



## THE PROJECT

MEFISTO project aims to raise preparedness level through an efficient and standardized training protocol developed by a representative network of Mediterranean stakeholders. In this context, it is important to establish training programmes with specific sessions on the organization, protocols and procedures applied in the EU Countries in order to improve the effectiveness on cross-border collaboration and to allow an easy and safe transfer of human and material facilities from a Country to another. This project will address new opportunities regarding interoperability between Mediterranean training centres, allowing international cooperation against disasters related with forest fires.



In the last decades, the deployment of experts, teams and equipment, among the member States in occasion of severe fire seasons in one of the other member States has increased. At the same time, EU exercises on forest fire fighting were organized (e.g. Sardinia 2008, Prometheus 2014) thus highlighting the needs of a co-ordination and collaboration improvement on forest fire response capacity at EU level.



## OBJECTIVES

**The general aim of the project is the development of procedures for improving efficiency and effectiveness of forest fire fighting at European level, increasing the capacity for collaboration among Countries, developing common high quality standards in fire fighting training systems and sharing knowledge.**

To share knowledge on strategies, tactics and methods.

To include in the training programmes of each Country specific sessions on the organization, protocols and procedures applied in the neighbouring Countries in order to improve the effectiveness on cross-border fire fighting.

To develop a standardized and common terminology to improve the communication efficacy in joint fire fighting operation.

To develop standardized operational training skills for forest firefighters.

To establish an organization of representatives and agencies which manage and monitor the skills and competence certification processes at national level.



## EXPECTED RESULTS

The planned activities will guarantee the development of a network among involved countries for starting the development of a coordination to facilitate a coherent European response during forest fire emergencies inside Europe.

The redaction of guidelines and reports with the description of the organization, strategies and methods applied in each Country. These documents will contain the protocols and procedures applied in neighboring Countries in order to improve the efficiency of cross-border fire fighting.

The definition of the standards in fire fighting training system which can be applied in all partners Countries (training assessment, assessment methods, scoresheets).

The promotion of new initiatives of training in all the involved structures.

The development of an European qualifications of European Forest Fire personnel.

The institution of a European permanent network with the aims of develop and guarantee the international standard assessment of firefighter skills.



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