

DATA PROTECTION IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION

The protection of personal data contributes essentially to the safety and dignity of people affected by conflict or catastrophes. Humanitarian agencies working in those contexts have to ensure a safe collection, usage and transfer of sensitive data during their operations.

At the end of this online training, the participants will

- have a **good understanding of General Data Protection Regulation principles**, and data protection more widely, applied to the humanitarian sector
- **understand the key concepts of data protection;**
- **evaluate the current performance of their own organisation** in terms of responsible data;
- **know how to protect data** along all the steps of the data cycle;
- **and get an overview of the tools and methods** that can be used to improve data security.

The training consists of six online sessions and a follow-up session a few weeks after the main sessions. Each session will be composed of a mix of theory, individual reflection, group exercises, as well as group presentations and open discussions. Light individual homework will be given between the sessions.

The training will be conducted by Maryline Chabanis and Brice Pruvost of the French NGO CartONG. CartONG is an organisation specialised in information management supporting aid organisation strategies and field operations.

After the training, individual coachings for participants are offered. Participation is free of charge. To enable interactive sessions, the number of participants is limited. You will receive feedback on your admission to the course after the registration deadline. The sessions will be in English.

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Monday, 7 February,
Wednesday, 9 February,
Friday, 11 February,
Monday, 14 February,
Wednesday, 16 February and
Friday, 18 February 2022

9 am – 12 pm each

Tuesday, 22 March 2022
10 am – 12 pm

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Online (Zoom)

REGISTRATION

Please register [↘ online](#) until
16 January 2022.

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PROGRAMME

Session 1, 7 February: Introduction and Basics

9:00 am – **Why has data protection become a topic?**
12:00 pm NGOs and the responsible data approach: myths and opportunities

General Data Protection Regulation as an opportunity
Responsible data, do no harm, sensitive information

What responsible data?

Session 2, 9 February: Data protection in NGO programming

9:00 am – **From theory to practice**
12:00 pm Privacy rights & legitimate basis
Which legitimate basis is applicable to my programme data?

Principles applied
Responsible data principles

Session 3, 11 February: When things go wrong & risk mitigation

9:00 am – **Responsible data in action**
12:00 pm When things do not go as planned: dealing with the consequences
Anticipation and prevention

Data protection by design and default
Security good practices (encryption, password management, user access, traceability, authentication)

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Session 4, 14 February: Data protection organisational strategy

9:00 am – **Organisational policy and data protection**
12:00 pm Overview of the key components of an organisational data protection strategy: policies, roles and responsibilities, data sharing agreements, risk analysis, budget implications, etc.

Evaluating the current performance of the own organisation in terms of data protection

Session 5, 16 February: Resources and group project

9:00 am – **Going further**
12:00 pm Useful data protection resources

Stakes of the future
Group project around topics of interest, e.g. anti-terrorism and screening, biometrics and artificial intelligence

Session 6, 18 February: Group project presentations & wrap-up

9:00 am – **Presentations of group projects**
12:00 pm **Wrapping-up and conclusion**

Follow-up session: 22 March 2022

10:00 am – **Follow-up session**
12:00 pm Open questions, challenges, good practices

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