The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement

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The IFRC

International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
Video

We are the Federation.mp4
Nearly a century of humanitarian action

- IFRC was founded in 1919 as the League of Red Cross Societies to support National Red Cross Societies to improve the health of people in countries affected by the First World War.
- In 1991, the League of Red Cross Societies became the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.
A membership organization

- 190 Red Cross or Red Crescent National Societies (and Marshall Islands Red Cross Society)
- A secretariat that provides support to and linkages between our member National Societies
- International coordination services in response to large-scale disasters and health emergencies
- International representation, resource mobilization and humanitarian diplomacy
Local impact, global reach

- 190 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (plus Marshall Islands Red Cross Society)
- Around 17 million active volunteers depending on the year
- 80 million members
- Reaching more than 160 million people every year
- Combined income/expenditure about 31 billion Swiss francs
IFRC Governance
Sets direction, decides strategy and policy, supervises management

President

Governing Board (20 members, 4 Vice Presidents, 1 ex-officio)

General Assembly of the IFRC

Elect

Decide, approve

IFRC Management
Translates strategy and policy into cost-effective results, decides use of resources, reports to governance

Secretary General

Geneva Team

Africa
Asia Pacific
MENA
Europe
Americas

Country Cluster Support Team

Supports a group of NS

190 NSs
OUR FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

HUMANITY
IMPARTIALITY
NEUTRALITY
INDEPENDENCE
VOLUNTARY SERVICE
UNITY
UNIVERSALITY
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SAVING LIVES
CHANGING MINDS
Vision 2020

To inspire, encourage, facilitate, and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities by National Societies, with a view to preventing and alleviating human suffering, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

(Article 4, IFRC Constitution)
**Strategy 2020**

**Vision 2020**

**Strategic Aim 1**
Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disasters and crises

**Strategic Aim 2**
Enable healthy and safe living

**Strategic Aim 3**
Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace

**Enabling Action 1**
Build strong National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

**Enabling Action 2**
Pursue humanitarian diplomacy to prevent and reduce vulnerability in a globalised world

**Enabling Action 3**
Function effectively as the IFRC
OUR PRIORITIES

Saving lives, building resilience.

Local impact, the voice of people in need.

Reaching the last mile, leaving no one behind.
OUR CROSS-CUTTING PRIORITIES

Organizational development
Working with National Societies around the world to attain sustainable organizational capacity in order to serve local communities

Community engagement and accountability
Recognizing local people and communities as leaders and equal partners in humanitarian action

Local innovation
Driving new knowledge, ideas and solutions to humanitarian challenges

One Billion Coalition For Resilience
A global network of new partnerships to support stronger communities where people can survive and thrive, even in the face of adversity
Plan & Budget 2016 -2020 (updated 2018-2020)

Strategies for Implementation

▪ Building the capacity of National Societies
▪ Managing international disaster response
▪ Carrying out humanitarian diplomacy
▪ Ensuring a strong IFRC

Areas of focus

▪ Disaster risk reduction
▪ Shelter
▪ Livelihoods
▪ Health
▪ Water & Sanitation
▪ Protection, Gender & Inclusion
▪ Migration
▪ Education (being explored)
OUR NETWORK

Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland

Five regional offices in Africa, Asia Pacific, the Americas, Europe and Middle East North Africa

Three representation offices in New York, Brussels and Addis Ababa

190 member National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies located around the world
IFRC REFERENCE CENTRES

A global network of knowledge and expertise

**Australia**
Global Advisory Panel on Corporate Governance and Risk Management of Blood Services in National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

**Belgium**
Centre for Evidence-Based Practice
Shelter Research Unit

**Costa Rica**
Reference Centre for Community Resilience *(Centro de Referencia para la Resiliencia Comunitaria)*

**Denmark**
Reference Centre for Psychosocial Support

**El Salvador**
Reference Centre for Institutional Disaster Preparedness *(Centro de Referencia men Preparación Institucional Para Desastres)*

**France**
Global First Aid Reference Centre

**Luxembourg**
Shelter Research Unit

**Netherlands**
Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre
Shelter Research Unit

**Republic of Korea**
Asia Pacific Reference Centre on Disaster Risk Reduction and Community Resilience

**Spain**
Livelihoods Resource Centre
Reference Centre on Volunteering

**Switzerland**
Global Advisory Panel on Corporate Governance and Risk Management of Blood Services in National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

**United Kingdom**
Reference Centre on Volunteering

**United States of America**
Global Disaster Preparedness Centre
National Societies act as auxiliaries to the public authorities of their own countries in the humanitarian field.

They provide a range of services including disaster relief, health and social programmes, and assistance to people affected by war.
A NS structure
National Societies provide services like:

Disaster response and recovery – to save lives and protect livelihoods

- Search and rescue
- Emergency shelter
- Food, relief supplies and clean water
- Restoring family links
National Societies provide services like:

Enabling healthy and safe living

- Disaster risk reduction and resilience building
- Community-based health and care
- First aid training
- Water, sanitation and hygiene promotion
- Climate change adaptation
- Psychosocial support
National Societies provide services like:

Promoting social inclusion and peace

- Promotion of the practical application of the Fundamental Principles
- Integration of disadvantaged people into their communities
- Migrant and refugee services
- Community engagement, training and education
Asia Pacific region and country representation
If you want to know more:

www.ifrc.org

www.icrc.org

www.pmi.or.id

www.standcom.ch

http://www.rcrc-resilience-southeastasia.org/
Thank you

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