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Dear readers,

HAZADR project is designed to assist Adriatic States, Regions and Counties in taking actions - individually or jointly within their respective policies priorities and resources – to improve the prevention, reduction, and reaction against the pollution by oil and toxic material spilled at coasts. 13 project partners from Italy, Croatia, Slovenia, Montenegro and Albania, plus many other emergency corps and decision makers, are testing new early warning and predictive applications to make Adriatic coasts safer. Find out about the latest HAZADR news in this issue of the international newsletter!



[Joint exercises to combat oil spill at coasts continues](#)

One of the pillar of the HAZADR project is the organization of cross-border exercises on the Adriatic to improve cooperation and harmonize the work of operational staff, especially response teams involved in implementing national and regional contingency plans. After VIREX and ERCOLE, the 3rd international exercise is on the pipeline.



[Slovenian radars in operation in the North Adriatic](#)

An advanced system for current and wave measurements in the northern Adriatic was set up at the Marine Biology Station Piran last year as part of the HAZADR project. Researchers believe the measurements will bring new insights into water flows in the Gulf of Trieste and enable more effective reactions to potential accidents and spills. This action is part of a larger Adriatic radar installation program carried on also in Croatia and Italy.



[HAZADR in the top ten projects of Montenegro](#)

The University of Montenegro organized an important workshop on the 25.03.2015 which aimed at promoting international projects at the University of Montenegro. HAZADR was presented as one of the most important in the field of Adriatic environmental protection. In the meantime, the University of Montenegro is getting ready to implement the international exercise with Apulia Region and the Albanian Ministry of Transport.



[New round of workshops in Croatia](#)

While the Adriatic Training and Research Centre is under finalization in Rijeka, Istria and Split-Dalmatia Counties have recently organized some technical workshops to raise reaction capacities in cases of eventual oil spill accidents and to train technicians in the use of the purchased emergency equipment.



[ECOSCIENZA published 2 articles about HAZADR](#)

Large space dedicated to HAZADR in the last issue of ECOSCIENZA journal by the Environmental Agency of Emilia-Romagna Region (IT). Two articles about the project implementation and the exercise ERCOLE, organized in September 2014 upon the cooperation of Emilia-Romagna Region and Marche Region, have been published at pages 60-64.



[HAZADR project meeting in Tirana](#)

The fifth Steering Committee meeting of HAZADR project was organized on 9th and 10th of December 2014 in Tirana (Albania). After the welcome speech of the political delegates of the Ministry of Public Works and Transport, the consortia discussed around the last phase of project actions, namely the ATRC, the third international exercise and the ATLAS testing phase.

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