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HELLENIC RESCUE TEAM

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Who we are

- Non Governmental – Non Profit Organization
- Existing as a rescue group since 1978
- Established as an association in 1994
- Registered as an NGO in 1999
- 31 branches
- ~ 3,000 volunteers in Greece
- Strictly Volunteer Organization: All of our members are volunteers.
HRT Structure

- 3 main departments:
  - Water Rescue
  - Mountain Rescue
  - Urban Search and Rescue

Auxiliary departments:
- First Aid
- Social and Humanitarian
- Rescue Dogs
- Research and Technology
Funding

- Donations
- Subscriptions of our members
- First aid training to civilians
- Safety and first aid training to company personnel
- Managing the biggest refuge in Mt Olympus
General Facts

- Certified Organization by:
  - The General Secretariat of Civil Protection
  - UN INSARAG

- Full member of I.M.R.F.

- The only Greek member of the I.C.A.R.
Cooperation

- In close cooperation:
  - with European Union’s ECHO
  - with OCHA
  - with Civil Protection, Coast Guard, Hellenic Airforce and the Helicopter School of the Hellenic Navy
Participation in European Projects

- Participation in EU projects which focus on the development of new technologies on the field of Crisis Management and Search and Rescue
- Participation in 2 FP7 EU projects which have been completed
  - Cosmic (http://www.cosmic-project.eu/partners)
  - RescueCell (http://www.rescuecell.eu/the-project/)
- Participation in a 3rd FP7 EU project which is ongoing
  - Concorde (http://www.concorde-project.eu/)
Humanitarian & Rescue missions in 20 countries

1. Humanitarian aid from all over Greece (sorting-transport-shipping-distribution) funded by Ministry of foreign Affairs
2. Donation of two ambulances to Iraq's health system funded by Ministry of foreign Affairs

IRAN (2004) - Humanitarian aid
AFGANISTAN (2001)
1. Humanitarian aid
2. Mobile unit for pre-hospital control
3. Establishment of a nursing school funded by Ministry of foreign Affairs
4. Establishment of a midwifery school funded by Ministry of foreign Affairs

PAKISTAN (2005) - Humanitarian aid

JORDANIA (2003)
Distribution center for humanitarian aid in Iraq

MALDIVES (2005)
Humanitarian aid

SRI LANKA (2005)
Humanitarian aid

THAILAND (2005)
Humanitarian aid

INDONESIA (2005)
1. Humanitarian aid
2. Development program & reconstruction of two schools (funds donated by Radiomarathon)

HAITI (2010)
1. Humanitarian & rescue mission
2. Development program

CHILE (2010) - Exploratory mission

Support and organization of Serbia's health system (funded by E.U.) - SERBIA (1999)

SKOPJIA (1999)

1. Program to prevent breast cancer
2. Reconstruction of psychiatric hospital funded by the Ministry of foreign Affairs
3. Telecommunication support to humanitarian missions - ALBANIA (2000)
6. Humanitarian aid - PALESTINE (GAZA 2009)

HRT’s Branches with WRD

- Established in 2000
- 16 branches in islands and coastal cities.
- ~ 700 members all over Greece.
Present Status of WRD

- Operating at present: 19 vessels
  - 7 boats in Eastern Aegean: 2 boats in Lesvos, 2 in Chios, 2 in Samos, 1 in Kos
  - 5 in the mainland of Greece
  - 3 rescue runners
IMRF Members Support

Royal National Lifeboat Institute – RNLI, UK

- Lesvos

- Support to HRT:
  - 2 x Atlantic 75 RIBs
  - Boat and sea rescue training
  - 40 life jackets, 40 dry suits and 40 helmets
  - 6 month project in Lesvos
IMRF Members Support

Koninklijke Nederlands Redding Maatschappij, Netherlands

- Chios
- Support to HRT:
  - 2 x Atlantic 75 RIBS.
  - Boat and sea rescue training
  - Support in the establishment of a new station/branch in Chios
  - Training for HRT’s new members in Chios
IMRF Members Support

Koninklijke Nederlands Redding Maatschappij, Netherlands

- Chios baptizing Ceremony, 14/05/2016
**Swedish Sea Rescue Society, SSRS, Sweeden**

- Samos
- Support to HRT:
  - 1 x RIB 8.8m
  - 2 x Rescue Runners
  - Boat and sea rescue training
  - Training for the Rescue Runners
  - 30 life jackets and 20 dry suits.
IMRF Members Support

Seenotretter, DGzRS, Germany

- Kos
- Support to HRT:
  - 2 x Panther 28 RIB
  - Boat and sea rescue training
- Crew exchange/Mentorship lead
Norwegian Society for Sea Rescue, RS, Norway

Support to HRT:
- 1 x 7.5 m RIB, Kalamata
- 1 x 9.3 m RIB, Thessaloniki
- 4 new RIBs, Thessaloniki, Irakleio, Kerkyra, Volos
- Boat and sea rescue training
- SAR training in Norway
- SAR training in Greece
Thank you for your attention!

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