

POSSIBILITY TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL GRANTS FROM EU FOR STRENGTHEN OF ECRA

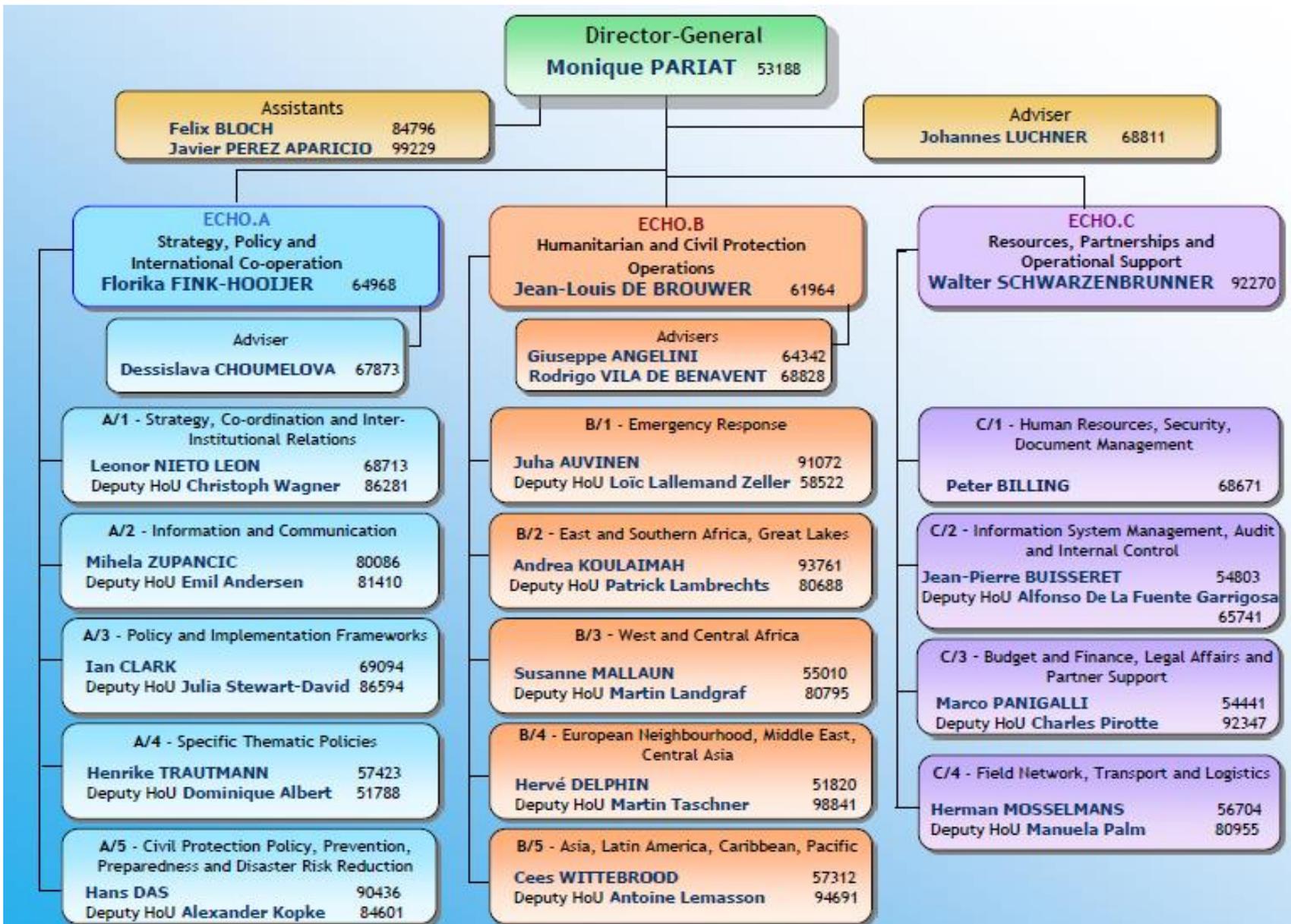
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EU ECHO - EU COMMISSION CIVIL PROTECTION MECHNISM

The image shows a screenshot of a web browser displaying the EU ECHO website. The browser's address bar shows the URL `ec.europa.eu/echo/`. The website header features the European Commission logo and the title "HUMANITARIAN AID AND CIVIL PROTECTION". A navigation menu includes links for "HOME", "WHO WE ARE", "WHAT WE DO", "WHERE WE WORK", "PARTNERSHIPS", "FUNDING & EVALUATIONS", "RESOURCES & CAMPAIGNS", and "NEWS & STORIES". Below the menu, there are four columns of links: "About ECHO" (Organisational chart, Director-General, Field network, Legal framework), "Accountability" (Annual reports, Auditing, Strategy), "Jobs and opportunities" (Brussels headquarters, Field offices, EU Aid Volunteers), and "FAQs" (Contact). A "NEWS" section highlights a recent article titled "New EU knowledge centre for improved disaster risk management" dated 01/10/2015. The article text states: "The European Commission has launched a new knowledge centre to support EU Member States in responding to emergencies, and preventing and reducing the". To the right, there are sections for "FOLLOW US" with social media icons, "SUBSCRIBE" with a mail icon, and "COMMISSIONER STYLIANIDES" with a portrait of the commissioner. At the bottom right, there are links for "Press Releases" and "Twitter".

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EU ECHO ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE



EU ECHO - OPERATIONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE



Emergency response coordination centre ERCC The operational hub of the Mechanism which monitors emergencies around the globe 24/7, and coordinates the response of the participating countries in case of a crisis. Thanks to its pre-positioned and self-sufficient civil protection modules, the ERCC teams are ready to intervene at short notice both within and outside the EU. They undertake specialized tasks such as search and rescue, aerial forest fire fighting, advanced medical posts and more.

European Emergency Response Capacity (EERC)

The EERC consists of several teams of experts from different countries who are ready to provide assistance in the event of a crisis.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE CAPACITY – TECHNICAL MODULES

Technical Assistance Support Teams (TAST) and Modules are pre-defined, specific and interoperable assistance capabilities that can be deployed at short notice (max. twelve hours of a request for assistance). TAST is a type of module that provides technical support to an On- Site Operations Coordination Centre (OSOCC).

Today is specified 32 different module types, we have to find one what fits our interests. Each ECHO partner country register certain number of modules).

I.e in Y2013. France has registered 32% of all modules in CECIS data base).

1. High Capacity Pumping
2. Flood Containment Module
3. Flood Rescue Module using boats
4. Water Purification
5. Medium USAR
6. Heavy USAR
7. Aerial Forest Fire-Fighting using helicopters
8. Aerial Forest Fire-Fighting using airplanes
9. Ground Forest Fire Fighting
10. Ground Forest Fire Fighting using vehicles
11. Advanced medical post
12. Advanced medical post with surgery
13. Medical aerial evacuation of disaster victims
14. Emergency temporary shelter
15. CBRN detection and sampling
16. SAR in CBRN conditions
17. Field hospital and
Technical assistance support team (TAST)

EU ECHO – ANNUAL CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

Development projects, Best practice transfer, Workshops and exercises, Cross border cooperation etc.

Up to two years duration, total budget per project 500.000 - 800.000 EUR, participation up to 25%



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the European Commission website. The address bar shows the URL: ec.europa.eu/echo/funding-evaluations/financing-civil-protection/calls-for-proposal/2015-prev. The page title is "Call for proposals 2015 for prevention and preparedness projects in the field of civil protection and marine pollution". The main content area features a large blue heading for the call, followed by a paragraph describing the objective: "Objective of the call is to select projects which support and complement the efforts of participating states and eligible third countries in prevention and preparedness in civil protection and marine pollution focusing on areas where a common European approach is more appropriate." Below this, it states the legal framework: "The legal framework for this call is the Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism and its implementing rules (C(2014)7489 final)." The page also includes a "Share" button and a "SUBSCRIBE" button. The right sidebar contains a search bar, a language selector for Arabic ("العربية"), and social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, Google+, LinkedIn, and RSS.

Call for proposals 2015 for prevention and preparedness projects in the field of civil protection and marine pollution

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This Call for proposals is open also to enlargement countries and the European Neighbourhood Policy countries. Projects can be financed from two separate budget items: internal and external budget

ECRA PROJECT PROPOSAL

Project context

If some serious accident happen in speleo underground environment, rescue actions are so much complicated and long-lasting that almost no one country has enough skilled rescuers to be able to make rescue only by its own capacity. Therefore each demanding speleo rescue action usually needs help of similar rescue services from neighboring countries.

Because of lack of predefined operational rules for emergency escalation and lack of knowledge about rescue capacities in neighboring countries, calls for preparedness and on-field participation travels just by private contacts between people who privately know each other.

Once the international mixed teams start working together in the rescue operation, immediately become visible discrepancies in daily praxis what can in certain moment lead to the really dangerous situations.

1. Development of unified cooperation internationalized speleo rescue

2. Participation of speleo rescuers in earthquake stroke zones – urban areas

PROJECT OBJECTIVENESS

Project package 1.

Setup of preparedness and emergency escalation (collision of national legislatives)

Action items in this project package shall be following:

- collection and examination of national civil protection rules of all members, harmonization and proposals for new modalities of efficient call escalation, what are possibilities for maximal shortening of response time?
- cooperation with responsible EU ECHO divisions for advices
- several workshops with national civil protection bodies and ECRA with the goal to explain problem and force search for efficient solution
- collection of technical data about national rescue service capacities and other data relevant for internationalization of rescue action

PROJECT OBJECTIVENESS

Project package 2.

Definition of behavior recommendations for operation in urban zones

Action items in this package shall be about:

- workshops with presentation of general rescue experiences collected in international helps (like Haiti earthquake, tsunami water hammer, INSARAG rules etc.) and recommendation how to behave in the areas of disaster
- technical workshops about proper fastening and anchoring in buildings, dangers in buildings and construction for rescuers, adaptation of rope technics to be useful in urban areas, understanding of firefighting progression technics etc

PROJECT OBJECTIVENESS

Project package 3.

Definition of recommendation for harmonized cooperation

This package includes harmonization exercises and technical workshops by means of them will be unified

- guidelines of rescue action management
- rescue equipment and rope technics
- Underground camping
- communication in multilingual environment

In facet everything what is essential for international collaboration of national rescue services. This project package also include production or translation of manuals describing cave rescue topics.

Action items will be mutually defined.

PROJECT OBJECTIVENESS

Project package 4.

Fourth project package is related to the aspect of life saving at diving in caves.

In many cases of cave exploring, further cave progression is possible only by diving what is most dangerous activity in the water and in the caves.

Diving is also tightly connected with very short time allowed to work in deep underwater so exchange of divers in some complicated rescue situation is only safe solution.

In this package focus will be on roots of accidents, medicine and rescue in underwater.