12TH MEETING
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12th meeting of EFNDT WG5 – PSSndtT (Public Security and Safety NDT Technology) held on May 25, 2007, in Opatija at Hotel Adriatic, starting time 10 am.

1. Opening of meeting,
2. Roll call of participants,
3. Adoption of the Agenda,
4. Accepting the Minutes of the 11th WG5 Meeting,
5. Information from the Convenor, achievements and foresight activities
6. Information about activities, members presentations,

7. WG5 initiatives on co-ordination and structuring NDT research system and policies for the competitiveness of European Public security and safety industry (NDT field), focused on early and reliable detection and identification from threats;

Objectives:
- Analysis of current demands
- Approach; possibly suitable NDT technologies, latest development
- Identify co-operation partners in public authorities and industry
- Establishing a suitable framework for cooperation
- Upcoming European and national (or bilateral) programs and funds
- Participation in networks

8. Date and place for the 13th WG5 – PSSndtT meeting,
9. Any other business.

- Agenda accepted
- New member: Prof. Giuseppe Nardoni, Rome, Italy

- Presentation Dr. Gambiroza: CROMAC in Sisac, testing equipment (Dr. Tom Bloodworth, now GB, informed, European funds are available (5 billion EUR, only 1.4% was applied for),
- Presentation Dr. Gambiroza (CROMAC):
  o Prepare other countries based on Croatian technology
  o Mine situation in Croatia, 54% of forest area infected, houses have highest priority, 1.1 million living mines in affected areas, as compared to 4.5 million inhabitants in Croatia
  o Arial reduction, new technologies testing and approval
  o Directly donated money to market oriented controlled (50 firms, territory for testing internationally
  o Mines close to houses most prominent problem: purpose of laying mines was to clear areas from inhabitants, i.e. to expel population (paramilitary action)
  o Testing: mandatory once a year (systems) for certification,
- Funding: state budget 53%

- Presentation Prof. Zelido Dobranovic
  - Counter terrorism: critical infrastructure protection
  - Change in terroristic attacks

- Discussion:
  - Level of sharing information
    - Local
    - Part of bigger project
    - If so, social support
  - Critical structure owned privately, problem of governmental influence (railway, gas, oil, power)
  - Common features and local differences between cities
  - Part of WG5? To find leaders in town development strategies, networking, mirror groups in other places (Sweden)
  - Currently rush of researchers into counter terrorism technologies
  - Funds are the common denominator (extract, modify, offer technology)
  - Identify needs, gradually filling the field
  - How can WG5 help?
    - Good opportunity for knowledge exchange, lobbying
    - Prepare start documents
    - This project cannot exist on standard project schemes
    - Find local private industry, good frame – back bone, extract unclassified knowledge to share
    - Brochure
    - Project leader, steering committee, crisis management
    - Inquiry in Croatia: end-user
    - Following 2 lanes (Nardoni):
      - physical principle, monitoring, detection
      - organisation system (airport)
    - NDE-people: how to use detectors in a system
    - Assume to control e.g. the London Underground: reduces speed, not comparable to airports
    - Funds may be available from EFNDT (50 000 €, 10 % for starting point (data acquisition, travel)
    - Situation along pipelines, in power plants (e.g.), anticipating future threats
    - Structure and functions as suggested by Dr. Nardoni:

- Rules exist for all WGs in EFNDT, to be defined
  - Handling of internal infos in difference to the outside
    - Confidentiality
- classification
  - designator to be identified (dealing with terrorists)
  - No public without approval
  - Rules/guidelines to be published on web page

- Actions
  - WG internal procedures of handling confidential infos
  - FP7 programmes: link to the web site (see PPT transparency)
  - Letters
    - reference to programmes
    - to project coordinators
    - as referee EFNDT (McFarlain …)
  - Publications:
    - ECNDT – completely on web site
  - New technologies:
    - demining with GPR
    - table of technologies to be updated

- suggestions for next meeting:
  - 10 – 14 October Chania (?)
  - 16. Nov. 2007 in Zagreb (?)

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