PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF DIRECTIVE 2007/60/EC ON THE ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF FLOOD RISKS IN CONDITIONS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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The purpose of the Directive 2007/60/EC on the Assessment and Management of Flood Risks (Flood Directive) is to prevent or reduce negative consequences of floods by preparing flood risk management plans. These plans should consider individual characteristic of different areas in Europe and propose solutions according to needs and priorities those areas.

In the Czech Republic process of implementation of Flood Directive already started during preparation of this directive. There were defined main steps for implementation: (I) transposition principles of Flood Directive into legal code of the Czech Republic, (II) to develop methodical instrument to fulfil requirement of Directive. Both demanding processes were coordinated by interdepartmental working group led by Ministry of Environment.

The article introduces some of developed methodologies and their results. There is described preliminary flood risk assessment, basic methods for flood risk mapping, preparation of documentation of areas with significant flood risk and flood risk management plans. There are also mentioned obligations connected with reporting of results each steps of Flood Directive implementation.