



World Humanitarian Summit Commitments

Sphere

2019

Individual commitments

Ensure full access to and protection of the humanitarian and medical missions

Individual Commitments

Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
The Sphere Project further commit to support and reinforce actions which preserve the global capacity to provide urgent life-saving assistance and protection, reaffirming the primacy of humanitarian principles. It will actively contribute to the development of evidence and learning in the use of voluntary humanitarian standards with partners.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity	269004

Address other groups or minorities in crisis settings

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The Sphere Project endorses the Charter on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action.	Policy	Leave No One Behind	269005

Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems

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The Sphere Project commits to maintain fully open and free access to all Sphere standards and training materials to support the integration and adaptation of voluntary standards (Humanitarian Charter, CHS, Protection Principles and technical standards) into systems and skills training so that these standards are used to improve quality and accountability in humanitarian response.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need	269001

The Sphere Project commits to promote, advocate for and build global capacity to adhere to and respect the Humanitarian Charter, Protection Principles, Core Humanitarian Standard, and the Sphere and Companion technical minimum standards in humanitarian response as an expression of the fundamental right to life with dignity. The Sphere Project commits to take all possible steps to support those governments, authorities, and regional bodies who act to integrate Sphere and Companion standards, including all elements founded on humanitarian principles and informed by international humanitarian and human rights law, into their humanitarian response frameworks, disaster reduction platforms, and national preparedness policies.

Operational

Change People's Lives: From
Delivering Aid to Ending Need

269002

Core Commitments

Leave No One Behind

LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND - A COMMITMENT TO ADDRESS FORCED DISPLACEMENT

- Commit to a new approach to addressing forced displacement that not only meets immediate humanitarian needs but reduces vulnerability and improves the resilience, self-reliance and protection of refugees and IDPs. Commit to implementing this new approach through coherent international, regional and national efforts that recognize both the humanitarian and development challenges of displacement. Commit to take the necessary political, policy, legal and financial steps required to address these challenges for the specific context.

Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

CHANGING PEOPLE'S LIVES - FROM DELIVERING AID TO ENDING NEED

- Commit to a new way of working that meets people's immediate humanitarian needs, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years through the achievement of collective outcomes. To achieve this, commit to the following: a) Anticipate, Do Not Wait: to invest in risk analysis and to incentivize early action in order to minimize the impact and frequency of known risks and hazards on people. b) Reinforce, Do Not Replace: to support and invest in local, national and regional leadership, capacity strengthening and response systems, avoiding duplicative international mechanisms wherever possible. c) Preserve and retain emergency capacity: to deliver predictable and flexible urgent and life-saving assistance and protection in accordance with humanitarian principles. d) Transcend Humanitarian-Development Divides: work together, toward collective outcomes that ensure humanitarian needs are met, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years and based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors. The primacy of humanitarian principles will continue to underpin humanitarian action.