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UNDP supports training of intervention divers



Constanta, September 17, 2009- H.E. Jan Sand Sorensen, UN Resident Coordinator/ UNDP Resident Representative, visited the Intervention Divers Training Center (IDTC) in Constanta. Welcomed by representatives of "Dobrogea" Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Constanta County and CDES staff, UNDP Resident Representative was presented the newly created training facility and the specialized equipment for underwater intervention divers and disaster specialized emergency teams. H.E. Jan Sand Sorensen appreciated the efforts undertaken to present for the set up of the center and declared, "The management of the emergency situations is a challenging task and I do hope that through this project we have contributed to the development of the intervention divers training and specialization programme".



The set-up of the training facility in Constanta was initiated by General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations (GIES) and "Capacity Development for Emergency Situations" (CDES) project implemented by UNDP Romania in partnership with Ministry of Administration and Interior (MAI) through GIES, in order to support increased GIES demand for intervention diver training. The IDTC will be a key element in the provision of specialized training to GIES divers and will allow a comprehensive skills set to be confirmed and evaluated on a yearly basis. The set-up of the training facility was ensured through CDES project funds and it is currently estimated at approximately 145,000USD, half of which was used for purchase of specialized equipment. The center will be officially inaugurated in 2009 and will train up to 20 divers per series.

For further information on the project, please visit: http://undp.ro/projects.php?project_id=13

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