

# **HUMANITARIAN LEADERSHIP SNAPSHOT**

**July 2024** 

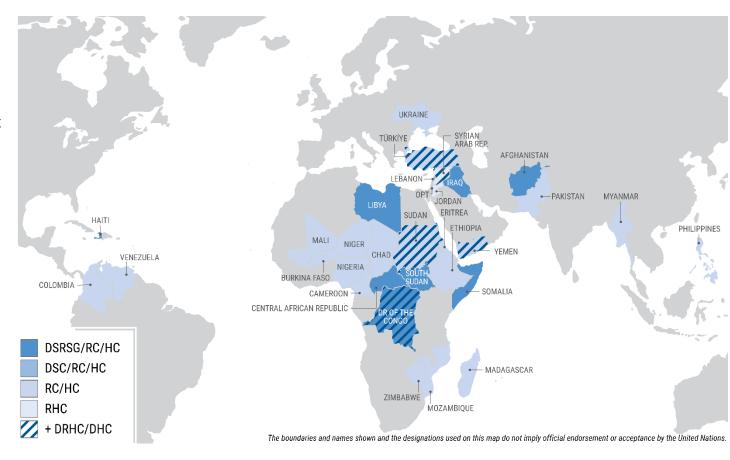
### **OVERVIEW**

There are currently 34 humanitarian leaders coordinating humanitarian response in 29 countries. This includes 10 Deputy Special Representatives of the Secretary-General/Resident Coordinators/Humanitarian Coordinators (DSRSG/RC/HC) and Deputy Special Coordinators/RC/HCs, 1 Regional HC (RHC), and 18 RC/HCs. This also includes 5 Deputy HCs (DHCs).

## **HUMANITARIAN COORDINATORS** ON THE MOVE

Kenya was de-hatted.

Syria Crisis: Mr. Ramanathan Balakrishnan was designated as RHC.





Number of countries with presence of humanitarian leaders



Number of humanitarian leaders currently supporting operations



Number of humanitarian leaders who are female - 29% of total

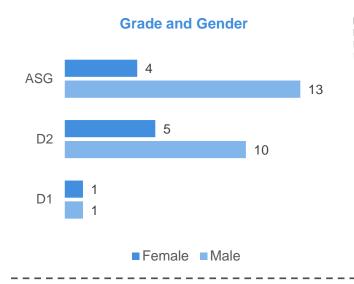


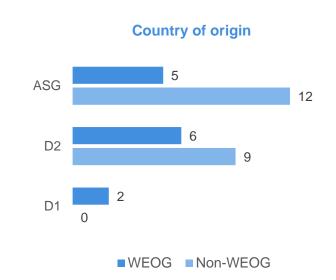
Number of humanitarian leaders who originate from countries historically underrepresented - 61% of total

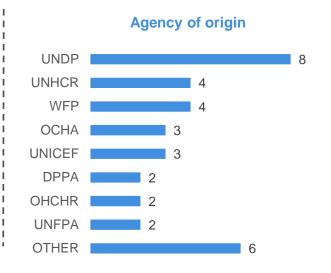


Number of Deputy **Humanitarian Coordinators** 

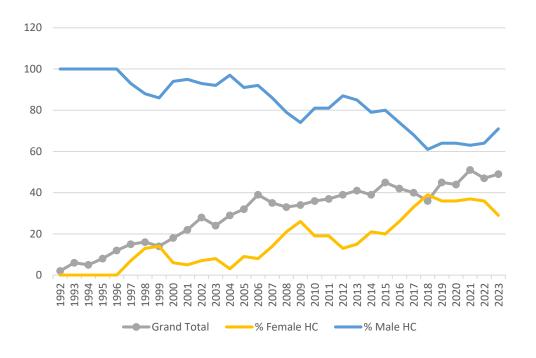
#### **HUMANITARIAN LEADERSHIP CHARACTERISTICS**

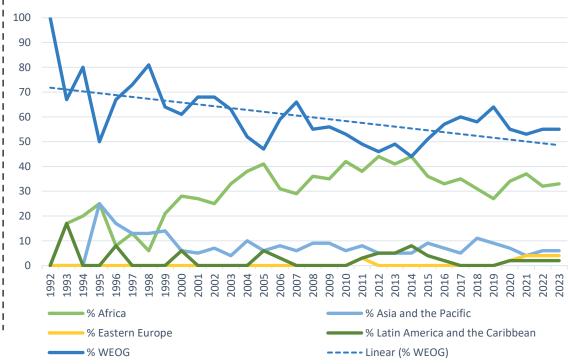






### **HUMANITARIAN LEADERSHIP TRENDS**





## **Monthly Highlight on Humanitarian Leadership**

## **Emergency Response Leadership Simulation**

The first **Emergency Response Leadership Simulation**, held from 24 to 25 June, was an online event based on role plays and peer-learning methodology. During the two days, 12 first-time Resident Coordinators (RCs) from across the globe had the opportunity to interact with and learn from the experience of senior current and former RCs. The faculty team included OCHA and DCO colleagues. The sessions were based on the "Leading an Emergency Response – a concise guide for the UN RC".

### **Purpose**

The objective of the simulation is to familiarize first-time Resident Coordinators with the first 48 hours of a sudden onset disaster. The simulation prepared the attending RCs to coordinate humanitarian responses promptly and effectively, in support of national efforts. The sessions allowed a safe space for RCs to exchange on their challenges and successes in operations and strengthened their network and collaboration with other RCs with multiple experience level.

#### **Outcomes**

The Emergency Response Leadership Simulation received very positive feedback from RCs, who appreciated the structure, the realistic scenario, and most importantly the opportunity to engage in small groups with experienced RCs and seasoned humanitarians.

### **Going Forward**

An in-person session of the Simulation will be held in New York during the second semester of 2024, in coordination with DCO.

For more information on the Simulation, please send an email to: <a href="mailto:hlss@un.org">hlss@un.org</a>

### LIST OF HUMANITARIAN LEADERS

### DSRSG/RC/HC, DSC/RC/HC, RC/HC

	Country	<b>Duty Station</b>	Name	Position
1	Afghanistan	Kabul	Indrika Ratwatte	DSRSG/RC/ HC
2	Burkina Faso	Ouagadougou	Alain Akpadji	RC/HC OiC
3	Cameroon	Yaoundé	Siaka Coulibaly	RC/HC a.i.
4	Central African Republic	Bangui	Mohamed Ag Ayoya	DSRSG/RC/ HC
5	Chad	N'Djamena	François Batalingaya	RC/HC
6	Colombia	Bogota	Mireia Villar Forner	RC/HC
7	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Kinshasa	Bruno Lemarquis	DSRSG/RC/ HC
8	Eritrea	Asmara	Nahla Valji	RC/HC
9	Ethiopia	Addis Ababa	Ramiz Alakbarov	RC/HC
10	Haiti	Port-au-Prince	Ulrika Ulfsdotter Richardson	DSRSG/RC/ HC
11	Iraq	Baghdad	Ghulam Isaczai	DSRSG/RC/ HC
12	Lebanon	Beirut	Imran Riza	DSC/RC/HC
13	Libya	Tripoli	Georgette Gagnon	DSRSG/RC/ HC
14	Madagascar	Antananarivo	Issa Sanogo	RC/HC
15	Mali	Bamako	Alain Noudéhou	RC/HC
16	Mozambique	Maputo	Catherine Sozi	RC/HC
17	Myanmar	Yangon	Marcoluigi Corsi	RC/HC OiC
18	Niger	Niamey	Nicole Kouassi	RC/HC OiC
19	Nigeria	Abuja	Mohamed Fall	RC/HC

20	OPT	Jerusalem	Muhannad Hadi	DSC/RC/HC
21	Pakistan	Islamabad	Mohamed Yahya	RC/HC
22	Philippines	Manila	Gustavo Gonzalez	RC/HC
23	Somalia	Mogadishu	George Conway	DSRSG/RC/ HC
24	South Sudan	Juba	Anita Kiki Gbeho	DSRSG/RC/ HC
25	Sudan	Khartoum	Clementine Nkweta- Salami	RC/HC
26	Syrian Arab Republic	Damascus	Adam Abdelmoula	RC/HC
27	Ukraine	Kyiv	Denise Brown	RC/HC
28	Venezuela	Caracas	Gianluca Rampolla del Tindaro	RC/HC
29	Yemen	Sana'a	Julien Harneis	RC/HC
30	Zimbabwe	Harare	Edward Kallon	RC/HC

### **DEPUTY Regional Humanitarian Coordinators**

	Country	<b>Duty Station</b>	Name	Position
31	Syrian Arab Republic	Gaziantep	David Carden	DRHC

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32	OPT	Gaza	Scott Anderson	DHC
33	Sudan	Darfur	Toby Harward	DHC
34	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Goma	Suzanna Tkalec	DHC
35	Yemen	Aden	Diego Zorrilla	DHC



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## **Highlight from the Handbook for Humanitarian Coordinators**

Every month, HLSS will bring forward highlights from the "Handbook for Humanitarian Coordinators" which has been updated in 2023 and published in February 2024. The Handbook outlines the roles and responsibilities of the RC, whether designated as a HC or not, and those of the HC in leading and coordinating inter-agency humanitarian action in support of the host Government and local actors. This month's highlight focuses on **Putting People First**.



Placing people at the heart of humanitarian action is critical for supporting principled action, ensuring access for all to assistance and protection, addressing violations and enhancing accountability. In leading and coordinating humanitarian action, the HC is responsible for ensuring that protection and accountability are at the forefront of humanitarian response and preparedness. HCs also play a critical role in ensuring that the fundamental tenets of humanitarian action are factored into wider programming — both in humanitarian response and preparedness efforts.

## **Key Roles of the HC**

- Centrality of Protection
- Prioritizing Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA)
- Accountability to Affected People (AAP)
- Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women and Girls
- Addressing the Diversity of Needs
- Disability Inclusion
- Age
- Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS)
- Environment and Climate Change

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## **Centrality of Protection**

In their Statement on the Centrality of Protection in 2013 and the IASC Policy on Protection in Humanitarian Action in 2016, the IASC Principals affirmed that all humanitarian actors have a responsibility to place protection at the centre of humanitarian action.

The policy emphasizes the importance of leadership on protection by the HC and HCT, and it recommends the process for its implementation at the country level, outlining steps for humanitarian actors to engage collectively to achieve meaningful protection outcomes that reduce the risks people experience in humanitarian crises. The policy complements other initiatives in support of protection, including IASC commitments related to PSEA, Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, AAP, and Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities.

Click <u>here</u> to access the complete Handbook.



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#### **RESOURCES**

**Inter-Agency Standing Committee** 

OCHA Humanitarian Leadership Strengthening

<u>Leadership in Humanitarian Action: Handbook for Humanitarian</u> Coordinators

LEADING AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE: A Concise Guide for the UN

**Resident Coordinator** 

**RC/HC Talent Pipeline** 

Humanitarian Leadership stories

#### **CREDITS**

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<sup>\*</sup>Charts and lists on leadership characteristics include DSRSG/RC/HCs, RC/HCs, RHCs, DRHCs, DHCs, HCs and ad interim HCs designated by the ERC. HC OIC arrangements are not included.