**CZECH RED CROSS**

Pledge 1 : The Czech Red Cross (CRC), in cooperation with the Czech Republic´s government, will disseminate knowledge of the IHL within the state administration, in the armed forces and security forces of the Czech Republic, in the Integrated Rescue System and especially in schools and Universities.

The CRC organized regularly courses for his disseminators of IHL. 8 courses took place in 2016 - 2019. Trough “net of disseminators”, in 2015-2018 the CRC organized 699 events focused to dissemination of IHL; these events were attended by 15,395 persons. IHL is a part of curriculum of first aid courses for public.  IHL is also a part of internal education system for staff and members of the CRC.

The CRC has presented IHL on his website [www.cervenykriz.eu](http://www.cervenykriz.eu/) and on special new website for youth [www.mladyzdravotnik.cz](http://www.mladyzdravotnik.cz/)  .

The CRC has also regularly published “Magazine of Young Medic” which is focused to youth interested in the topic of first aid. In this publication the topic of IHL has been also contained.

The CRC also cooperates with Charles University (Faculty of Humanities, Faculty of Law), Palacký University (Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Science, Faculty of Health Science, Faculty of Law), West Bohemian University (Faculty of law), University of Ostrava (Faculty of medicine), Tomas Bata University in Zlin (Faculty of Logistics and Crisis Management), University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice (Faculty of Health and Social Sciences), and Faculty of Safety Engineering of Technical University in Ostrava to assist to include IHL into study on this ones.

In addition to this, the Czech Red Cross cooperated with the Ministry of Defence within dissemination of IHL in the armed forces. In totally, 9 courses were organised (132 participants, 25 lessons/1 course). 2 publications were published; in cooperation with the Ministry of Defence – updated translation of Mulinen´s book “Handbook on the Law of War for Armed Forces” and “The Basic Sources of IHL” containing texts of 4 GC and 3 AP, a review of the IHL norms and ICRC guidelines relating direct participation in hostilities. These publications are used both by the Army of the CR and the Czech Red Cross. Moreover, they are accessible for the public (they were sent to the certain state libraries, University of Defence of Brno, Police Academy of the CR, Faculty of Safety Engineering of Ostrava and all Faculties of Medicine in the CR.

The Palacky University in Olomouc and the CRC in cooperation with ICRC organized an expert meeting on “Health Care in Danger – a Central and Eastern European perspective”. It was a part of the annual conference “Olomouc Days of Emergency Medicine” in 2017. The meeting was attended by a variety of experts from several countries, representatives of civilian and military national authorities, academics, health professionals, and National Red Cross Societies.

The CRC, in cooperation with Association of Medical Rescue Services and Ministry of Health, organized a special course for crisis managers of the Regional Medical Emergency Services Directorate.

Pledge 2 : The CRC will develop its role of the auxiliary organisation of the state administration, incl. its role of the auxiliary medical service of the armed forces, the CRC will participate in the activities of the National Committee for the Implementation of IHL, promote and develop dissemination of the knowledge of IHL and Fundamental Principles.

The CRC participates in activities of the National Committee for Implementation of IHL within cooperation with the state administration. This Committee organised 2 seminars for the staff of the Ministries, state administration and the others at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the CR. The first one was focused on protection of the cultural heritage in armed conflict, while the second one on the protection of the humanitarian workers in armed conflicts. The CRC had presentations in both seminars.

The CRC participates in some exercises within cooperation with the Medical Service of the Army of CR. The CRC acts in the role of make-up artists. The CRC staff makes injuries as real as possible. The CRC regularly participates in the Conference of the Military Medical Service (once a year). The CRC had presentations at each of them – topics: international humanitarian activities of the CRC and IHL.

Pledge 3 : The CRC will support resilience of people and their disaster preparedness by educative programmes within cooperation with the government of the CR.

The CRC (with financial support of the Ministry of Health) launched a new interactive website [www.mladyzdravotnik.cz](http://www.mladyzdravotnik.cz/" \t "_blank) which is also focused for education of (young) population for crisis preparedness. The mobile application „First Aid in Mobile Phone“, which was issued by the CRC also contains a part focused to self-protection in the case of crisis situation.