



## Training Workshop on Law and Legal Issues in International Disaster Response

1-2 April 2010  
Bangkok, Thailand  
Imperial Queen's Park Hotel

### Becoming legally prepared

Recent disasters in Asia and other regions have clearly shown that legal issues can have an important impact on the speed, quality and effectiveness of international relief. Humanitarian organizations that do not anticipate these kinds of issues often find themselves embroiled in unnecessary conflicts with their governmental counterparts, to the detriment of communities that need their help. Moreover, although there are a number of international and regional legal instruments relevant to disaster relief, many professionals are not familiar enough with them to use them effectively as a tool for dialogue.

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies is organising this workshop to help humanitarian partners to bridge these gaps. Through interactive, scenario-based work, this workshop will provide participants with an overview of the most common regulatory problems and the key international and regional legal instruments related to relief and recovery operations in natural disasters. It will highlight current gaps, challenges and best practices in disaster law and promote the sharing of strategies and experiences among participants.

### Target audience

The workshop is aimed at disaster response professionals from humanitarian organizations (Red Cross/Red Crescent, UN, NGOs) and regional organizations in Asia. Prior legal training is not required. In order to foster an effective environment for learning and discussion, the number of places will be limited to approximately 40. Participants will be selected so as to ensure a diversity of backgrounds and experience.

### Registration

Interested participants are kindly requested to complete the attached Application Form and return it by March 8, 2010 (Monday). Following confirmation, selected participants will be provided with advance materials for their review as well as information on logistical arrangements.

### More information

For more information, please contact Ms. Aishah Amin at the International Federation's office in Kuala Lumpur at [aishah.amin@ifrc.org](mailto:aishah.amin@ifrc.org).



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## APPLICATION FORM

Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.  Dr.  Other

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position : \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address : \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Details Telephone (Mobile): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax : \_\_\_\_\_

Prior disaster response experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for interest in the training: \_\_\_\_\_

Meal Requirement :  Vegetarian  Others, please specify

## COSTS

This workshop is being offered without a fee. However, please note that most participants will be asked to cover all of their own costs of travel and lodging. Sponsorship of these costs is available for a limited number of National Society participants only. For all participants, the workshop organizers will cover the costs of course materials, lunches during the event and one group dinner.

## Sponsorship requested?

- Yes (I represent a National Red Cross or Red Crescent Society that cannot support the cost of my participation)  
 No

Hotel Reservation needed?  Yes  No *Note : Training rate for Single Deluxe hotel room (USD75 or Baht 2500)*

Check in date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check out date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please fully complete this form and return no later than Monday 8 March 2010 to:  
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