#### **Emerging Security Challenges Division**



The NATO Science for Peace and Security Programme



## A Multinational Telemedicine System for Emergency Situations

EADRCC Field Exercise Ukraine 2015

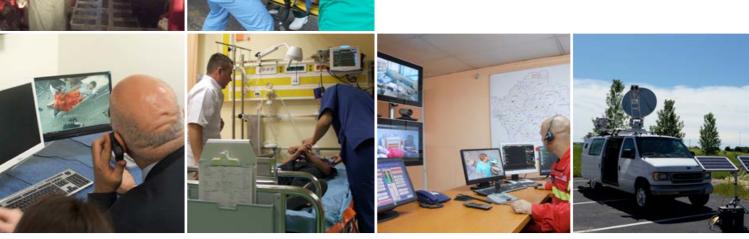
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### Multinational Telemedicine System (MnTS) Project

This NATO SPS project enables telemedicine to cross national borders allowing medical specialists to engage in major disasters/incidents that require specialized expertise or that are in need of first response humanitarian aid.

#### What are the Benefits?

- Improved access to health services and increase survival rates in emergency situations
- **Dual use** potential that spans both military and civilian NATO missions
- From store and forward type of response to a live, real-time incident response programme
- **Training** of medical responders to reduce the time to respond, leveraging technology to bring care to those who need it most as quickly as possible.
- Provides the teams on the ground with **expertise** that is not present at the scene of the disaster.



Through the use of modern communications technologies, a medical specialist will be able to assess the patient, determine the diagnosis and provide **real-time** recommendations to the on-site/in theatre caregiver. Once developed, the MnTS will have a **dualuse** potential both civilian and military including crisis situations such as the conflict in Ukraine. The NATO Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme is supporting this cooperation project between Allied (Romania, United States) and Partner countries (Finland, the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine) through the provision of advanced **equipment** (i.e. kits for connectivity, solar panels)and **training** for experts.

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- Contributes to prepare interested eligible nations for NATO membership
- Offers grants for projects, workshops and training involving scientists and experts from NATO member states and partner countries



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