

Press release

Opening Conference of the Project ROMD00024 – C TRAINED “Cross Border Joint Training”

On the november 11, 2025, the Opening Conference of the Project ROMD00024 – C TRAINED “Cross Border Joint Training” took place. In this project, the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations (IGSU) of Romania acts as the Lead Partner, and the Căușeni Regional Directorate for Exceptional Situations of the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations, is Partner 2.

The project is funded by the European Union through the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI), through the Interreg NEXT Romania– Republic of Moldova 2021–2027 Programme, Priority 1 – Green Communities, Specific Objective 1.1 – Promoting climate change adaptation, disaster risk prevention, and resilience, taking into account ecosystem-based approaches.

The event was held in Iași, organized by the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations as Lead Partner, and hosted by the “Mihail Sturdza” Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Iași County, as a project partner.

The event was attended by Mr. Ion Coșer, Consul General of the Republic of Moldova in Iași; Colonel Alin Maghiar, Head of the External Funding Projects Directorate within IGSU Romania, Mr. Igor CALANCEA, Deputy Head of the Căușeni Regional Directorate for Exceptional Situations within the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Moldova, representatives of the project partners, officials from local and county public authorities and institutions, as well as members of the media.

During the event, details regarding the project’s objectives, activities, allocated budget, implementation stages, and expected results were presented.

The total project value is EUR 1,593,354.95, of which non-reimbursable funding amounts to EUR 1,434,019.44.

The project implementation period is 24 months, from July 15, 2025, to July 14, 2027.

The overall objective of the project is to improve the joint response to emergency situations in the cross-border area through the organization of joint training sessions and the procurement of specialized intervention equipment.

The project aims to achieve the following results:

- A common procedure for monitoring and notifying emergency situations and for providing emergency medical assistance in the cross-border area;
- A joint training curriculum in the field of fire suppression for residential buildings;
- equipment for equipping firefighters from Romania and Moldova, especially for the



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- Căușeni Regional Directorate for Exceptional Situations – a firefighting truck, 2 off-road vehicles and a microbus;
- 12 joint training sessions for professional firefighters.

This project is implemented by the four partners: the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Romania, which is also the Lead Partner, the Căușeni Regional Directorate for Exceptional Situations – Republic of Moldova, the “Mihail Sturdza” Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Iași County, and the “Nicolae Iorga” Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Botoșani County.

“ Through our joint effort and the commitment of all those involved, we have succeeded in launching an ambitious project and strengthening a long-term partnership, bringing concrete benefits to citizens on both sides of the Prut River.

Over the next two years, this project will continue to consolidate the cooperation between the authorities of Romania and the Republic of Moldova.

I am confident that, through our common efforts, we will successfully achieve the set objectives and contribute to a safer and more resilient future for our communities!”, stated Colonel Alin Maghiar, Head of the External Funding Projects Directorate within IGSU, at the opening of the event.

Also, the representative of the partner from the Republic of Moldova, Lieutenant-Colonel Igor CALANCEA, Deputy Head of the Regional Directorate for Exceptional Situations of Căușeni within IGSU Moldova, stated:

“ We are fully convinced that this initiative will turn the project into a success story and will strengthen the relations between IGSU Romania, the County Inspectorates for Emergency Situations of Iași and Botoșani, and the Regional Directorate for Exceptional Situations of Căușeni. It will enable us to carry out various professional activities and to apply for other projects aimed at developing the communities in the cross-border area.”

Furthermore, the Chief Inspector of the Iași County Inspectorate for Emergency Situations, Brigadier General Ionuț-Ciprian Grădinaru, highlighted:

“ Through the implementation of this project, we will consolidate professional cooperation between Romania and the Republic of Moldova, strengthening interoperability, the exchange of best practices, and mutual trust between the intervention structures of our two countries. I wish to emphasize that our mission goes beyond exercises and equipment – our ultimate goal is to be closer to people, to provide safety, confidence, and peace of mind. Every piece of equipment purchased and every training session is designed for the citizens, for the community, for life.”

Further emphasizing the importance of the initiative, Colonel Dan BULAT, Acting Deputy Chief Inspector of the County Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Botoșani, underlined that:



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“This project is, above all, an investment in people – in the training and safety of operational personnel.

It represents an opportunity for joint exercises, the exchange of experience, and for working side by side with our colleagues from the Republic of Moldova, so that when an emergency arises, our response is swift, coordinated, and effective.

Through training sessions, practical drills, and the acquisition of modern equipment, we are strengthening our capacity to protect our communities.

Every training session means greater confidence, enhanced professionalism, and ultimately, more lives saved.”

Previous projects implemented by the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations have confirmed the importance and effectiveness of investing in the training of rescuers from Romania and partner countries, demonstrating the real benefits of cross-border cooperation in emergency management. Building on these results, we have continued to develop initiatives that enhance operational performance and have constantly sought funding opportunities to implement sustainable projects with real impact.

Through these efforts, we aim to ensure that firefighters are trained and perfected to the highest European standards, so that interventions intended to save lives and protect community property are increasingly faster, more coordinated, and safer.

We express our gratitude to all those who attended this event, whose involvement made possible the launch of the C-TRAINED project, and we reaffirm our full commitment to the citizens in the cross-border area, assuring them that we will continue to act with professionalism, dedication, and responsibility in the service of public safety and community well-being.

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