

ICVA Bulletin

Highlights from July & August 2022



A GLOBAL NGO NETWORK
FOR PRINCIPLED AND EFFECTIVE
HUMANITARIAN ACTION

Dear Readers,

In this bulletin, we share the most recent news related to our focus areas of forced migration, financing, coordination; our transformations of champion principled humanitarian action, address impact of climate change on humanitarian action, be globally distributed and locally rooted, be diverse, inclusive and live our values, proactively engage in agile collaborative partnerships; and updates from our regional hubs.

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Happy Reading!

Message from Executive Director

A Call for More Investment in Anticipatory Action

Today, Pakistan's historic floods have inundated a third of the country, affecting 33 million people. Across the Horn of Africa, 20.5 million people are facing a dire and entirely avoidable hunger crisis as the region faces one of the worst droughts in recent decades.

One year ago, almost to the day, NGOs, governments, aid agencies, international financial institutions, and private-sector companies made [new pledges of anticipatory financing and programming](#) worth tens of million and committed to acting early to mitigate the effects of crises.

Anticipatory action has increasingly moved from being niche and technical to the recognition that it should become mainstream and without delay. If we manage to take steps to protect people before a disaster strikes based on early warning or forecasts, we would be reducing the humanitarian needs.

The latest [State of the Humanitarian System](#) study launched 7 September reports that "the rise of anticipatory and early action is also one of the most significant shifts observed in the system."

Anticipatory action has moved higher on the agenda of the humanitarian response sector. It is well documented that early warning forecasts and projections have improved and are increasingly credible. However, despite the capacity of the system, predictions are at times downplayed or ignored and triggering anticipatory action is fraught with difficulties.

With the effects of climate change becoming more and more destructive, acting early is transformative for our sector as the humanitarian financing gap keeps growing.

The momentum to embrace an anticipatory action approach in aid response goes with the challenges that stand in the way. The NGO community monitors the [2021 anticipatory action pledges](#) that signaled a new urgency in the push for anticipatory action, the practice of providing financing and aid activities based on risk triggers to mitigate the effects of a disaster before it hits.

Today, disasters are hitting in devastating manners. If the world is confronted to discussing famine declarations or confronted with insufficient preparedness and cutting risks due to massive floods, we have then failed in sharing responsibility in shrinking the needs.

We have various tools that help us anticipate and prepare to mitigate the risk. Let's use them efficiently, while also investing further in anticipatory action.

Ignacio Packer
Executive Director | ICVA

ICVA Updates



ICVA Annual Conference

17 March 2023

 Maison de la Paix, Geneva

Theme:

Quality Humanitarian Financing

1. Save the Date: ICVA Annual Conference 17 March 2023

The 2023 ICVA Annual Conference will be held on Friday 17 March at Maison de la Paix, Geneva. The theme of this year's event is quality humanitarian financing. The day before, 16 March 2023, will be the ICVA Membership Day. More information to be shared soon.

2. Meet our New Members

ICVA is growing and we are pleased to announce that the following organizations are now members of the ICVA network:

- [NGO-federatie](#) and [Acodev](#), Belgium
- [Direct Aid Society](#), Kuwait
- [International Refugee Assistance Project- IRAP](#), USA
- [International Water Well Aid Association – UKYSD/ IWWAA](#), Turkey
- [Foro de Organizaciones Humanitarias](#), Colombia

We look forward to working with them to make humanitarian action more principled and effective. [Learn more about our members.](#)

3. ICVA Staff Updates:

We are delighted to introduce and welcome our new incoming Chief Operating Officer, member of the ICVA Senior Management Team, Ms Susan Wilding. Susan joined us in August and is based in Geneva.

We announce the departure of Mr Marco Rotelli, Regional Representative for Africa since 2016, who has now taken a new role as Deputy Humanitarian Coordinator in Ukraine. We are grateful for the wonderful six years of hard work and dedication he gave ICVA and wish him the best in all his endeavors.

4. We are Hiring

We are currently looking to fill the position of a Representative for ICVA Eastern and Southern Africa. Come and join a dynamic team working to make humanitarian action more principled and effective. Check out [more information](#) about the position and apply before 11 September.

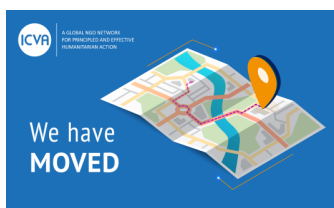
5. The Geneva Humanitarian Hub

A new Geneva Humanitarian Hub was launched on 1 July 2022.

This exciting initiative has been driven by a desire for even greater collaboration between organizations to address the increasing and complex humanitarian challenges we are trying to address. This new co-working space will strengthen interactions and create synergies between the humanitarian actors based in Geneva to increase our impact, whilst reducing our operational costs.

The vision is a space where a community of humanitarian actors foster collaboration and innovation. The initial organizations who have come together in this collaborative venture are the Norwegian Refugee Council, the Danish Refugee Council (and its partners Joint IDP Profiling Service, Mixed Migration Centre, H2H Network), the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS) Alliance, the International Council of Voluntary Agencies (ICVA), Save the Children, the Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (IDMC) and Oxfam International.

ICVA in Geneva has therefore moved to the Humanitarian Hub.



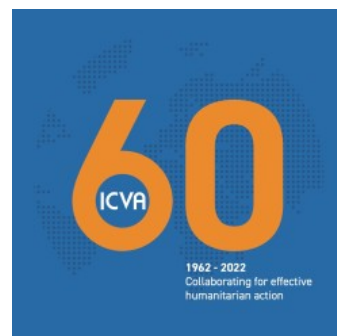
Our New Address
Humanitarian Hub,
La Voie-Creuse 16 (5th floor), 1202 Geneva, Switzerland

Please update our information in your records.

6. ICVA's History Page, ICVA@60

The page contains a collection of publications, podcasts, events around our 60 years of making humanitarian action more effective and principled.

[Check it](#)



Forced Migration

7. Global Compact on Refugees (GRF)

Fulfilling its role as member of the [NGO Reference Group for the 2023 Global Refugee Forum \(GRF\)](#), ICVA has been disseminating information and collecting suggestions and feedback from its membership about the process leading to the second GRF. This includes encouraging NGOs to provide comments and inputs on the [2023 GRF Proposed Concept Note](#) through a dedicated ongoing UNHCR [survey](#) and a related online form designed to collect [expressions of interest](#) in areas where stakeholders would like to engage in mobilizing support and pledges in preparation for the next GRF. In August, UNHCR also released the final version of the [Third Country Solutions for Refugees: Roadmap 2030](#), the successor process to the Compact's [Three-Year Strategy on Resettlement and Complementary Pathways \(2019-2021\)](#). This Roadmap was developed through a multi-stakeholder process, including ICVA and some of its members. French, Spanish, and Arabic versions of the Roadmap document will also be made available.

8. Solutions to Internal Displacement

As part of their engagement in the follow-up to the High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement, on 14 July, ICVA and InterAction organized an exchange between their members and the recently appointed Special Adviser on Solutions to Internal Displacement, Mr. Robert Piper. This first meeting aimed to exchange on the Special Adviser's role and priorities. Building on [earlier feedback](#), NGOs emphasized specific areas of work to ensure the implementation of [the UN Secretary-General Action Agenda](#) notably through governments' ownership and leadership on internal displacement solutions. Key takeaways notes have been circulated to members. InterAction and ICVA will continue to facilitate cooperation and synergies.

- For more information, please contact: jerome.elie@icvanetwork.org and loise.dairocheteau@icvanetwork.org.

9. Migrants in Vulnerable Situations

UN Special Rapporteur in the field of Cultural Rights visit to Germany

Alexandra Xanthaki, the Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights, is currently planning her upcoming visit to Germany, which will take place between 12 and 22 September 2022. In this context, she is presently gathering information to get a better understanding of the issues at stake in the field of cultural rights, the persons (specialists, academics, artists, decision makers) and organisations (civil society, institutions facilitating participation in cultural life, local organisations) to meet and the place to eventually consider visiting. The Special Rapporteur has identified three preliminary themes for the visit. They include cultural rights of migrants, memorialization and expression of diversity including that which relates to LGBT+ or gender diverse populations. She is open to suggestions on other areas you believe should be considered as well.

Financing

10. Humanitarian Finance Initiatives and the Grand Bargain 2.0 Briefing

The briefing will be done by Jeremy Rempel, ICVA's Head of Humanitarian Finance, on 13 September, with NGO Secretariat and members of the NGO fora in Ethiopia, Somalia, South Sudan and Sudan. This meeting will be a follow up of the last year briefing, with an opportunity to hear highlights on global updates and progress on Humanitarian Finance initiatives and the Grand Bargain 2.0. There will be an opportunity to share experiences, challenges and initiatives, with peers in the region.

- For more information, please contact advocacysupport@icvanetwork.org.

Coordination

11. Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC)

System-Wide Scale Up Activation for the Humanitarian Response in Somalia

A team of senior UN and NGO (ICVA and World Vision International) representatives from the IASC Emergency Directors Group (EDG) visited Somalia from 24 to 28 July 2022 to identify gaps, challenges and immediate priorities for operational and strategic support relating to the ongoing drought response. Mission objectives also included increasing awareness around the situation and mobilizing additional resources and capacities to enable the further scaling up of the response, with a particular focus on sub-national level. The team engaged with affected people, frontline humanitarian workers and local officials in Bardheere in Jubaland State and Baidoa in South West State, as well as with UN and NGO leadership and humanitarian donors in Mogadishu.

Following the mission, the EDG recommended to the IASC Principals to activate a System-Wide Scale Up for the response. The recommendation was based on the current scale of the needs, the anticipated continuation of the drought into 2023, the complexity of the operational challenges and the importance of an integrated response at scale to meet urgent and increasing needs. The IASC Principals met on 11 August and agreed to declare the Scale-Up Activation immediately.

On 29 July, ICVA conducted a debrief on the EDG mission for NGOs in Somalia and at regional and global levels. On 25 August, members of the EDG mission team conducted a follow-up briefing with humanitarian donor representatives from capital level.

- For more information, contact jeremy.wellard@icvanetwork.org.

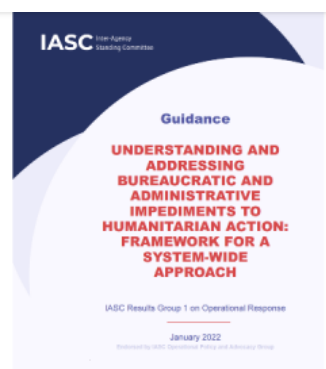
IASC Principals

IASC Principals in their ad hoc meeting on Somalia on 11 August, took additional follow-up actions of declaring the system-wide emergency activation procedures (IASC Scale-Up) in Somalia effective immediately. Follow-up actions to strengthen efforts, capacities and resources to address Protection, Gender-Based Violence, and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in the initial phase of the response and report back on progress in these areas as well as focus on reinforcing sub-national capacity and delivery, including by getting funds fast and at scale to front line responders.

IASC Principals will reconvene the week of 12 September to discuss progress in Somalia and Horn of Africa.

Statement by Principals of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee on Famine in Somalia

ICVA IASC principals signed an IASC [statement](#) urging all actors to facilitate immediate and safe access for humanitarian operations. The principals also appeal to donors to provide immediate, flexible funding to enable humanitarian agencies on the ground to rapidly scale up and prevent more deaths, protect livelihoods and avert a deepening catastrophe.



12. Humanitarian Access and Advocacy

The IASC Taskforce 3 on Preserving Humanitarian Access and Space meeting for August was postponed until September. The Bureaucratic and Administrative subgroup met to discuss the dissemination, socialization and monitoring of the [IASC Framework](#) on Understanding and Addressing Bureaucratic and Administrative impediments.

ICVA held its inaugural meeting of the Humanitarian Access Working Group in August to discuss ICVA's approach to influencing humanitarian access and space. The Working Group provides ICVA members with a dedicated NGO space to discuss and feed into the policy work of the IASC Taskforce 3 and share best practices and research in addressing humanitarian access impediments.

- For more information, contact eileen.morrow@icvanetwork.org.

13. Vaccine Delivery Report

The worldwide increase in COVID-19 cases has continued throughout July, with [reports](#) showing that only 59 out of 194 WHO member states have vaccinated more than 70% of their population. Although there has been some progress, eleven countries including eight with humanitarian response plans remain below 10% vaccination coverage, leaving crisis affected populations vulnerable to this disease.

The COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Partnership is seeking technical support from NGOs to develop One Plans and One Budgets in a range of contexts.

- For more information, contact eileen.morrow@icvanetwork.org.
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Transforming our Network

14. Champion Principled Humanitarian Action

Civic Space and Covid – lessons Learnt and Looking Ahead

CIVICUS, Christian Aid and ACT Alliance will conduct an online learning event on 19 September around the impact of Covid on civic space. Panelists will share ideas and plans for countering the shrinking civic space trend, supporting CSOs and alliances, looking for ways to fund civil society and to make digital space more inclusive. Check out useful [resources that will be referenced and registration](#) information.

- For more information see ICVA's [Civil Society Space](#) webpage or contact: nishanie.jayamaha@icvanetwork.org.

15. Address Impact of Climate Change on Humanitarian Action



ICVA Partners with Anticipation Hub

We are pleased to announce that ICVA has joined the [Anticipation Hub](#) which was launched in December 2020 as a platform facilitating knowledge exchange, learning, guidance, and advocacy around anticipatory action both virtually and in-person. Their vision, aims and values are further detailed in their [3-year strategy](#).

- If you wish to connect with the Anticipation Hub and find out more information, please contact nishanie.jayamaha@icvanetwork.org.

The banner features a background image of three people in a tent. Overlaid text includes: "25 August 2022 14:00 - 16:00 (CEST)" in a green box; ICVA and PHAP logos in a blue and white box; the title "The Climate Charter – A Practical Guide: Session 7 Understanding Climate Change Loss and Damage and Links to Humanitarian Action" in white text on a green background; and the URL "phap.org/25aug2022" in white text on a green background. A small photo credit "Photo: UN Women Asia and the Pacific" is at the bottom left.

On 25 August, ICVA and PHAP held this webinar which is part of the ongoing learning series on Climate and Humanitarian Action. Speakers shared their perspectives on what Loss and Damage really means and how humanitarian actors can contribute to and engage in the topic and ways forward to COP27. They also explored the losses and damages experienced by individuals, communities, and governments and how adequate funding for loss and damage could reduce the impact of short-term, protracted, and slow onset crises.

Check out the webinar recording, speakers' PowerPoint presentations and useful resources on our [website](#).

[Listen and watch the webinar recording](#)

Also check [recordings of previous webinars](#) in this learning series.

- For more information visit ICVA's [Climate and Environment webpage](#), or contact nishanie.jayamaha@icvanetwork.org.

16. Be Globally Distributed and Locally Rooted

ICVA Women's Humanitarian Leadership Training Programmes for Local and National Women-Led NGOs (WLO) and Local CSOs in MENA, Asia and Africa Regions

ICVA Women's Humanitarian Leadership Training programmes for local and national WLO and local CSOs in the selected regions will commence in October – November 2022 in MENA region followed by other patch of training in Asia and Africa regions. The training will focus on strengthening leadership, collective advocacy, donor and partner engagement and policy influence, and other related subjects tailored to the participants needs and expectations.

Three training programmes will be organized per targeted region serving as a regional platform to have a discussion on concrete thematic subjects, inviting different stakeholders and decision makers to attend and participate in the discussion. This training and learning programme will serve as an opportunity of mutual learning and exchange, the participants from WLO in each region will be given the space to present their stories, progress, and exchange on how they have been able to address certain challenges in their own country context to their peers at the regional workshop.

Localization Baseline Initiative in Yemen

The local CSO Network in Yemen that is led by ICVA local members in the region are currently reviewing the first draft of the localization baselining report by the local CSO actors. The main objective of the localization baselining is to collate inputs for advocacy with different partners to highlight specific areas where support is needed to move localization forward and enable tracking progress against localization commitments at local and national levels.

- For more information or questions, please contact eman.ismail@icvanetwork.org.

17. Be Diverse, Inclusive and Live our Values

Child Rights

UN Consulting with Civil Society on Mainstreaming Child Rights

In follow up to the UN Secretary General (SG) Report '[Our Common Agenda](#)' and [the Call to Action for Human Rights](#) and as result of advocacy by the Child Rights Connect, the UN SG decided to draft a Guidance Note on mainstreaming the right of the child in all UN Pillars of work. Check out more details on the [process of developing the Guidance Note](#). ICVA strongly encourages its members and other stakeholders working for and with children in humanitarian contexts to participate and contribute to the process. You can participate in the online survey in [English](#), [French](#), [Spanish](#) before 21st September 2022.

Safeguarding

2022 PSEA Outreach and Communication Fund

Throughout the month of July, the PSEA Outreach and Communication Fund Steering Committee reviewed applications and selected 15 local NGOs from 15 countries that will receive funding to run their projects until the end of year. The criteria for selection were strict, ensuring geographic coverage and diversity in target groups.

- For more information, contact alon.plato@icvanetwork.org.

Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub (RSH)

Ask an Expert for Jordan, Yemen, and Syria

The Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub of which ICVA is a [member of the consortium](#), has launched in MENA an [Ask an expert service](#), where local, less resourced CSOs from the three hubs can seek support in safeguarding. Watch this [video](#) to know more about the "Ask an Expert Service." All inquiries are treated as confidential.

Learning Session on Child Safeguarding

RSH South Asia team in collaboration with NGO platform organized a learning session on 30 August around child safeguarding. Focus was on how a humanitarian agency can ensure the safeguarding measures considering four key areas of policies, prevention, reporting and response.

- For more information, contact alon.plato@icvanetwork.org or kriss.uyoga@icvanetwork.org.

Region Specific

18. Africa

Changes in ICVA Representation in Africa

ICVA is committed to serving its members and partners better. As such, the network is dividing the regional scope of the Africa Representation position with two functions. There will be one representation for West and Central Africa, with Ms. Adeline Benita as representative based in Dakar, Senegal, and a representation for Eastern and Southern

Africa with Mr. Addis Tesfa, ICVA Deputy Representative for Africa taking the role ad interim based in Nairobi, Kenya. The two ICVA Representatives for Africa will liaise and coordinate on regional approaches that involve the regions, refugees situations, countries that are coordinated by different offices of the UN and members, Africa Union and other intergovernmental bodies or initiatives.

Eastern and Southern Africa

Somalia NGO Consortium (SNC)- Announcing a New Webinar Series on Climate Adaptive Responses

On 5 July, SNC hosted an event on “What does climate change look like in Somalia, and what actions can be taken during the drought”. The aim was to present the findings of a [recent assessment](#) on climate change outcomes for Somalia and to discuss how and why this is important for aid actors responding to the current crisis. From this first event, it emerged that there is a wide range of existing climate change-related projects and opportunities for making current and future programming more ‘climate change sensitive and adaptive’. These opportunities cut across stabilization, humanitarian, and development programming. However, there is little knowledge and learning being shared across the ‘Nexus’ and SNC members expressed interest to learn more about how and when to use climate adaptive approaches. Based on these findings, SNC in collaboration with Building Resilient Communities in Somalia and Centre for Humanitarian Change are offering a series of online weekly webinars around the theme of climate adaptive programming. For more information, please contact addis.tesfa@icvanetwork.org.

West and Central Africa

Stabilization Dialogue between UNDP and Humanitarian Actors

The stabilization dialogue is ongoing and on 25 August there was a specific session on Returns led by UNHCR and UNDP with the participation of Nigeria, Niger and Cameroon in order to share experiences on coordination initiatives, tools and approaches.

Regional IASC (RIASC)

The RIASC members met on 30 August to discuss the deteriorating situation in coastal countries. They identified actions that the region could undertake to support in the preparation and anticipation of the humanitarian response.

The Sahel Regional Fund (SRF)

The SRF hosted by DRC and funded by FCDO, held its first board meeting to work on the governance system.

- For more information or to be included in the ICVA Africa Working Group List, please connect with addis.tesfa@icvanetwork.org or adeline.benita@icvanetwork.org.

Online Training – Implementing Safe Programmes – Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Sexual Harassment (SEAH)

ICVA with Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub organized a half day workshop for 35 members of the NGO Fora and networks in Ethiopia, Somalia, South Sudan and Sudan on 24 August 2022. Key aim of the training was to increase understanding around the basics of safeguarding against SEAH and describe the meaning of the term safe programming and the programme management cycle, in relation to organizational safeguarding considerations.

- For more information, please contact advocacysupport@icvanetwork.org.

19. Asia and the Pacific

ICVA Members Dialogue: Humanitarian Space Shrinking in Asia Pacific

In recent years, bureaucratic and administrative restrictions on NGO and CSO operations have been alarmingly on the rise. As a coping mechanism, some NGOs are changing their organizational structure or reducing the overall scope of their work and geographical presence. ICVA organized a member's dialogue to identify the type and scale of NGOs restrictions, real/perceived, affecting humanitarian action and shared practices and resources that members can use to navigate and address challenges.

Regional Humanitarian Partnership Week- Expression of Interest Submissions

ADRRN, OCHA, CWSA and ICVA are organizing a face-to-face regional humanitarian partnership week on 9-14 December. ICVA is calling for [expressions of interest](#) and [registration](#) to organize sessions based on three broad themes by 30th September 2022. Sessions are anticipated to contribute to the regional dialogue and highlight opportunities for collaboration and good practices.

- For more information about ICVA's work in Asia and Pacific, contact keya.sahachaudhury@icvanetwork.org or asma.saleem@icvanetwork.org.

20. Latin America Region

NGO Fora Exchange Workshop in LATAM and the Caribbean Region

On 19-21 September, ICVA will hold an exchange between Fora in the region in Bogotá Colombia. The aim of this event is to foster links and enable the exchange of information among the NGO Networks (local and international) in Latin America and the Caribbean. Discussions will feature the role of NGO Fora in humanitarian coordination, collective advocacy on global and local levels, localization, advancing the role of local actors, principled partnership and linking humanitarian and development responses.

- For more information or to be included in the ICVA Latam Mailing List, contact lina.gomez@icvanetwork.org.

21. MENA

ADVANCING NEXUS IN THE MENA REGION BREAKING THE SILOS

RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION
OF THE STATE OF HUMANITARIAN
DEVELOPMENT-PEACE (HDP) NEXUS
IN THE MENA REGION

July 2022



New ICVA Publication: Advancing NEXUS in the MENA Region: Breaking the Silos

The [research](#) aims to better understand the current stage of the operationalization of the HDP NEXUS approach in select countries throughout MENA including: Iraq, Syria, Syria cross-border from Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Yemen, and Libya. It documents policy changes and situational changes that reflect the NEXUS approach. The research also sheds light on good practices and good examples that various actors can use to develop guiding tools and strategic thinking around inclusion of NEXUS approaches in their strategies and programs. Available in English and Arabic.

[Read the report](#)

The Annual 3RP Regional Planning Workshop in Jordan

The annual and regional 3RP workshop will take place between 13-15 September 2022 in Amman. The three day event will have discussions around: review of the 3RP Regional Evaluation conducted earlier this year followed by a discussion on how best to integrate the evaluation recommendations in the 2023 planning and implement them accordingly, 2023 3RP planning process, and annual Syria HRP/3RP joint workshop.

ICVA MENA Regional Representative will participate in the workshop and moderate the discussion on Nexus. Feel free to communicate any inputs and refer any question to Eman Ismail at eman.ismail@icvanetwork.org.

Regional Capacity Development and Knowledge Sharing Event on the Humanitarian Development and Peace Nexus (HDPN)

This event was organized by a Regional Issue-Based-Coalition on the Humanitarian Development and Peace Nexus (IBC HDPN) in Arab Region in collaboration with the Global Nexus Academy on 18 – 21 July. It brought together actors from across the three pillars to advance a common understanding of nexus approaches and deep dive into what the overarching issues to collectively act upon to bring crisis-affected countries back on track to achieve sustainable development and peace. ICVA Deputy Regional Representative moderated the kick-off panel discussion on how to make the NEXUS work with different stakeholders.

NGO Fora Support Program – NGO Fora Capacity Fund

ICVA's NGO Fora Capacity Fund aims at supporting NGO fora effectiveness, their commitment to service delivery and the quality of their coordination platform for information exchange. The 2022- 2023 grants aim at specifically supporting NGO fora initiatives aimed at addressing issues related to humanitarian principles and access through improved coordination. Four NGO Fora in MENA are accessing this fund: NGO Coordination Committee for Iraq; Syrian Networks League (Turkey-Syria); Lebanon Humanitarian and development Forum (Lebanon); and The Libya INGO forum (Libya).

- For more information or to be included in the ICVA MENA Mailing List, please connect with eman.ismail@icvanetwork.org or stephanie.yousef@icvanetwork.org.

Learning Opportunities

22. Mobile Guide – Risk Management and Funding in Humanitarian Partnerships

This [free course](#) was created by ICVA in partnership with DisasterReady to help you learn best practices for managing operational challenges and risks affecting funding partnerships. To access the course, create your free DisasterReady account, log in, and search for "Risk Management and Funding Partnerships."

23. Series of Videos on Mental Health

DisasterReady, in collaboration with The KonTerra Group, have developed a series of free videos on mental health topics to support refugees, internally displaced people, host families, humanitarians, and at-risk communities in Ukraine and neighboring countries. Access the videos on YouTube in [Ukrainian](#), [Polish](#), [Russian](#), and [English](#).

New and Noteworthy

24. The State of the Humanitarian System Report – 2022 Edition

The [report](#) provides a thorough analysis of the system's performance and effectiveness in areas such as hunger, mortality rates as well giving an overview about funding, resource flows, staffing and organizations within it. Check out "[a response to the 2022 State of the Humanitarian System Report](#)" from humanitarian networks.

25. Governing Well: Five Questions Aid Organisations' Governing Boards should be Asking

This [report by CHS Alliance](#) makes the case for why aid organizations' governing boards should play a much stronger role in ensuring that the organizations they oversee meet the Core Humanitarian Standard commitments to people affected by crises.

26. Report - A Dangerous Delay 2: The Cost of Inaction

This [report](#) by Save the Children and Oxfam examines the changes in the humanitarian aid system since 2011. Findings show that despite an improved response to the 2017 East Africa drought when widespread famine was averted, the national and global responses have largely remained too slow and too limited to prevent a repeat today.

27. The Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) awarded 2022 Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize

The Conrad N. Hilton Foundation announced NRC as the recipient of the [2022 Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize](#) and will receive US\$2.5 million in funding. The prize recognizes a nonprofit organization for extraordinary contributions toward alleviating human suffering.

28. Report – 2022 Global Refugee Work Rights

Explore this [new report](#) from Asylum Access, Refugees International and the Center for Global Development to learn more on refugees' access to work in law and practice in 51 countries that were collectively hosting 87 percent of the world's refugee population at the

end of 2021.

29. Paper - Communicating Humanitarian Learning: What do we know?

This [scoping paper by ALNAP](#) is aimed at producers and communicators of humanitarian knowledge. It provides a brief overview of core concepts and existing literature related to communicating humanitarian learning.

30. Step Up Fund: Call for Proposals

The [Dutch Council for Refugees](#) has opened a call for NGOs working with refugees and asylum seekers in Greece, Italy, Poland and Spain to apply for a grant of up to 10.000 Euros. Check out more details and apply before 9 October 2022.

31. World Vision's Report: Afghanistan: A Children's Crisis

The [report](#) details how children and their families have been impacted by recent changes to the humanitarian situation in Afghanistan. It provides an analysis of new primary research from four provinces, secondary data as well testimonials that describe these effects on a personal level.

Agenda

September 7: [Hybrid global launch event: 2022 edition of ALNAP's The State of the Humanitarian System report](#)

September 7: [Joint FAO and WFP Informal Briefing on Food Security](#)

September 12: ALNAP and Devex Survey: [Make humanitarian knowledge and evidence work better for you](#)

September 16: [Launch of the pilot phase of the SEAH Harmonised Reporting Scheme](#)

September 19: NGO Fora Regional Workshop in Bogota

September 19: Civic Space and Covid – lessons Learnt and Looking Ahead [Online learning](#)

September 19-23: 85th meeting of the UNHCR Standing Committee

September 21: UNHCR Quarterly Consultation on "Refugee Coordination and Engagement with NGOs"

September 22-23: [CHS Exchange Conference](#)

October 10-14: 73rd session of the UNCHR Executive Committee

October 16: [World Food Day](#)

November 1-3: [Save the date: The 6th Asia-Pacific Dialogue Platform on Anticipatory Humanitarian Action](#)

December 7-8: High Commissioner's Dialogue on Protection Challenges

December 9-14: [Registration – Asia-Pacific Regional Humanitarian Partnership Week 2022](#)

December 18: [International Migrants Day](#)

2023

March 16: ICVA Membership Day, Geneva

March 17: ICVA Annual Conference, Geneva

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