



HUMANITARIAN FIELD SECURITY TRAINING (HFST) October 2018

VIRGINIA, USA

October 25th – 27th, 2018

Humanitarian workers face ever-increasing risks and threats when conducting field operations. Through the Global Emergency Group (GEG) Humanitarian Field Security Training (HFST), humanitarian professionals can gain the knowledge, confidence and skills necessary to operate in these environments as safely and effectively as possible.

COURSE OVERVIEW:

- The course is run by internationally recognized humanitarian and security professionals who have led humanitarian response efforts to natural disasters and complex emergencies around the globe.
- Dynamic, interdisciplinary course with hands-on exercises, simulations and discussions that places emphasis on essential practical skills development for working safely and securely in the field.
- Provides participants the tools, understanding, confidence and skills required to 'hit the ground running' and work safely.
- Intended for individuals who are working in humanitarian field operations or managing humanitarian operations.

KEY TOPIC AREAS:

- Security and Safety in the Field
- Situational Awareness
- Personal Preparedness (Including Emergency First Aid, Personal Health and Safety, Dangerous Situations and Materials Awareness)
- Stress Management
- Managing Field Equipment (Including Radio Communications and Satellite Phones)
- Risk Mitigation and Negotiation
- Cultural Awareness

METHODOLOGY:

- Three-day HFST course uses a blended approach of hands-on field practice and classroom instruction for optimal learning.
- Approximately 30% of the training is classroom-based with the remaining time spent engaged in field-based simulations and field exercises.
- Applies best practices from the 'NGO Safety & Security Training Project' produced by the European Security Forum (EISF) and Interaction.





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BENEFITS

- Learn a variety aspects of working in humanitarian field operations, with a focus on applying security and safety skills. HFST participants come from a range of humanitarian, government, professional, technical and academic backgrounds.
- Develop new knowledge and skills that can be used to mitigate risk so that individuals and organizations can operate effectively in challenging environments.
- Gain an understanding of ‘duty of care’ responsibilities.
- Experience opportunities to apply skills attained over the three-day training.
- A course certificate will be presented to individuals upon successful completion of the HFST core requirements.



PARTICIPANTS

The course is particularly relevant for current or future staff working with humanitarian organizations, governmental agencies and private entities with global operations.

Likely Participants Include:

- Humanitarian response professionals who are, or will be, working in high risk environments.
- Managers and support staff remotely supporting humanitarian operations
- Government international aid agency staff and diplomats
- Military personnel engaged in civil-military and humanitarian support missions
- Faith-based institutions with an international field presence
- Media companies, journalists and staffers working internationally

“The course was absolutely wonderful! I learned a lot and am very excited to utilize it in my career”

– Kenly Flanigan, Project Hope, March 2015 Participant





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FACILITATORS



Langdon Greenhalgh:

Langdon is the Managing Director of Global Emergency Group (GEG) and, as a professional international disaster management expert has led operational and consulting teams throughout the world. Langdon has served as team leader for the Red Cross and other organizations in a wide range and number of humanitarian response operations in the Americas, Africa, Asia and Europe.

Lou Robinson:

Lou has over 25 years of professional experience in international humanitarian operations. Her skill set transfers into training facilitation on emergency preparedness and disaster response simulations with a special focus on humanitarian start-up operations, security risk management and training of trainers. Prior to this she served in the Australian Army before joining the UN's World Food Program (WFP) as a professional emergencies officer from 1995-2005. Active learning events and trainings include delivering multiple HA/DR workshops, simulations and Train the Trainer's in 20+ countries over the last ten years. Lou also works with GEG on a Security in Humanitarian Operations training course, delivered several times each year for the United States Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA).

Aliisa Paivalainen:

Aliisa has significant course, training administration and simulation coordination experience. For the past five years, she has worked with GEG clients to design, develop and run a variety of training programs and platforms. She currently acts as Course Manager/Team Leader for the USAID/OFDA Security in Humanitarian Operations Course. Prior to joining GEG, she worked with United Nations in Geneva in OCHA's Surge Capacity section to help with the design, delivery and administration of training courses for surge personnel, both for OCHA staff and Stand-By Partners to the United Nations system.

ABOUT GLOBAL EMERGENCY GROUP

Global Emergency Group (GEG) is certified Benefit Corporation and humanitarian consulting firm dedicated to enabling emergency humanitarian aid actors from all sectors to respond to those most in need, more effectively so as to save more lives and reduce suffering. Founded by seasoned response and recovery professionals, GEG employs a diverse staff with experience from a broad range of backgrounds. We have an in-depth understanding of the humanitarian community based on decades of work at the field and headquarters levels. For more information about GEG, please visit www.globalemergencygroup.com



"I have taken courses in Personal Security and Disaster Management [in the past]. This course succeeds in those areas on many levels; it encourages open discussion, active participation, and teamwork"

– Jeff Roth, Booz Allen Hamilton,

March 2015 Participant



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Fees

The total fee is USD 2,790 per person. This includes all course costs, accommodation meals and lunch meals.

Facility, Accommodations & Meals

- Hosted in northwest Virginia, within 50 miles from Dulles International Airport (IAD) and 90 miles from Washington D.C.
- Course participants are expected to stay on-site throughout the training in order to be active participants in the course.

Schedule

- The course will run from 9:00am to 7:00pm every day.
- Arrival is no later than 9:00am on Thursday, October 25th and departure is 5:00pm Saturday, October 27th.
- Breaks and free time are included in the evenings within the course agenda.
- Participants should come prepared for a full range of outdoor activities.
- Additional details for packing and a detailed agenda will be provided to participants in advance of the training.

How to Apply & Deadline

- Please download the one-page application form from GEG's website (also found attached to this brochure).
- Submit application to aliisa.paivalainen@globalemergencygroup.com
- Application deadline no later than September 26th, 2018.
- GEG will review your application to determine your match for the training and allocate spaces on a first-come, first-serve basis, we therefore encourage applications to be submitted well in advance of the September 26th deadline.





Global Emergency Group
Humanitarian Field Security Training
Application

Thank you for your interest in the GEG Humanitarian Field Security Training. Please complete the form below and submit to aliisa.paivalainen@globalemergencygroup.com. We will contact you as soon as possible regarding your candidacy for this course.

Course Title: Humanitarian Field Security Training

Course Date: October 25 -27, 2018

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email Address:

Current Employer:

Current Position:

Why do you want to attend this particular training?

What relevant skills, knowledge and experience would you bring to this training?

How do you intend to apply the skills developed in the course?

Are you able to stay on-site for the entire length of the training?

Do you have any dietary requirements GEG should be aware of?

How did you hear about this GEG training?

What method of payment do you intend to use for this training?