

# An Exercise Framework for BD on the Shore

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# Conclusions from BD at Sea Survey

- Define overall objectives for BD.
- Define aims based on BD objectives and on previous results.
- Choose exercise type to match exercise objective and aims.
- Increase complexity, but where?
- Learn to crawl before you walk!
- Strengthen the evaluation phase.
- Exercises on the shore and at sea are difficult to combine.



# Operations on the Shore

- Are complex, and have many different actors.
- Have other needs regarding clearance, customs, host nation support and logistics.
- Are predominately national.
- Have a low maturity regarding large scale multinational operations.



# Overall Considerations

- The exercise framework for BD on the shore must be consistent with the one for BD at sea.
- The exercise framework need to be consistent with frameworks under other relevant agreements.
- The relationship between exercise aims, evaluation, and strategic development need to be stressed.
- The exercises should be part of the overall HELCOM strategic development plan.
- The framework is a guideline, not a handbook, and need to based on proven procedures for planning and implementation of exercises.

# Types and levels of exercises

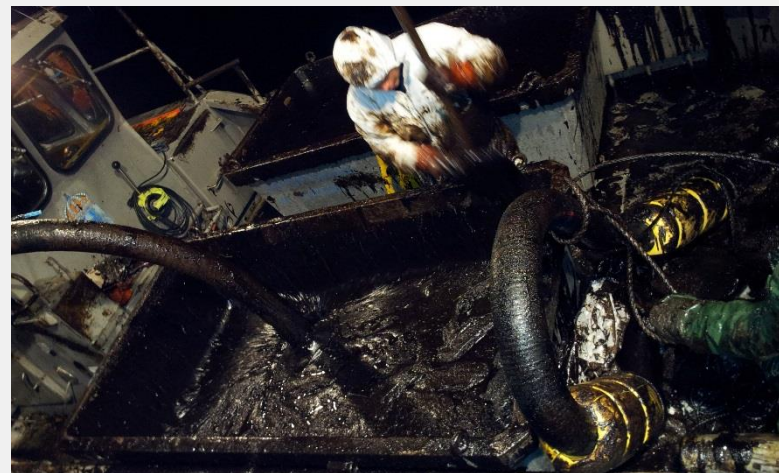
- Types of exercises
  - Synthetic Exercise/table-top exercise
  - Functional Exercise, including Alarm Exercise
  - Equipment Exercise
  - Operational Exercise
  - State-of-the-art Exercise
- Choose type from a functional perspective
- Levels of exercises
  - Multilateral exercise
  - Bilateral exercise
  - National exercise
  - Sub-national exercise
  - Local exercise
- Nat. & subnat. exercises prepares multinat. exercises

# Frequency and Participation

- At least one exercise/year
  - Size and type to fit national needs and capabilities.
  - Rotated responsibility.
- Broad participation
  - Reflects the real situation.
  - Participation will depend on host nation needs.
    - Nations
    - Agencies/organisations
  - Volunteer org. should participate
  - All contracting parties invited to observe.

# Exercise

- Base the exercises on a list of available resources
  - This trains and prepares both resource owners and recipients.
- Base the exercises on a development strategy for HELCOM
  - HELCOM RESPONSE Exercise Plan (HREP)
  - HELCOM RESPONSE have the final say on aims, scenario, and design.



# Planning and Evaluation

- Planning
  - Project plan and boundaries
  - One to three planning conferences
  - All participants invited to participate.
  - Derive measurable sub-goals from the exercise goals.
- Evaluation
  - Participate in the planning and development of the exercise.
  - Goals with indicators
  - Observers
  - Developed evaluation report, derived from the goals.



# QUESTIONS?

ILLUSTRATIONS FROM THE SWEDISH COAST GUARD AND THE SWEDISH CIVIL CONTINGENCIES AGENCY

