

KICK-OFF MEETING

PROJECT “PROTECTING BIODIVERSITY AT NATURA 2000 SITES AND OTHER PROTECTED AREAS FROM NATURAL HAZARDS THROUGH A CERTIFIED FRAMEWORK FOR CROSS-BORDER EDUCATION, TRAINING AND SUPPORT OF CIVIL PROTECTION VOLUNTEERS BASED ON INNOVATION AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES”, ACRONYM eOUTLAND, SUBSIDY CONTRACT № B2.6d.06/02.10.2017

During 18 - 19.12.2017 the kick-off meeting on the project “Protecting biodiversity at NATURA 2000 sites and other protected areas from natural hazards through a certified framework for cross-border education, training and support of civil protection volunteers based on innovation and new technologies”, acronym eOUTLAND, Subsidy contract № B2.6d.06/02.10.2017 was held in History Hotel in Haskovo. The meeting was hosted Project Beneficiary 3 – Regional Municipalities Association “Maritza”. The meeting was attended by 11 participants - representatives of the five partners from Bulgaria and Greece, as follows:

- Triantafyllos Bouchounas, representative of PB1. Network for the operational support and education of the volunteers' associations in the field of Civil Protection against natural disasters (NSEA)
- Stergios Pralakidis, representative of Municipality of Thermi and PB1. Network for the operational support and education of the volunteers' associations in the field of Civil Protection against natural disasters (NSEA)
- Nikos Grammalidis, representative of PB2. Centre for Research and Technology Hellas/ Information Technologies Institute (CERTH/ ITI)
- Rayna Yovcheva, representative of PB3. Regional Municipalities Association “Maritza” (MARITZA)
- Anna Nenova-Peeva, representative of PB3. Regional Municipalities Association “Maritza” (MARITZA)
- Ivaylo Dobrev, representative of PB3. Regional Municipalities Association “Maritza” (MARITZA)
- Nina Dobrinkova, representative of PB4. Institute of Information and Communication Technologies/ Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (IICT/ BAS)
- Todor Velev, representative of PB4. Institute of Information and Communication Technologies/ Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (IICT/ BAS)

- Krasimira Bozova, representative of PB5. Municipality of Zlatograd (ZLATOGRAD)
- Irina Ivanova, representative of PB5. Municipality of Zlatograd (ZLATOGRAD)
- Idak Vuntsov, representative of PB5. Municipality of Zlatograd (ZLATOGRAD)



During the meeting the partners discussed the following issues:

- Designation of the members of the Joint Project Management Team and the Working Committee;
- Presentation and discussion of project partners' tasks under work packages;
- Discussion of technical parameters and specifications in the framework of planned results and project products;
- Discuss the upcoming initiatives on the project;
- Preview of the time table of the activities.