

Baltic Leadership Programme in Civil Protection



A platform for building cross-border approaches for future cooperation in civil security with long-term benefits for regional safety.



The objective of the **Baltic Leadership Programme in Civil Protection** is to strengthen international cooperation by building a strong network of dynamic leaders in the Baltic Sea Region.

In its effort to connect decision makers who work in Civil Security, the programme seeks to create a **transnational team of experts**. This network can work together towards a **regional cooperation strategy** and increase the region's overall safety and preparedness through future collaboration.

Two Programmes have taken place so far, including both, professionals working on the project-level on the one hand and professionals in leading, strategic positions on the other.





During the first week of December 2014, the **Swedish Institute** - in collaboration with the **Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS)** and the **Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB)** - invited 25 high-level professionals from the field of Civil Protection to the **Baltic Leadership Programme in Civil Protection for Future Decision Makers** in Tallinn.

The participants, representing all **CBSS Member States**, spent four days exchanging their personal experiences and processes of their work, aiming to share their knowledge and learn about best practices from other countries.

The agenda included scenario based group work and tabletop exercises, designed by the Crisis Management Research and Training department (CRISMART) of the **Swedish Defense College**, as well as workshops and presentations given by representatives of the **European Commission**, government agencies or project leaders, all dedicated to Civil Security.

The first Baltic Leadership Programme in Civil Protection took place in 2012 as flagship project under the **European Union Strategy of the Baltic Sea Region Priority Area Secure**.

Designed for **Project Managers**, the two modules in Stockholm and Brussels provided participants with information about political settings and frameworks that can be applied for establishing a constructive dialogue between field experts in civil protection and **public policy actors**.



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