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Greetings,

The responsibility for crisis management and disaster response is different for every nation and may involve several ministries and agencies. The interaction between them is a core task that requires common efforts and advanced knowledge to anticipate and collaborate the skills of many actors – governmental, non-governmental, local and regional, and etc. The importance of interagency interaction is to ensure that every entity can come together and work as one to assist in crisis management and disaster response.

On behalf of the Crisis Management and Disaster Response Centre of Excellence (CMDR COE), I would like to formally invite you at the upcoming 7th Annual CMDR COE Conference on topic “Crisis Management and Disaster Response Interagency Interaction”. It will take place in Sofia, Bulgaria, from 5th to 6th June, 2019.

Our desire is to promote topics for directions to identify possible areas of cooperation and collaboration as well as sharing best practices and lessons learned. The Conference’s objective is to facilitate the comprehensive approach and will aim to explore 1) contingency issues in more depth; 2) ideas in a way that will advance the common understanding; 3) gain points of view that might not have been otherwise considered.

The event is open to all NATO Nations and Partners, national and international organizations. It will be constituted in three panels as follow:


- I. Collaborative Interaction – Implication on Security
- II. Implication of Global Changes on Security
- III. Building Resilience to Crisis and Disaster – Nexus.

The working language will be English and interpretation services to and from other languages will not be provided. In regard of the conference's agenda and call for paper the CMDR COE provides duly updates on its website www.cmdrcoe.org.

For more details, please do not hesitate to contact the POCs of the event – Colonel Plamen Milanov, plamen.milanov@cmdrcoe.org or LTC Desislav Zmeev, desislav.zmeev@cmdrcoe.org.

Thank you in advance for considering this invitation.

I look forward to seeing you soon in Sofia.



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