







Background

Over the last ten years, disasters have killed nearly a million people and affected 2 billion world-wide. They are among the largest threats to human security and development facing the world today. Is international law stepping up? Are humanitarian actors, international/national institutions and scholars ready to face legal and institutional challenges raised by disasters? This 5-days course will provide participants with a comprehensive overview of existing international law and key regulatory issues related to the prevention and management of natural and man-made disasters.

Structure of the course

Through a mixture of lectures, practical exercises and interactive group works, this 5-days course, jointly organized by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) Disaster Law Programme, the International Institute of Humanitarian Law in Sanremo, and high-profile academics, will provide a dynamic and tailored learning environment. Main topics will include: Key legal issues in disaster management; Legal and operational challenges in relief operations; Human rights protection in disaster-settings; Disaster risk reduction and climate change law; The international coordination system for humanitarian assistance; Regional approaches to disaster law; Health emergencies; Protection of cultural property; Migration issues in disasters.

Faculty

Speakers will include Dr. Eduardo Valencia-Ospina (Member of the International Law Commission, Former Special Rapporteur on the Protection of Persons in the Event of Disasters), Prof. Walter Kälin (Envoy to the Chair, Platform on Disaster Displacement, Former Representative of the UN Secretary-General on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons) along with other high-level speakers from academia and distinguished experts from key stakeholders such as the IFRC and International Organizations.

Target audience

Staff of governments, international and regional organizations, NGOs, Red Cross/Red Crescent National Societies, academics, graduate and post-graduate students with an interest on humanitarian assistance and disaster management issues.

Fee: € 600. Fee include the participation to the 5-days course, course materials, lunches and coffee breaks, reception drink and farewell dinner, course certificate. A very small number of scholarships are available for the IDL course thanks to the generous support of the IFRC and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development as detailed in the website.

Registration deadline: 17th May 2019 (max. 35 participants)

More information and registration at

http://iihl.org/international-disaster-law/7th-international-disaster-law-course/