



Seminar

**Enhancing of Ground and Aerial Forest Fire Suppression Capacities  
in the Republic of Macedonia**

7-9 September 2106, Skopje

*Organizers:*

*Regional Fire Monitoring Center (RFMC), Skopje*

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*US Forest Service (USFS) International Programs (IP), Washington*

**AGENDA**

**Day 1 – 7 September 2016**

Arrival of participants and accommodation

**Day 2 – 8 September 2016**

- 09:00-09:30 Registration of the participants
- 09:30-10:00 Opening remarks
- 10:00-10:30 Introduction of the RFMC, project and aims of the workshop/training (RFMC)
- 10:30-10:45 Coffee break
- 10:45-11:15 Introduction of the International Fire Aviation Guidelines and International and the Manual of Common Rules for Fire Aviation (International Fire Aviation Working Group – IFAWG) (GFMC)
- 11:15-13:00 Guidance of aerial firefighting means from the ground (USFS)  
Use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) in wildfire suppression operations (USFS)





- 13:00-14:30      Lunch
- 14:30-16:00      Training for the ground forces (for joint actions with the aerial forces) (USFS)  
 Training for the aerial forces (for joint actions with the ground forces) (USFS)
- 16:00-16:30      Coffee break
- 16:30-18:30      Tactics for fire suppression with airplanes (especially Air Tractor-802A Fire Boss) (USFS)  
 Tactics for fire suppression with helicopters (especially with Bambi Buckets) (USFS)  
 Safety during the aerial fire suppression (ground and aerial safety) – rules, procedures, some bad and good experiences) (USFS)
- 20:00              Dinner

**Day 3 – 9 September 2016**

- 09:00-14:00      Review of the fire vehicles and visit of the airbase
- 14:00+            Lunch and departure of participants

