

This training was organised in the framework of the POSOW project co-financed by EU under the Civil Protection Financial Instrument developed in cooperation with ISPRA, Cedre, Sea Alarm and CPMR and coordinated by the Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Centre for the Mediterranean Sea - REMPEC a regional Centre of the Barcelona Convention.

Twenty-eight (28) managers participated in the Training Course, together with five representatives from national and regional departments of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment of Spain. The list of participants is attached to the present report in **Annex I**.

Mrs Núria Gasulla Fernández, Deputy Director General for Civil Protection Programs at the Civil Protection Department, welcomed the participants and thanked them for their participation. She reminded the importance of disseminating the acquired knowledge at a local level. Ms Souade Nasser, Junior Programme Officer at REMPEC introduced the POSOW project. Participants requested more information on the volunteers and trainers database.

Ms Ester Gonzalez Hernando, Civil Protection Technician and POSOW trainer, welcomed the participants who introduced themselves before initiating the training.

The programme of the 3 day training course is reported in **Annex II**. The languages of the course were Catalan and Spanish.

Course Delivery

Day 1

Catalan Response System

Ms Gonzalez Hernando delivered presentations on the Catalan Contingency Plan "Camcat", explaining the main response system and chain of command in place in case of an incident at sea and on shore. She highlighted the sensitiveness and the areas at risk of the Catalan coast, taking into account natural features and port activities.

Volunteers Management

Ms Gonzalez Hernando delivered presentations on Volunteer Management and the roles assigned to the volunteers in those plans. She provided an overview of the main elements to take into account to ensure a safe and organised management of volunteers under the established chain of command.

Day 2

Pedagogic Session

The second day of the training started with a pedagogic session performed by Imma Solé Colomer, Information Manager at the Civil Protection General Directorate. She recalled the main aspects to consider when delivering a presentation. She stressed on the importance of creating an interaction with the targeted audience, through clear presentations and speeches.

Oiled Shoreline Assessment & Cleanup

Ms Gonzalez Hernando then introduced the general principles of shoreline assessment and cleanup, the worksite organisation and the relevant techniques according to the type of substrates. She underlined the importance of assessing the pollution type and extent prior acting.

Discussions on the availability of equipment in the region and roles and responsibilities for cleanup between volunteers and trainers took place. She recalled that the national agency TRAGSA be the main contact point to request shoreline equipment in case of an emergency.

Oiled Wildlife Response

Ms Mariluz Parga, from the NGO Submon, delivered presentations on the wildlife response and handling, from the collection to the stabilisation of the animals. Facilitator and participants discussed the type of animal that can be encountered on the Catalan coasta. Ms Parga illustrated her presentation with information on local fauna. She stressed on the psychological impact on volunteers when facing oiled wildlife.

Presentation of an Emergency Exercise

Mr Ricard Garcia Baron from Torredembarra, presented the simulation exercise organised in collaboration with the Red Cross and the national and local authorities in charge of the oil spill response at sea and onshore. Mr Garcia provided an overview of the worksite set-up on the beach, and the roles and responsibilities of each entity. Participants discussed the difficulties and aspects to take into account to organise such exercise.

Conclusion of the training

Evaluation of the training

Following the exercise, participants were invited to fill-in an evaluation sheet to provide the POSOW partners with their feedback on the National Training Course. The following table summarizes the evaluation given by 22 participants of the training. The rating is based on a scale from 1 to 4, 1 being bad and 4 excellent.

| Title of the conference/presentation/exercise | Mark (1 to 4) | Observations |
|--|----------------------|--|
| Objective | 3.03 | Practical exercise would have been very appreciated. Participation of managers already involved in large incidents such as the prestige would have been interesting. |
| Methodology | 2.92 | Material should be translated in Catalan, manuals at least in Spanish to ensure understanding. |
| Organisation | 3.06 | For many participants, the duration of the course was too short. |
| Self-evaluation | +0.79 | The training improved the level of knowledge of the participants from 2.11 to 2.89 |
| Facilitators | 3.21 | More interaction and dynamism was requested by the participants in some presentations. Deep knowledge of the topics by the facilitators is needed to ensure clear explanations. |

The above feedbacks show that the participants appreciated and valued the training content, material and the facilitators. According to the participants, improvements should be made on the following points:

- The exercise should be longer;
- The manuals should be translated in Spanish, it is too complicated to follow the manuals in English;
- A practical exercise should be organised to illustrate the topics discussed during the course;
- Visit of the emergency centre would have been interesting.

General discussion took place between volunteers and facilitators:

- More information and practical aspects of the CAMCAT
- The language barrier was clearly stressed out by the volunteers: manuals and information related to the topics of the POSOW project can be found in Spanish from the following organisations and projects:
 - Cedre: <http://www.cedre.fr/index-es.php>
 - Arcopol and Arcopol + Projects: <http://www.arcopol.eu/home.aspx?id=es>

- REMPEC guidelines, such as the Mediterranean Oiled Shoreline Assessment Guidelines available in Spanish

http://www.rempec.org/rempec.asp?theIDS=2_224&theName=RIS&theID=15&daChk=2&pgType=1

Certificate Delivery and conclusion of the training

At the end of the training, Ms Gonzalez Hernando from the Civil Protection General Directorate, took the floor to thank the participants and the POSOW team for the valuable training. Certificates of the training were delivered to the volunteers together with the POSOW USB key containing all the material produced within the Project.

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ANNEX II : PROGRAMME

| Horari | | Dia 1 | 27/11/2013 | Dia 2 | 28/11/2013 |
|--------|-------|---------------------------------|------------|--|------------|
| 09:00 | 09:30 | | | Sessió pedagògica | |
| 09:30 | 10:00 | | | Avaluació de la línia litoral contaminada | |
| 10:00 | 10:30 | | | Principis generals de neteja | |
| 10:30 | 11:00 | | | Descans (Coffee Break) | |
| 11:00 | 11:30 | | | Tècniques de neteja | |
| 11:30 | 12:00 | | | Organització del lloc de treball | |
| 12:00 | 12:30 | | | Dinar | |
| 12:30 | 13:00 | | | | |
| 13:00 | 14:30 | | | | |
| 14:30 | 15:00 | Obertura | | Seguretat i Salut | |
| 15:00 | 15:30 | Presentació de les jornades | | Coordinació | |
| 15:30 | 16:00 | Introducció | | Cerca, recollida i transport de fauna afectada | |
| 16:00 | 16:30 | Gestió dels voluntaris | | | |
| 16:30 | 17:00 | Descans (Coffee Break) | | Descans (Coffee Break) | |
| 17:00 | 17:30 | Estructura d'Organització | | Primers auxilis a la fauna (estabilització i pre-rentat) | |
| 17:30 | 18:00 | Rols i tasques per a voluntaris | | Centre de rehabilitació | |
| 18:00 | 18:30 | | | Cloenda de les jornades | |