

## RUDOLF MÜLLER

### Director, OCHA Geneva and Chief, Emergency Services Section (ESB)

Rudolf Müller became the Deputy Director OCHA Geneva and the Chief of the Emergency Services Branch, based in Geneva, in 2010. He manages OCHA's emergency tools and services, such as the United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination teams, civil-military coordination and surge support.

From 2006 to 2008, Mr. Müller was Chief of the UN Central Emergency Response Fund secretariat before being appointed Deputy Director of OCHA's Coordination and Response Division. He has led numerous emergency missions to support Resident and Humanitarian Coordinators in various country offices. Mr. Müller was Head of the OCHA office in Southern Sudan (2005-2006) following the establishment of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement in that country.

He joined the Department of Humanitarian Affairs (now known as OCHA) in 1993 and worked on the use of military and civil defense assets in disaster relief for two years. In 1997, Mr. Müller rejoined as a disaster management expert, working as a Desk Officer and the acting Section Chief for Asia and the Pacific on major emergencies. He was significantly involved in the response coordination after the earthquake in Bam, Iran, in 2003, the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami, as well as the Darfur crisis in 2004.

Prior to joining OCHA, Mr. Müller was a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) verification expert with the UN Special Commission for Iraq (UNSCOM). He is a graduate from the Austrian Military Academy.