

Call for participants

Pilot distance learning project on Migration: Linking policy, principles and practice in an urban context



Tunisian-Libyan border, 2011. Thousands of Bangladeshi decide to walk the 10 km from the border to the nearest transit camp from which they hope to return to their home country.

Number of participants: 15 Red Cross Red Crescent Staff and/ or Volunteers from National Societies and Federation Secretariat

Length of the course: 25 hours over an eight-week period from June to July 2013

Requirements: Understanding of the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement; fluency in English

Deadline for application: Apply online by 19 May 2013.

What is the course about?

The pilot distance learning project on migration aims to:

- Introduce participants to the specificities and vulnerabilities of migrants irrespective of their legal status;
- Raise awareness on the 31st International Conference Migration Resolution, the IFRC Migration Policy and the 2012 World Disaster Report (WDR) on forced migration and displacement;
- Build capacity of RCRC staff and volunteers by providing guidance on how to use the Policy and how to best address specific migration issues;

■ Familiarise participants' understanding and knowledge of Migration in an urban context. As part of the peer-to-peer evaluation participants will improve understanding of the impact and linkages of urbanisation, vulnerability and migration.

Learning objectives

At the end of the course participants will:

- Have a good understanding of the IFRC policy framework on Migration and how it applies in a urban context;
- Understand how this policy framework could and should be used in practice.

Who can participate?

- Interested, motivated and committed Red Cross Red Crescent Staff or Volunteer wanting to learn about the IFRC approach to Migration;
- Prior experience in a migration context is preferred but not essential; participants should be able to read, write and understand English.

What will participants need to do?

Participants will need to dedicate an estimated 25 hours over an eight-week period from June to July 2013. Over these 8 weeks, participants will be asked to develop a short case study on an issue related to migration in an urban setting. Learners will draw on selected resources supplied by IFRC to inform their thinking in developing the case studies.

To apply, visit this web page before 20 May 2013: http://bit.ly/MigrationEnroll and send your CV by email to the IFRC Migration Unit at migration.unit@ifrc.org