

# Sub-regional workshop on land-use planning and industrial safety for Eastern Europe and the Caucasus



Practical exercise with a role play – 23rd May 2019

Overall conclusions

# Scenario

- The scenario presented a realistic situation
- There is a need to look at the whole picture and not only at individual elements
- An integrated approach is necessary because of the interdependencies

# Role play and proces

- Successful role plays with an enthusiastic, substantive and professional involvement of all participants
- Professional and constructive discussions that led to well-considered choices and decisions
- It is however not about decisions only, it is about the process how to come to a joint decision on (new) developments and their siting
- All stakeholders delivered valuable input to the discussion
- Solution oriented dialogues and discussions
- Discussions can result in alternative (and sometimes better) solutions
- Considerations for the best choices are largely based on technical advice. Expert advice is essential!



# Cross-border cooperation

- Identified and confirmed that cross-border consultation and cooperation is a must
- Discussions on developments and their potential impact in a broad sense, should take place with the involvement of all stakeholders.
- Final decision-making should take into consideration the opinion of all stakeholders involved
- Cross-border consultation on new developments can give opportunities for mutual benefits
- In case of (two) different risk assessment methodologies as used by countries, situational adjustment should be considered

# Overall conclusions

The workshop:

- strengthened the participants' understanding that engagement with a wide range of stakeholders (within and across borders) is crucial for good planning, risk assessment, the management of hazardous activities and preparedness for accident risks
- highlighted and underlined the need to consult and exchange information with neighbouring countries on land-use plans and the use of different risk assessment methodologies, in order to gain knowledge on the use and development of land directly across borders and assessing the potential issues and ideas for industrial accident prevention and management
- showed that dialogue between the stakeholders and countries allowed for issues to be properly considered and reflected in the final decisions

