

FRAGILE STATES

# PUBLIC PROCUREMENT IN FRAGILE, CONFLICT-AFFECTED AND EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

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Information Note



# INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE

The increase in situations of fragility across the globe require more proactive response approaches and fit-for-purpose rescue, relief, rehabilitation and recovery actions. Such actions that are usually implemented through emergency projects mostly funded by public budgets that are oftentimes scarce. Such public expenditures are under the category of public procurement that is more often than not tainted with misuse and corruption. National legislations have- at best- reserved some articles to cover procurement under emergency while many international organizations and NGO's elaborate a little more on the procedures to be adopted. To the detriment of the people under fragile situations, procurement operations could fail further aggravating an already life-threatening situation.

This course furnishes a holistic approach to the management of procurement in fragile, conflict-affected and emergency situations starting with proactive planning and elaborating on the tools, techniques and toolkits that a relief officer and a procurement specialist should possess in their rendering of relief and emergency goods, works, physical services and consulting services.

### WHO ATTENDS THIS COURSE?

This course is directed to officers and managers working- or may work- in fragile, conflict-affected and emergency situations whether they are relief officers, engineers, medical doctors, heads of units, or procurement specialists. The course does not follow the rules or procedures adopted by any single entity; instead, it is equally open to civil servants, staff of international organizations or local/international NGO's. Nevertheless, it highlights the practices recommended by major international organizations when it comes to emergency procurement.

# WHAT TOPICS DOES THIS COURSE COVER?

The course includes the following main topics:

- Introduction to fragility, conflict and emergency
- Procurement for relief
  - Goods & supplies
  - Works and rehabilitation
  - Physical services
  - Consulting services
- Preventing misuse and combating corruption in relief funds
- Proactive planning for optimal procurement response

A detailed outline of the course appears below.

# WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The competencies targeted in this course include but are not limited to the following abilities:

- develop a thorough proactive response plan along with its detailed procurement approach;
- anticipate needs and design requirements;
- generate a responsive risk management plan;
- engage the market to cooperate for relief;
- design and implement the most suitable procurement approach;
- monitor economic operator performance to ensure timely and fit-for-purpose delivery; and
- several other project, programme, procurement, and contract management competencies and skills.

# WHAT WILL I BE ABLE TO DO?

After the course, participants will be able to formulate a strategic procurement response plan, update the same, design relief interventions, launch their respective procurement activities (goods, works, physical services, and consulting services), evaluate, negotiate and award contracts, and monitor delivery as well as the level of attainment of the target relief. Participants will be able to apply a multitude of tools and techniques that will make relief procurement interventions more impactful and far-reaching:

- requirements engineering and cost estimation;
- market sounding, supply positioning, and market engagement;
- risk management planning;
- performance management planning;
- bid design optimization;
- value-for-money maximization;
- contract management planning;
- scope, schedule and cost management;
- stakeholder management;
- inspection and quality verification;
- managing disputes and claims; and
- a multitude of other tools and techniques.

## WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

In addition to knowledge, skills and competencies shared during the course, it is a unique opportunity to exchange lessons with relief and procurement specialists from around the world - specialists operating under the same goal of minimizing agony and preserving life. Whether struck by natural disasters or man-made ones,

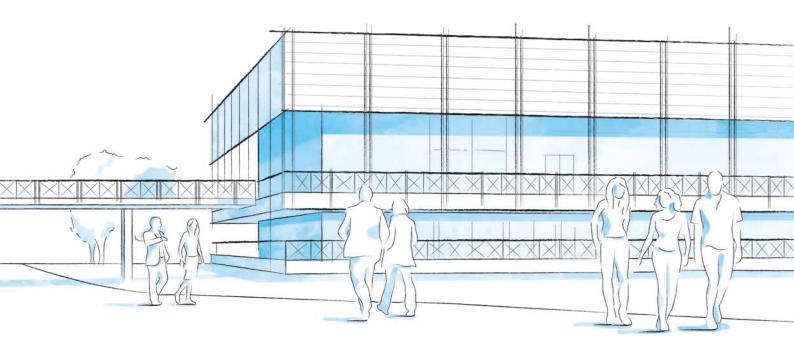
vulnerable populations deserve the highest level of commitment, competency, and professionalism. This course is a forum to actively engage in learning, knowledge sharing, skills development, and attitude reinforcement for furthering the effectiveness, efficiency and value of procurement operations in fragile situations.

# **HOW TO APPLY**

The deadline for submission of applications is **7 August 2020**Candidates must submit link https://oarf2.itcilo.org/STF/A9013238/en

# **PRICE**

Tuition: €1,650 Subsistence: €635 Total: €2,285



# **CAMPUS LIFE**

### A THRIVING UNITED NATIONS CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY OF PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE WORLD

- Three organizations from the United Nations system on campus
- More than 300 training courses and activities in a stimulating international environment
- Thousands of participants from all over the world

### **ENVIRONMENT AND SURROUNDINGS**

Grab a campus bicycle and explore the Turin Centre. Located in a leafy park on the banks of the Po River, it's a great place for study and collaboration. Experience innovative learning and training methods in modern classrooms equipped with simultaneous translation services.

### HOUSING, DINING, AND MORE

Comprising more than 280 private dormitories, the Turin Campus provides a broad range of services for course participants and partners including a free-flow restaurant, bank, travel agency, laundromat, post office, gym, medical services and a reception desk open 24/7.

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND DIVERSITY

Participants can enjoy social events organized by the Turin Centre as well as by their course facilitators. Whether on or off campus, people from different cultural backgrounds have the opportunity to listen to live music together, cook and share traditional foods, or team up to play games and network.

# **INFO**

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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