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CENTRE FOR HUMANITARIAN ACTION
The Centre for Humanitarian Action (CHA) is a Berlin-based think tank fostering critical reflection, open debate and public communication of humanitarian action. We are anchored in civil society through our founding organisations Caritas Germany, Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe, Doctors without Borders and our legal entity Maecenata Foundation. Our aim is to strengthen German and international humanitarian action through independent, practice-oriented research. We seek to build bridges between the international and national discourses as well as bridging academic analysis with practitioners’ needs and experience in the field.

GERMAN RED CROSS
The German Red Cross (GRC) is one of 191 Red Cross and Red Crescent National Societies worldwide. Together with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (International Federation), they form the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, the largest humanitarian network in the world. Its mission is to alleviate human suffering, protect life and health, and uphold human dignity especially during armed conflicts and other emergencies. Each component of the Movement has its own legal identity and role, but they are all united by seven Fundamental Principles: Humanity, Impartiality, Neutrality, Independence, Voluntary Service, Unity and Universality.

HANDICAP INTERNATIONAL
Handicap International is an independent charity working in situations of poverty and exclusion, conflict and disaster. We work tirelessly alongside disabled and vulnerable people to help meet their basic needs, improve their living conditions and promote respect for their dignity and fundamental rights.

HAMBURG UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES
Hamburg University of Applied Sciences (HAW Hamburg) is one of the largest of its kind in Germany and within our four faculties we offer a wide range of Bachelor’s and Master’s programmes in engineering, IT, life sciences, design and media as well as business and social sciences. In teaching we focus on applied sciences, giving our students a practical insight into their fields of study through projects, lab work, internships and theses in industry. Our expertise is drawn from faculty members, who have worked in industry before joining the university. In research we are an important partner for the city of Hamburg’s companies and innovation clusters, developing new ideas from the synergies of this dynamic location.
HEIDELBERG INSTITUTE OF GLOBAL HEALTH (HIGH)
The Heidelberg Institute of Global Health (HIGH) is one of the research institutes in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Heidelberg, Germany’s oldest university. Through its research, the institute aims to contribute to improving the health of some of the sickest and poorest populations worldwide, especially in Africa and Asia. Through its teaching, the institute aims to train the next generation of global health researchers and practitioners. The research projects at the institute focus on identifying important disease risk factors and health care needs; discovering new approaches to improving population health; and establishing novel models of providing health care in Africa and Asia. The institute was founded in 1962 and has a staff of about 60.

HUMEDICA E.V.
We are an international community of paid staff and volunteers, donors and sponsors, which arises through their assets, capabilities and talents in the service of assisting people suffering the effects of structural poverty in disasters or emergencies.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS
The ICRC helps people around the world affected by armed conflict and other violence, doing everything it can to protect their lives and dignity and to relieve their suffering, often with its Red Cross and Red Crescent partners. The organization also seeks to prevent hardship by promoting and strengthening humanitarian law and championing universal humanitarian principles. People know they can count on the ICRC to carry out a range of life-saving activities in conflict zones and to work closely with the communities there to understand and meet their needs. The organization’s experience and expertise enables it to respond quickly and effectively, without taking sides.

OXFAM
Oxfam Germany is an independent development and aid organisation that works to achieve a just world without poverty. Oxfam delivers humanitarian relief in crises, strengthens local groups committed to social justice, exposes the underlying structures of poverty, and campaigns for political and business decision-makers to act responsibly. Oxfam is an international confederation of 20 organizations networked together in more than 90 countries, as part of a global movement for change, to build a future free from the injustice of poverty. Jointly, we can draw upon 70 years of experience in humanitarian and development work.

RUHR-UNIVERSITY BOCHUM – INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW OF PEACE AND ARMED CONFLICT / NOHA+
The IFHV is one of Europe’s leading academic institutions to conduct research on humanitarian crises. Coming from a strong tradition of international humanitarian law and human rights law, the institute today combines high-level inter-disciplinary research from the disciplines of public law, social science, geosciences and public health. The Erasmus Mundus Joint Master’s Degree Programme in International Humanitarian Action (NOHA+) is an inter-university multidisciplinary postgraduate programme that provides high quality academic education and professional competences for personnel working or intending to work in the area of humanitarian action.
AKKON UNIVERSITY FOR HUMAN SCIENCES
Akkon University for Human Sciences is a modern private university in Berlin, officially proved and certified. The university offers science- and problem-orientated study programs in which it reflects current sociological developments and debates. The university study program comprises education in nursing, civil protection and catastrophe relief as well as pedagogics and social sciences. Students study practically orientated courses preparing for job positions with leadership and high responsibility afterwards. Scientific collaborations and partnerships allow professional insights into practical application of the study program contents. Besides education and training, research and development play a major role in the overall program of Akkon University. Research projects range from basic science to applied research on practical aspects and projects commissioned to the university by governmental or private partners. In a multisectoral and interdisciplinary approach, crisis relief and resilience are central themes covered by the university.

CARITAS INTERNATIONAL
The German Caritas Association is the umbrella organisation for the many diocesan, regional and community Caritas associations, the specialised charity organisations, the central specialised organisations representing charity facilities joined together on the basis of their field of work and the supra-diocesan orders in Germany. Each of these organisations is legally independent and responsible for its own service areas. The International Department of Caritas Germany performs the international relief work of Germany’s largest Catholic welfare organisation. We provide disaster relief on a global scale together with a closely knit network of 162 independent national Catholic welfare associations.

DIAKONIE KATASTROPHENHILFE
Worldwide ready to help. Emergency aid, reconstruction and prevention. Every day. Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe has been providing people in need for over 60 years. We are the humanitarian assistance agency of the Protestant Churches in Germany with headquarters in Berlin. We support people, who have become victims of natural disasters, war and forced displacement and who are unable to deal with their predicament without external assistance. We provide this assistance irrespective of religion, skin or nationality – in a quick, non-bureaucratic, reliable and effective way. Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe usually works with Partner organizations from the respective country and is a member of the worldwide church humanitarian assistance network ACT Alliance. So we are already there when help is needed. Even in forgotten crises that receive little media coverage and virtually no public attention. In conflict regions, we maintain strict neutrality.

GREENPEACE
Greenpeace is an international environmental organization that works with direct nonviolent action to protect the natural foundations of life of man and nature and justice for all living things.
HOSPITAL PARTNERSHIPS – PARTNERS STRENGTHEN HEALTH INITIATIVE
The Hospital Partnerships – Partners Strengthen Health initiative promotes partnerships between health care organizations in Germany and medical institutions in low and middle-income countries. Professionals, such as doctors, nursing scientists, public health specialists, midwives, nurses and medical administrators, cooperate as equals with their peers. They share their professional knowledge, experiences and ideas specifically in order to improve healthcare on the ground in selected thematic areas. Twice a year there are funding rounds open with a sum up to 50,000 Euro. Currently the program accompanies 150 Hospital Partnerships in 50 countries with 450 partners.

INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE
Over the past 80 years, the International Rescue Committee (IRC) has developed unparalleled expertise in responding to emergencies and helping uprooted communities to rebuild. Founded in 1933 at the request of Albert Einstein, the IRC offers lifesaving care and life-changing assistance to refugees forced to flee from war or disaster. The IRC is on the ground in more than 40 countries, providing emergency relief, relocating refugees and rebuilding lives in the wake of disaster. IRC Germany was established in 2016 implementing integration projects for refugees and other vulnerable populations in Germany, with representational functions of IRC’s global work vis-à-vis the German government and other German and European stakeholders and raising funds for project work worldwide.

IPSO
Ipso is a humanitarian organisation, founded in 2008 by Inge Missmahl (analytical psychologist). We provide psychosocial care through our online counselling service and project field work. We encourage cultural dialogue and facilitate socio-cultural activities as well as symbolic expression through local culture and art. We build the capacities of non-governmental organisations and governmental agencies to provide psychosocial care and mental health care services. We develop concepts for organisations that wish to improve the sustainability of their programs by introducing a psychosocial component to their projects as a crosscutting issue.

JOHANNITER-UNFALL-HILFE E.V.
Johanniter-Unfall-Hilfe e.V. is bound by statute to provide humanitarian relief abroad. Johanniter International Assistance is responsible for implementing this task from its national headquarters in Berlin. This organisational unit reports directly to the Federal Board and is subdivided into project departments, support departments (logistics, finances, public relations, HR), consultants (public health, medical disaster response and monitoring) and the management level, which includes staff units dedicated to strategy and quality as well as policy and liaison. In 2018 there were 278 international and local staff working in Berlin and in the country offices.
MALTESER INTERNATIONAL
Malteser International, the worldwide relief agency of the Order of Malta for humanitarian aid, works in more than 20 countries in Africa, Asia and the Americas for people in need, regardless of their religion, origin or political affiliation. Its mission is to provide emergency relief as well as to implement rehabilitation measures and to facilitate the link between emergency relief and sustainable development. Christian values and the humanitarian principles of impartiality and independence form the basis of its work in the following areas: Relief, Reconstruction & Rehabilitation; Health & Nutrition; Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH); Livelihood & Social Programs and Disaster Risk Reduction.

MÉDECINS DU MONDE/ ÄRZTE DER WELT E.V.
Ärzte der Welt e.V. is the German branch of the international humanitarian organisation Médecins du Monde | Doctors of the World | Médicos del Mundo (MdM), an independent international voluntary movement working at home and abroad. Through innovative medical programmes and evidence-based advocacy, we empower excluded people and communities to claim their right to health while fighting for universal access to healthcare.

MÉDECINS SANS FRONTIÈRES/ ÄRZTE OHNE GRENZEN E.V.
Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) translates to Doctors without Borders. We provide medical assistance to people affected by conflict, epidemics, disasters, or exclusion from healthcare. Our teams are made up of tens of thousands of health professionals, logistic and administrative staff - bound together by our charter. Our actions are guided by medical ethics and the principles of impartiality, independence and neutrality. We are a non-profit, self-governed, member-based organisation. MSF was founded in 1971 in Paris by a group of journalists and doctors. Today, we are a worldwide movement of more than 67,000 people.

UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER – HUMANITARIAN AND CONFLICT RESPONSE INSTITUTE
The Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute (HCRI) is a leading global centre for the study of humanitarianism and conflict response, global health, international disaster management and peacebuilding. Our work is driven by a desire to inform and support policy and decision makers, to optimise collaborations between partner organisations, and to foster increased understanding and debate within the field. Bringing together the disciplines of medicine and the humanities to achieve these goals, HCRI aims to facilitate improvements in crisis response on a global scale, while providing a centre of excellence for practitioners in emergencies and conflicts.

WELTHUNGERHILFE
Welthungerhilfe is one of the largest private aid organisations in Germany, without political or religious affiliation. It is fighting for “Zero Hunger by 2030”. Since it was founded in 1962, more than 9,300 overseas projects in 70 countries have been supported with 3.71 billion euros. Welthungerhilfe works on the principle of help for self-help: from fast disaster relief to reconstruction and long-term development cooperation projects with national and international partner organisations.
CADUS

CADUS is a charitable and independent humanitarian aid organisation that focusses on needs-based capacity building to help people help themselves. CADUS develops and implements strategic and technical solutions for emergency response in cooperation with local partners of communities affected by disaster and conflict. Along with offering direct support, CADUS assesses structural problems and uses its public voice to address these challenges in an effort to make humanitarian aid sustainable and to promote global solidarity. Recently CADUS supported the establishment of a field hospital in the al-Hawl camp in North-East Syria. Together with our local implementing partner we equipped the hospital, are constantly training local medical staff and are now providing medical care with a joint national/international team.

CHARITÉ UNIVERSITÄTSMEDIZIN BERLIN – INSTITUTE OF TROPICAL MEDICINE AND INTERNATIONAL HEALTH

The Institute of Tropical Medicine and International Health contributes nationally and internationally to health promotion as well as prevention and treatment of tropical diseases. The main research areas of the Institute are malaria, helminthiases, diabetes, HIV/AIDS and other infectious diseases in developing countries. On behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) the Institute of Tropical Medicine conducts partnership projects with clinics in Rwanda, Sierra Leone and Uganda.

LITTLE SUN

Little Sun is a Berlin based social business and has become the light of choice in the humanitarian sector over the last five years. Our high-quality solar products are increasingly successful with refugees, IDPs and host communities in South Sudan, Ethiopia, Niger, Rwanda, Nepal and Greece among others. We have a Frame Agreement with UNHCR, are listed in OXFAM’s humanitarian supply center, catalogue and are World Bank Lighting Global Certified and have partnerships with most major international NGOs including UNDP, IOM, SNV, GIZ, Save the Children, Plan and many others. Access to a personal, portable light can reduce gender based violence and enables students to study at night. Solar lights are also safer and healthier than open flame lamps. The Little Sun Solar Charger keeps community healthcare workers’ phones and communications charged. To learn more, visit us at: www.littlesun.com.

LUDWIG-MAXIMILIANS-UNIVERSITY MUNICH – CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL HEALTH

The CIH LMU and its partners work to improve the health conditions in low and middle-income countries by promoting medical education and research. We support the local training of medical professionals, train professors maintain up-to-date instructing techniques, and develop innovative curricula with our partners taking into account the local conditions. With our support, the partner universities are able to define their own training and research content, to integrate into international knowledge networks, to implement their research results. Our institution is involved in academic support for humanitarian organizations and activities. Additionally, we offer an annual Humanitarian Aid Symposium which links our training activities to professional experiences.
MISSING MAPS
Disasters kill nearly 100,000 & affect 200 million people each year, but vulnerable places home to millions of people, are still literally 'missing' from any map, & responders lack the information to make time-critical, data-driven decisions. Missing Maps is a cross-sector collaborative project to dramatically advance disaster relief & risk reduction by mapping these blank spots. Started by Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team (HOT), American and British Red Cross Society, & Médecins Sans Frontières UK, it has since expanded to 18 NGO partners, including Red Cross National Societies, IFRC, & academia, e.g., Heidelberg University. Missing Maps initial goal was to map 20 million vulnerable people. Since 2015, we have mapped 80 million, & have expanded our vision to map the bottom billion. German Red Cross and Heidelberg Institute for Geoinformation Technology will share further information about Missing Maps and their contributions to the project.

WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME
The United Nations World Food Programme - saving lives in emergencies and changing lives for millions through sustainable development. WFP works in more than 80 countries around the world, feeding people caught in conflict and disasters, and laying the foundations for a better future.