

UNICEF UNHCR WASH in Emergencies Training for Standby Partners

The WASH in Emergencies (WiE) Training for Standby Partners (SBP) has been developed by UNICEF and UNHCR in collaboration with SBPs. WASH is one of the biggest sectors for the deployment of standby personnel to UNICEF and UNHCR operations, requiring diverse skill-sets as well as a familiarity with WASH issues and responses, and UNICEF and UNHCR modes of operation in emergencies.

Learning Objectives

The aim of this course is to prepare staff for deployment in emergency in a WASH role.

This training is focussed on planning and management of emergencies, and will not cover the technical aspects of the response. The participants will:

- Receive an orientation on the actual humanitarian contexts where UNHCR and UNICEF operate,
- Understand mandates, priorities, and objectives (and differences) of the two organizations,
- Get oriented on the specific business processes, rules and procedures.

Course Content

The course covers the following topics:

- The general context, interdisciplinary connections, and scope of WASH in emergency
- Coordination principles, tools and skills
- Overview of UNICEF and UNHCR as organisations, their mandates, commitments and priorities in emergencies
- Overview of the international legal framework, code of conduct and guiding principles of humanitarian action
- Principles and tools of risk management, contingency planning and disaster preparedness
- Resource management and mobilization, business processes, rules and procedures
- Standards applied by UNICEF, UNHCR and global cluster
- Acquisition, management and use of information for decision making, monitoring and reporting
- Emergency planning and management
- Facilitation, communication and management skills

The training is designed as a simulation, where the participants will be exposed to real-world situations, and will have the opportunity to practice the new knowledge and skills, learn from other's experiences in real emergencies, and share own experiences.

Participant contribution

Participants will have the chance to share their experiences with peers and facilitators. Everybody is therefore encouraged to bring personal materials such as pictures, videos, etc. related to real emergency deployments.

Candidates for the Course

- Standby roster members who are **available and likely to be deployed with UNICEF within the next 12 months;**
- To add to the training, a few places will be also offered to UNICEF/UNHCR Country and Regional Office staff with humanitarian experience in either coordination, operations, or a technical profile who may be operating in or deployable to emergency responses.

The course will focus on planning and management, therefore some previous knowledge of emergency WASH implementation is highly recommended.

Participants will be evaluated during the course.

Course Dates and Venue

The course is generously hosted by Netherlands Enterprise Agency on behalf of DSS Water and will take place in The Hague, Netherlands.

Participants will need to be in The Hague by **Sunday 3 September** prior to 18:00, and departure is planned for the flights after 20:00 on Friday 8 September. More details will be available once participants are confirmed.

Course Costs

Standby Partners will be required to cover the cost of travel to The Hague, dinners according to their own policies as well as overnight stay if needed after the training. Accommodation during course days (Sunday to Thursday inclusive) including breakfast and lunch (Monday to Friday) is provided.

Application Process

Interested participants should **send their CV as well as the completed Application Form** to: dsswater@rvo.nl, no later than **12 July 2017**.