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POLITICS WORKSHOP

„Flood protection – local and international level“



13. – 14. 4. 2011 in Prague

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Workshop „Flood protection – local and international level“
14th April 2011, Prague

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1. WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS

Workshop was organized by Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic and was focused on flood protection for local and international level. To the workshop were mainly invited project partners, politicians working on protection against flooding and experts in the field of flood protection.

The workshop was attended by project partners from the Czech Republic and from Germany, by experts from Czech Hydrometeorological Institute and from International Commission for the Protection of the Elbe River, by processors of professional studies and by local, regional and national politicians.

2. PROGRAM

Workshop „Flood protection – local and international level“ was a two-day meeting and the program was separated in several parts – field trip, presentations and discussion. The workshop program was as follows:

13th April 2011

15:00 Field trip

18:00 Joint dinner'

14th April 2011

9:00 Welcome and introduction, foreword

„Flood protection as one of the priorities of the Ministry of the Environment“

Ing. Jan Kubát – Czech Hydrometeorological Institute



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9:20 „Basic information about the LABEL project“

Dipl.-Ing. Andreas Kühl – Saxon State Ministry of the Interior

9:45 „The role of working group RISK“

Dipl. Hydr. Uwe Höhne – Saxon state Office for the Environment,
Agriculture and Geology

10:10 „Importance of cooperation within the International Commission for
the Protection of the Elbe“

Prof. Dr. Martin Socher – Saxon state Ministry of the Environment and
Agriculture

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 „Implementation of requirements of Flood Directive in the Czech
Republic“

Ing. Josef Reidinger – Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic

11:30 „Implementation of requirements of Flood Directive in Germany“

Matthias Grafe – Saxon state Office for the Environment, Agriculture
and Geology

12:00 Lunch

12:30 „Assessment of retention measures in the Region – a pilot project“

Mgr. Milada Kadlecová – Institute for Regional Information

13:00 „Areas of flooding in the Ore Mountains – a pilot project“

Mgr. Jan Koch – Ústí Region

13:30 Coffee break

14:00 „Current possibilities and perspectives of flood warning and forecasting
services“

Ing. Jan Kubát – Czech Hydrometeorological Institute



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14:30 „The role of regional authorities in the flood protection“

Ing. Jiří Holas – Hradec Králové Region

15:00 „The experience of coping with floods“

Martin Půta – Mayor of Hrádek nad Nisou

15:30 Discussion

16:00 End of the workshop

3. FIELD TRIP

The field trip was separated into two parts. First part held at headquarters of Vltava River Basin Authority. The participants were welcomed by Mr. Jaroslav Beneš, then were presented two lectures on the topics Vltava Cascade and floods and flood protection in Prague. The lecture about the Vltava Cascade was presented by Mr. Tomáš Kendík and the second lecture was presented by Mr. Jaroslav Beneš.





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Second part of the Field trip included practical demonstration of flood protection and flood gates in Prague. The participants could also see the mark representing the reach of water during floods and the flood gate in Kampa.



After the field trip were the participants transported by minibuses to the restaurant „U Saní“, where was prepared the dinner. After dinner, some participants went to the hotel Adeba where they were staying and where the politics workshop took place the following day.

4. WORKSHOP

The workshop was held in the conference room of the hotel Adeba in Prague. The attendance of participants began at 8:30. Each participant received a gift bag with LABEL promotional items and promotional material of Czech LABEL partners. Simultaneous translation was provided by two translators.

5. PRESENTATIONS

Ing. Jan Kubát

Czech Hydrometeorological Institute

Mr. Kubát welcomed visitors of the workshop and made a foreword on the theme „Flood protection as one of the priorities of the Ministry of the Environment“.



Dipl.-Ing. Andreas Kühl

Saxon State Ministry of the Interior

The first lecture was presented by Mr. Kühl, title of his lecture was „Basic information about the LABEL project“. His presentation was about project LABEL and its main goals, about project area and project partners.

His lecture included some information about climate change adaptation strategy in the EU and about flood risk management. He also presented the project ELLA, that was the forerunner of project LABEL. At the end Mr. Kühl also introduced project's website and upcoming events.





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Dipl. Hydr. Uwe Höhne

Saxon state Office for the Environment,
Agriculture and Geology

Mr. Uwe Höhne lectured on the theme „The role of working group RISK“. He presented main goals, aims, tasks and roles of WG RISK. He also stressed the importance of WG RISK and sub WG RISK meetings, where information and approaches are exchanged.



Prof. Dr. Martin Socher

Saxon state Ministry of the Environment and
Agriculture

Dr. Martin Socher in his lecture entitled „Importance of cooperation within the International Commission for the Protection of the Elbe“ presented some information about Elbe river basin and about flood risk management in international organisations.



He also described the organizational structure of International Commission for the Protection of the Elbe and its main roles and goals. There was presented the International Flood Risk Management Plan for the Elbe.



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Ing. Josef Reidinger

Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic

Mr. Reidinger appeared with his contribution entitled „Implementation of requirements of Flood Directive in the Czech Republic“. He presented some information about Flood Directive and implementation progress. It was also mentioned the amendments of law relating to flood protection and water management.



The main part of the presentation was given to flood mapping and flood plains. Participants of the workshop could see several maps showing floodplains. Mr. Reidinger also presented Flood information system POVIS.

Matthias Grafe

Saxon state Office for the Environment, Agriculture and Geology

Mr. Grafe presented his lecture entitled „Implementation of requirements of Flood Directive in Germany“. In the lecture he mentioned the need to harmonize approaches to flood management.

Mr. Grafe also said some information about Elbe River Basin Commission, whose priority areas of cooperation are:

implementing the European Water Framework Directive

and the European Flood Risk Management Policy. He presented the flood risk management plan entitled “White Elster”.



Mgr. Milada Kadlecová

Institute for Regional Information

Mrs. Kadlecová represented project partner number 12 – Pilsen Region. Her presentation was about the pilot project relating to evaluation of retention and reservoir capacities in the Pilsen Region.



The participants could also see the figures and maps about the balance of the accumulation of flood waters into sub-basins.

Mgr. Jan Koch

Ústí Region

Mr. Koch presented the pilot project about areas of flooding in the Krusne Mountains – the goals and methodology. To the main goals belong the assessment of rainfall-runoff characteristics of areas, the evaluation of flood risk, assessment of erosion risk and flood protection measures. The lecture was also about some case studies – solved area was the eastern part of the Ore mountains.



Ing. Jan Kubát

Czech Hydrometeorological Institute

The lecture presented by Mr. Kubát was about Flood Forecasting and Warning Service in the Czech Republic and about current possibilities and perspectives of flood warning and forecasting services. He told some information about legislation service

about flood reporting and flood warning. In the presentation were shown the degrees of flood activities, improvement of monitoring and data presentation and floodforecasting products.





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Ing. Eva Valterová

Hradec Králové Region

Mrs. Valterová presented her lecture about the role of regional authorities in the flood protection. Her presentation included information about flood protection strategy and legislation and about flood protection authorities. The part of the presentation were also flood plans and their contents. Participants learned about the flood warning and forecasting service and heard about process of announcing a crisis situation.



Martin Půta

Mayor of Hrádek nad Nisou

Mr. Půta presented his experiences of coping with floods in Hrádek nad Nisou in year 2010. Participants could see many pictures from this devastating flood and heard about its consequences.





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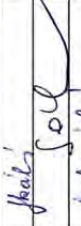
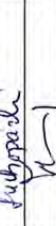









6. Discussion




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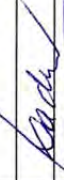




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