

## INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS

# Basics of International Humanitarian Response (BIHR)

11-20 January 2021

The UNHCR Regional Centre for Emergency Preparedness | eCentre is pleased to call for applications to a virtual **Basics of International Humanitarian Response Workshop** which will be organized from 11 to 20 January 2021.

### What is this workshop about?

This workshop will provide a comprehensive introduction to the most current international standards and approaches during the preparedness and response phase of a humanitarian emergency – whether caused by armed conflict, human rights violations or natural disasters. Highly interactive and participatory, this event features hands-on skills practice, role plays, facilitated discussion and group work. Participants will have the opportunity to assess their own capacities and better understand the approaches of partner agencies, with a view to strengthening emergency response capacity and collaboration amongst a diverse network of partners.

### Who is this workshop for?

This initiative is designed for UNHCR partners in Asia and the Pacific (including government, NGO, military, civil emergency, UN and regional body actors) who are involved in, or expect to soon be involved in, emergency preparedness and response work in the humanitarian context. Applications from UNHCR staff are encouraged, but the majority of participants will represent a diverse array of partner organizations from throughout the region.

### What are the main themes of the workshop?

- Emergency preparedness
- Emergency assessment basics
- Coordination of large-scale, multi-sectoral emergency responses
- Human rights and protection standards in emergency response
- International standards in sectoral responses (shelter, food, water, sanitation, hygiene, etc)
- Registration and distribution systems in emergencies
- Civil-military relations and humanitarian space issues
- Safety and security in the field, first aid, and stress management
- Humanitarian negotiation and working with the media in emergencies

### What you will gain from attending the workshop?

- A better understanding of international frameworks, standards and effective practices for preparing and responding to humanitarian emergencies
- An appreciation of the importance of coordinating with diverse partners, and experience achieving this through practical exercises
- Enhanced confidence in your ability to work successfully in an emergency
- Strengthened ties with emergency management partners and the UNHCR eCentre network

**How to apply and other details:** If you are interested in attending this workshop, please fill out the attached application form and send it to the eCentre at [ecentre@unhcr.org](mailto:ecentre@unhcr.org). **The application deadline – 31 December 2020.**

**Language:** Please note that this workshop will be conducted in the English language; participants must therefore be highly proficient in written and spoken English language.

**Internet:** strong Internet connectivity is required.