



SGBV TASK FORCE

SGBV Emergency Response & Preparedness: Training Opportunities for Responders to the Syria Crisis in Lebanon

Dates and Location

9 -12 April	North
16 - 19 April	Bekaa
23 - 26 April	Mount-Lebanon & South

Responding quickly and effectively to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) in emergencies saves lives and is a critical first step towards facilitating the healing of survivors, and building transformational environments where women and girls are safe to thrive.

Experience in crisis-affected contexts around the world continues to highlight the importance of emergency responders' capacity to operationalize international guidelines and standards that provide the blueprint for responding to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) in emergencies.

In Lebanon, emergency responders to the Syria Crisis continued to face myriad challenges as they sought to ensure life-saving services for survivors of SGBV and to reduce risks to women and children.

The SGBV Task Force with the support of the International Rescue Committee (IRC) and ECHO is pleased to offer training which aimed at better equipping emergency responders from various disciplines to prepare for, launch and support rapid, effective response to SGBV in humanitarian settings.

This initiative, targeting field-based practitioners directly involved in prevention of and response to SGBV as well as staff working on health, psychosocial support, broader protection and registration, prepares responders to strengthen emergency preparedness within their diverse contexts, and to effectively address the specialized needs of Syrian displaced women and girls.

As part of the SGBV Task Force and its related field working groups, trained practitioners will contribute to real-time analysis and to strengthening inter-agency coordination at sub-national level.

TRAINING & SUPPORT OBJECTIVES

By the end of the trainings, participants will have the theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary to lead interventions that prevent and respond to SGBV in emergency settings. In particular, they will be able to:

- ✓ Generate and prioritize recommendations for action, in line with international best practices;
- ✓ Design and initiate interventions to respond to and prevent SGBV in emergencies;
- ✓ And, initiate planning for longer-term SGBV programming as the emergency stabilizes.



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PARTICIPANT PROFILE

The course targets humanitarian personnel and government counterparts directly involved in the coordination of the response to the Syria Crisis. Participants should have practical experience of field-based programming on SGBV prevention and response. Participants with health, social work, protection/registration backgrounds are also welcome.

Minimum requirements:

- ✓ Programmatic experience in the fields of SGBV, child protection, protection/registration, mental health and psychosocial support, health and reproductive health in emergencies;
- ✓ Experience carrying out assessments and identifying the needs of crisis-affected populations;
- ✓ Ability to follow and participate to conversation in English (*Participants will have the opportunity to ask for clarification/raise questions in Arabic or French but no simultaneous translation will be provided*).

The maximum number of participants accepted will be 25 per training. Participants will be expected to attend all sessions and to actively participate in exercises and discussions.

REGISTRATION: Please send application (completed registration form and CV) to the SGBV Task Force Focal Point in your area of operation (*see contact below*). For any additional information on this initiative, you can contact Emmanuelle Compingt, SGBV Task Force Coordinator (compingt@unhcr.org).

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COST OF TRAINING: The IRC will cover the costs of the venue and participant food during the course.

VENUE: The specific training venues are to be determined.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: All applications must be received by 18 March 2013. Selected participants will be notified by 22 March 2013.

