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1. Introduction

Flood protection is essential to preserve human life, protect property and infrastructure, preserve the environment, and maintain economic stability. As part of the STREAM project, activity 5.7. Urgent services pilot, adequate and innovative technical equipment for the civil protection system members in Split and Gospić was purchased and implemented.

2. Technical equipment in Split and Gospić purchased and implemented

2.1. Public Institution RERA SD for coordination and development of Split-Dalmatia County

Project partner Public institution RERA SD for coordination and development of Split-Dalmatia County procured firefighting containers and equipment through an open public procurement procedure. The firefighting container and equipment will be used for intervention in the event of a flood, as well as for other needs in accordance with the goals of the STREAM project. Firefighting equipment and the firefighting container will be used for preventive and remedial actions in case of floods, saving people and animals, material goods and preserving the environment. Contract on the assignment of the use of firefighting equipment was signed between the PI RERA S.D. and The Fire Brigade of Split-Dalmatia County. The Fire Brigade of Split-Dalmatia County is now equipped with Container for firefighting equipment (1 item), Power generators (total of 9 units of different power), Electric submersible water pumps (20 items), Personal water rescue equipment (10 sets), Water vacuum cleaner (2 items), Sacks of mourning (1000 items), Fire hoses 200 items), Pipe bridge (20 pieces), Air dryers (5 items), Vacuum cleaner for collecting water (5 items), Work and rescue ropes (40 pieces), Bag for carrying a rescue rope (40 pieces), Tall water boots (20 items), Raincoats (20 pieces), Electric extension cables (20 items), Hand-held flashlights (20 items), LED pole lights (10 items).





Figure 1. Firefighting container and firefighting equipment

On 30th June, 2023, firefighting container and equipment were presented, and professional exercises and educations were held in the civil protection and flood protection sectors at the Fire Brigade of the Split-Dalmatia County headquarters.





Figure 2. Presentation of the purchased equipment and education in the civil protection and flood protection sectors

2.2. Public institution development agency of Lika-Senj County – LIRA

Project partner Public institution development agency of Lika-Senj County – LIRA purchased innovative technical equipment for the Civil Protection Headquarters of the Municipality of Perušić, Civil Protection Headquarters of the City of Gospić, Croatian Mountain Rescue Service Station in Gospić, Public Fire Brigade Gospić and Gospić City Red Cross Society. The equipment includes a boat for economic purposes (1), Polyethylene rescue boat with motor and trailer (2), boat for economic purposes (1), units for long-term work (5), inverter electricity generator (2), air dehumidifier (2), electric sludge pump (2), raft inflatable rescue boat (1), platform/boat for rescue from flood and ice (2), inflator/deflator (1), compressed air bottle (1), sonar kit (1), lamp (2), floating vests (32), dry suits (5), under-suit (for a dry suit, intended for work out of the water in cold conditions, 10), footwear (high shoes with integrated gates, intended for lifeguards on the water, 10), gloves (for work in water, 10), under cap (10), helmet (10), life jacket for floating (10), belt (10), throwing rope – rescue rope (10), knife (10), whistle (10), a safety elastic rope which has a wide spectrum of purposes in protection and rescue which is used for connecting rescuers (10), transport bags (10), neoprene suit (2).





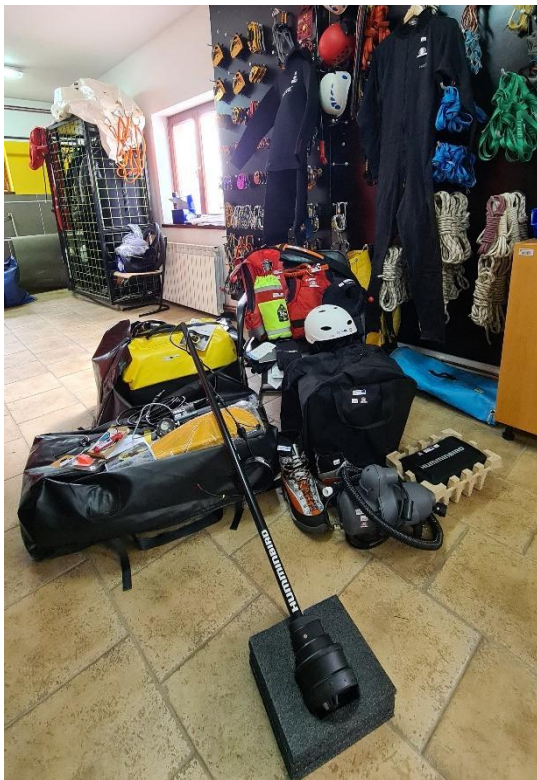




Figure 3. Purchased equipment – Gospić

On 26th and 27th June 2023, professional education in the civil flood protection sector and demonstration exercises were held and equipment acquired through the STREAM project was presented. The goal of the demonstration exercise on the Lika River was the presentation of the preparedness and response of the participants and operational forces of the Civil Protection system, the presentation of equipment and the implementation of civil protection measures and activities.



Figure 4. Professional education and demonstration exercise on the Lika river

3. Conclusion

The equipment was purchased for the purpose of improving risk monitoring and increasing the management capabilities of the headquarters for protection and rescue in order to be able to respond in a timely manner to disasters caused by floods. After the held exercises, members of the

civil staff and emergency services will be able to use the acquired adequate and innovative equipment in a professional manner and will be able to react faster and more efficiently in emergency cases.