

## CONCLUSIONS

### **Fourth Annual Meeting – BORDAIRPOL II For the Heads of Border Police, Commanders of international airports and Heads of the Land Border 07 February 2018, Skopje, Macedonia**

1. The participants of the meeting reached consensus that BORDAIRPOL II met the beneficiaries' needs (by contributing to border police cooperation, identification of problems and cooperation with Frontex), BUT MORE IS TO BE DONE. Annual meetings and joint trainings have been organized at high quality level, with adequate selection of participants and experts from regional and international partners. Project gatherings are contributing towards improvement and development of good neighborly relations among Project Beneficiaries.
2. MARRI support is needed to fill in the existing gaps:
  - strengthening of operational capacities with development of IT regional system for information exchange (biometric data, crypto protection) or/and redesign of existing BORDAIRPOL II protected web page. Fast delivery and exchange of information is a key demand;
  - introduction of API systems and harmonization of related legal framework and related study visits/trainings;
  - training for data entry to BORDAIRPOL II protected web page for police officers in order to increase use of this tool;
  - continuation of strategic meetings at following levels (surveillance: land, sea and lake; border crossings with air police; operational work to produce regional Risk Analysis) each six months, following similar practice of Frontex;
  - continuation of regular meetings to inform on new EU regulations;
  - to include all levels of border police in the Project activities;
  - development of products aimed at prevention of cross border crime and other negative phenomena;

3. Third cycle of BORDAIRPOL is welcome and needed. Apart from implemented activities, it is also important to include in the following project cycle:

- maritime and lake border police;
- enhanced assistance in finding funds for electronic surveillance equipment;
- organization of trainings (with following topics: identification of terrorists among migrants, VEGA children, humanitarian border management, MARRI-Frontex "Train the Trainers", MARRI - INTERPOL trainings for 30 policemen of trilateral police centers, illegal migration, cross border crime, drugs);
- development of interactive exercises MARRI - EUROPOL – FRONTEX;
- exchange of information (modus operandi) among Project Beneficiaries on THB, providing more information on THB on unaccompanied minors and discuss their later integration;
- providing assistance to Project Beneficiaries in order to implement Readmission arrangements and assist in finding funds for implementation of joint activities.

4. MARRI synergies with other partners are welcome and encouraged in future. Project beneficiaries support the already established partnerships with other regional and European stakeholders and ask for:

- establishment of cooperation between MARRI and AIRPOL;
- support in development:
  - a) project proposal for Serbia and Montenegro border blockage in order to find funds for implementation of this agreement
  - b) Project proposal for Albania and Montenegro for provision of electronic surveillance and vessels;

5. Provided that donor will support implementation of third cycle of BORDAIRPOL, Project Beneficiaries would like to include another topic of common interest: Improvement of cooperation between Customs and Border Police.