



## GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN OVERVIEW 2022

UNITED NATIONS-COORDINATED  
SUPPORT TO PEOPLE AFFECTED  
BY DISASTER AND CONFLICT



**Berlin, 2 December 2021**

10:30 -12:00 CET

This event is co-hosted by the **German  
Federal Foreign Office**

### Concept Note

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**On 2 December 2021, the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and the German Federal Foreign Office (GFFO) will host one of six launches to present the 2022 United Nations Global Humanitarian Overview (GHO) in Berlin, Germany.**

The Global Humanitarian Overview (GHO) is the world's most comprehensive, authoritative, and evidence-based assessment of humanitarian needs. It reflects global trends and requirements for inter-agency appeals as well as explores opportunities to deliver humanitarian assistance together, better.

The overarching theme for the 2022 GHO launches is *Climate Change and Humanitarian Action*. The climate crisis is not a distant future threat as it is already a key driver of increasing humanitarian needs and suffering. The GHO launch in Berlin will discuss "**The impact of Climate Change on Humanitarian Needs**" and aims to:

- Present the prioritized humanitarian needs in more than 63 countries for 2022.
- Present the financial requirements for the 2022 Humanitarian Response Plans and other inter-agency appeals.
- Amplify the voices of affected people, including women and girls.
- Acknowledge the generosity of donors.
- Promote effective and innovative humanitarian financing

## Programme

The event will run from 10:30 to 12:00 CET and is divided into two segments.

The first segment begins with **opening remarks from His Excellency Mr. Niels Annen**, Minister of State, German Federal Foreign Office followed by a welcome message by the UN Secretary-General, **Mr. António Guterres**. **Ms. Anja Nitzsche**, Chief, Partnerships and Resource Mobilization Branch, OCHA will then present the latest humanitarian trends, analyses, challenges and opportunities in humanitarian action and provide an overview of the coordinated plans for humanitarian response in 2022.

The second segment will be a moderated interactive panel on **“The impact of climate change on humanitarian needs”**. Discussions will seek to highlight the impact of climate change on the local work of humanitarians and how the international community can drive local adaption, preparedness and increase resilience among communities at risk. It will also address how the international community works together to ensure adequate financing, using credible and tested tools and approaches such as country-based pooled funds, anticipatory action and forecast-based financing.

The panel will include the following speakers:

1. Ms. Sibylle Katharina Sorg, Director General for Humanitarian Assistance, Crisis Prevention, Stabilisation, Post-Conflict Peacebuilding and Humanitarian Assistance
2. Ms. Henrietta Fore, Executive Director, UNICEF
3. Ms. Aisha Jamshed, Country Director, Pakistan, Welthungerhilfe/Start Network (TBC)
4. Dr. Martin van Aalst, Director, Red Cross/Red Crescent Climate Sector, and Adjunct Research Scientist, Columbia Climate School, International Research Institute for Climate and Society
5. Additional Speaker, TBC

**A Member of the Bundestag will also deliver a statement.**

**Marianna Evenstein**, Journalist will moderate the session. Government officials, Parliamentarians, humanitarian agencies, diplomatic representatives, civil society, private sector, academia and media will be invited to the event and will have the opportunity to engage with the panel speakers.

## Logistics

The launch will take place virtually. Participants can join via the livestream. The link will be updated shortly.

The event focal points are:

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