

ACHEIVING THE HIGHEST SAFETY AND TECHNICAL QUALITY OF CONSTRUCTION CONSTRUCTION FAIR, BUDVA 28 SEPT 2012

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Background to project

- No desire to see repetition of 1979 earthquake
- Candidate country status in 2010, negotiations 2012
- Obligation to adopt European legislation *acquis communitaire* in all areas (35 chapters)
- For Single/Internal Market meet obligations for:
 - Free movement of services
 - Free movement of goods without customs and tariffs
- Technical legislation underpinned by European standards
- Opportunity to update to Eurocodes

Project Partners

- EU Funded under Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA)
- Delivery
 - Austrian Standards Institute, ASI (Lead Partner)
 - Association Française de Normalisation, AFNOR (Junior Partner)
- Beneficiary
 - Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism

Key Players

- Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism
- ISME
- Chamber of Engineers
- Civil Engineering Faculty, Montenegro University
- Chamber of Economy/Commerce
- Seismological Observatory
- Hydrometeorlogical Institute
- Geological Institute
- Zigma Laboratory

Other Players

- Public procurers
 - Public Procurement Administration, Ministry of Finance
 - Public works for buildings
 - Traffic for roads
 - Railways
- Construction products/materials producers
- Ministry of Education for accreditation of courses
- High school for vocational studies

Component 1

- 1. Timeline for priority structures
- 2. Safety Factors: Nationally Determined Parameters
- 3. Define IT equipment for elaboration of NDPs
- 4. Establish regional network for translation
- 5. Establish regional network for climatic data
- 6. Adaptation of legislation to permit Eurocodes usage
- 7. Procurement of equipment identified in 3 above

Component 2

- 1. Define training material for continuing professional development
- 2. Define university teaching notes
- 3. Training of trainers
- 4. Elaboration of plan for intensive training

Component 3

- 1. Determination of NDPS for Eurocode 8
- 2. Incorporation of seismic data from NATO project
- 3. Translation of national annex into Montenegrin

Establishing priorities: understanding Montenegro

- A country with a population of 650 000
- 560 civil engineers in the Chamber of Engineers
- ISME established Technical Committee for Eurocodes 7/2011
- Human resources finite
- Professionals perform multi-functions

Act 1.1 Establishing standardisation priorities

- Eurocodes cover buildings and civil engineering works
- Identifying most widespread structures
 - Concrete buildings identified as first priority
 - Masonry buildings identified as next priority
- All will require seismic resistance
- Eurocodes package 2/1 (concrete buildings) has 15 parts – prioritising within this set

Act 1.2 Nationally Determined Parameters 1/2

- Safety factors to be set by NSBs in consultation with their governments
- Guidance Paper L recognises this right of Member States
- EC Recommendation encourages recommended values
- In alternative methods, choose recommended method
- Ensure consistency across all Eurocode parts

Nationally Determined Parameters 2/2

- Should reflect climatic, geographical or geological differences
- Reflect design cultures or structural analyses
- Reflect experiences of materials and building practices
- Implications from risk of failure
- Progress made contact with :
 - EC to access database of NDPs from EU states
 - As well as some regional countries

IT Equipment: for NDP

- No specific equipment identified
- Funds to purchase specialist equipment for data gathering and processing recommended
- Improve quality of information in standards and also for designers and construction industry

Translation

- CEN languages: English French and German
- Some EU countries have adopted English version
- Need text in Montenegrin, or near working language
- 58 Eurocodes parts are expensive to translate singlehandedly
- Few standards have been translated by Serbia
- MOU being established with FYR to share translation costs
- For concrete buildings, package 2/1, needs 15 standards

Technical Data

- FYR Macedoni and Albania approached to share climatic, geological and seismic data
- Preparing national data including seismic data from NATO Science for Peace project
- MOU for regional network being prepared for sharing snow, wind and thermal data
- Work in progress

Legal Adaptation

- Laws on Spatial Development and Construction Products being examined
- Meetings being held with legal experts to check if Eurocodes can be used
- Meeting Public Procurement Administration and clients: Traffic, Railways and Buildings
- Checking if designs acceptable based on Eurocodes
- Output: Produce roadmap for implementation of EU construction legislation into Montenegro

Define professional engineering needs

Assess needs of practising engineers (CPD):

- Implementation of Eurocodes
- Worked examples of common structures
- Design manuals and handbooks
- Availability of design software
- Materials sector guides
- Training
- Establish national helpdesk
- Work in Progress

Define university teaching needs

- Updating teaching notes for students
- Textbooks
- Training software
- Guidelines
- Worked examples
- Information leaflets

Training

- Define training material
- Training of trainers across all the Eurocodes to provide sustainability
- Training for professional engineers

Outputs

- Action plan for adoption of Eurocodes
- Action plan for implementation of Eurocodes
- National Annex for Eurocode EN 1998-1 in Montenegrin

Thank you for your attention

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