

The H2H Network Support package: Drought in the Horn of Africa



Following the alarming drought and severe food insecurity in the Horn of Africa, the H2H Network has activated its fund mechanism to support humanitarian response efforts to better meet needs in Ethiopia, Somalia, and Kenya.

The fund quickly resources and enables the network's membership to strengthen the wider humanitarian response through the provision of technical expertise and services.

As part of the funded package, services are freely available to all responders.

Seven H2H Network members will provide support services to enable improved effectiveness in the immediate response. These broad-ranging services include increasing the accessibility and quality of information and communication, providing remote sensing and anticipatory analysis, and building community engagement and accountability. The services also support capacity-strengthening programmes, mitigation of challenges in food deliveries, as well as drought alert systems.

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Who?	What?	Contact
Insecurity Insight	Building NGO capacity to mitigate challenges in food delivery in Ethiopia and Somalia. The project develops an understanding of how conflict dynamics put aid delivery and staff at risk and how prediction and mitigation strategies can strengthen the acceptance of aid interventions.	Christina Wille , christina.wille@insecurityinsight.org
IMPACT Initiatives (REACH)	Improving the accessibility and quality of information on the drought's impact on the Kenyan population while providing remote sensing and regional analysis across the drought-affected areas in Ethiopia, Kenya and Somalia. This will support informed evidence-based decision-making for humanitarian stakeholders.	Pieter De Schepper , pieter.de-schepper@reach-initiative.org Giovanni Zagarella , giovanni.zagarella@impact-initiatives.org
CLEAR Global	Working with REACH to make language and communication data available for targeted humanitarian assistance and engagement of marginalized language communities in Somalia. Guidance on communicating across dialects of Somali, based on consultation with experts on the Somali languages and society in collaboration with Minority Rights Group International will also be developed.	Ellie Kemp , ellie.kemp@clearglobal.org

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Groundwater Relief	Setting up a pilot groundwater monitoring programme at critical water sources across the Horn of Africa. The project aims to support drought alert systems which are key to understanding what resources are available and how they are being impacted by abstraction and climate.	<p>Antoni Ros Martinez Antoni.RosMartinez@hotosm.org</p> <p>Paul Uithol Paul.Uithol@hotosm.org</p>
ACAPS	Providing analysis of the current situation of the drought in the Horn of Africa and providing anticipatory analysis of the likely future impacts of the drought in Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia.	Helene Lafferty Smith , hls@acaps.org
RedR UK	Supporting effective, local drought response and resilience of affected populations through a capacity strengthening programme in Kenya and Somalia, together with the local partner Somali Lifeline Organization. Over 130 stakeholders will be supported in areas such as drought management and resilience planning, gender-sensitive responses, and community engagement.	Katie Bitten , katie.bitten@redr.org.uk
CDAC Network	Providing technical support to strengthen collective solutions to challenges in communication, community engagement, and accountability (CCEA) in Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia. The capacity of CDAC will be formally seconded to the regional Accountability to Affected People (AAP) working group while supporting the protection working group to catalyze change in the response.	<p>Rosie Jackson, Rosie.Jackson@cdacnetwork.org</p> <p>Marian Casey-Maslen, Marian.Casey-Maslen@cdacnetwork.org</p>

The H2H Network

Getting more to people in need

The H2H Network brings together nearly 60 high-quality, independent humanitarian service providers and change agents who enable efficient, impactful and accountable aid during a crisis by facilitating and resourcing humanitarian-to-humanitarian (H2H) services for the wider system.

These independent, cross-cutting services are well-suited to address many of the gaps and challenges that continue to hamper humanitarian action in specific emergencies. Together, these organisations are leading efforts to reform and improve the global humanitarian response.

The H2H Network supports its members by enabling collaboration, fostering community, and allocating resources. In response to crises, we activate and disburse funds quickly to meet specific needs in the wider humanitarian system, as well as identify and create synergies between our members to ensure collaboration.



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