

SAFETY IN THE FIELD (SiF): OPERATING IN COMPLEX SECURITY ENVIRONMENTS

HUA HIN, THAILAND | 11-16 June 2023

UNHCR eCentre is pleased to call for applications for the upcoming Safety in the Field workshop.

What is the SiF about?

Humanitarian and development workers are increasingly called upon to work in complex security environments. Awareness of the threats they face, and how to respond appropriately, can be a matter of life or death for these practitioners. **This field-based exercise addresses basic elements of personal security for staff in the as well as interlinkages between security/safety and Protection.**

This workshop will be facilitated by trainers specialized in adult learning pedagogy, as well as subject matter experts, employing participatory classroom sessions, case studies from participant operations, and the practical application of concepts through exercises and realistic field simulations.

Target training audience

This initiative is designed for junior to mid-level government, NGO and UN professionals engaged in humanitarian or development activities. Priority will be given to those working in high-risk or complex security environments in Asia and the Pacific region. The eCentre trainings aim at building interagency capacity and often include a dynamic mix of professionals from a variety of country operations. **As this event will be conducted in English, participants must be strongly proficient in spoken and written English.**



Main themes of the course

- Nexus between security, preparedness and field operations
- Humanitarian principles and humanitarian space issues
- Linkages between security and protection
- Office and residential security
- Threats associated with travel, crowds and mobs
- Weapons awareness: firearms, mines, UXOs, IEDs
- Hostage survival
- Reducing hostility and tension in others
- Special security concerns for women and girls
- Field communications, map reading, GPS and first aid skills
- Stress management and teamwork

Applying for the course

The application form should be completed, and submissions must be through respective UNHCR country offices, no later than 6 April 2023.

Please note that there is a limited number of slots for each workshop therefore a submitted application does **not** guarantee participation. We apologize for this in advance and will make every effort to consider these applications for future workshops.