# Joint action plan

# Technical Cooperation between RCRC and AHA Centre / Bangkok / December 2014

In September 2014, representatives from Southeast Asia Red Cross and Red Crescent (RCRC) National Societies (NS) gathered in Bangkok as part of the Community Safety and Resilience Forum to enhance their integrated approach for community resilience building and strengthen the regional cooperation among and between members. Participants included Department Heads for Disaster Management, Health and Organizational Development as well as a representative from the ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance (AHA) Centre.

During technical discussions, it was agreed that IFRC, RCRC National Societies and the AHA Centre should continue building on the positive collaboration undertaken so far and explore opportunities for further technical cooperation in the form of a 'joint action plan'.

This plan was discussed at a subsequent technical meeting held on 8 October 2014 at the AHA Centre (Jakarta, Indonesia), where participants agreed to undertake collaborative efforts for the following activities:

# 1/ Sharing information

What	How	When	Who
NSs and IFRC to provide updates about response operations	Identify modalities to share information from NS Operation Emergency Centers and IFRC DMU to AHA Centre	2014 and 2015	NS IFRC / DM Unit in Zone Office
AHA Centre to send updates to NSs and IFRC (emergency / non- emergency updates)	AHA Centre will include NS and IFRC identified key focal points in its mailing list	2014 and ongoing	IFRC Regional Delegation Bangkok AHA Centre NS

## 2/ Operational response frameworks

What	How	When	Who
Move towards improved coordination of RDRT and ERAT	- AHA Centre to invite RCRC participants in ERAT training - IFRC to invite AHA Centre participants in RDRT training - Potential RDRT secondment to a ERAT deployment (and maybe viceversa) in a	Starting in 2015	AHA Centre IFRC Selected NS

	response operation - Organizing pre- disaster meetings / enhancing joint procedures		
Enhance compatibility of SASOP and RCRC field manual	<ul> <li>RCRC to provide expertise for inputs for the review of SASOP.</li> <li>NSs can learn from SASOP when designing their internal field manual</li> <li>Revised SOP for RDRT could link better with SASOP</li> </ul>	2015-2017	AHA Centre IFRC Selected NS
Discuss procedures in preparation of disasters (logistics, customs, earlywarning) and undertake joint efforts where possible	Reflect on recent experience such as Haiyan response	2015-2017	AHA Centre IFRC / KL Zone office
Discuss IDRL-related operational challenges, where relevant, to support RCRC and ASEAN advocacy for improved disaster laws and effective implementation of AADMER in the region	- Share information on Disaster Law / IDRL issues - Highlight / test IDRL issues at simulation exercises, where appropriate - IFRC to invite AHA Centre to relevant Disaster Law trainings and events.	Ongoing  2015 (second quarter)	AHA Centre IFRC Regional Delegation Bangkok

# 3/ Learning from each other

What	How	When	Who
RCRC to participate actively in simulation exercises	Where possible and with the consent of the host country, AHA Centre will ensure NSs and IFRC are invited	ongoing	AHA Centre IFRC NS

	in the preparatory meetings as well		
IFRC and PMI to provide expertise to the 2015 edition of the ACE Programme	IFRC and PMI will facilitate a week-long session in Indonesia and technical sessions in Malaysia	2015 (April/May in Indonesia and June in Malaysia)	AHA Centre IFRC PMI
	IFRC will include a discussion/session on IDRL		
AHA Centre to allow NS representative to participate in selected ACE Programme modules as trainees	AHA Centre, IFRC and NSs to jointly select modules and participants	2015 (Feb to August)	AHA IFRC PMI

### How we work

Strategy 2020 voices the collective determination of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) to move forward in tackling the major challenges that confront humanity in the next decade. Informed by the needs and vulnerabilities of the diverse communities with whom we work, as well as the basic rights and freedoms to which all are entitled, this strategy seeks to benefit all who look to Red Cross Red Crescent to help to build a more humane, dignified, and peaceful world.

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- 1. Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disasters and crises
- 2. Enable healthy and safe living
- **3.** Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace

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