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## Dubai Future Council on Humanitarian Aid

Envisioning the future of humanitarian aid and reform humanitarian aid to build a community able to adapt and coexist with the life dynamics

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# Future Trends for Humanitarian work

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A blue-tinted photograph of a modern, curved walkway. The walkway is flanked by a series of dark, curved panels that create a strong sense of perspective and depth. In the distance, several people are walking away from the camera, their figures slightly blurred. The overall atmosphere is clean, futuristic, and minimalist.

Current Situation >>>

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According to UN emergency relief chief:

- **In 2020**, A record **168 million** people worldwide will need help and protection in crises spanning more than 50 countries.
- **In 2022**, A total of **274 million** people worldwide will need emergency aid and protection. (60% increase)

# OPPORTUNITY >>> **There is a silver lining to every crisis...**

This crisis offers an unprecedented opportunity and push to revisit and disrupt the humanitarian model for a post COVID-19 world.



# OPPORTUNITY >>>

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- **Accelerated Adoption of Technology**

It has been long argued that technology presents the opportunity to expedite and magnify the impact of humanitarian efforts through greater efficiency and responsiveness.

Expediting the deployment of technologies for good such as drones, artificial intelligence, block chain, crowdsourcing platforms, social media and mobile technology, will completely transform methods of conducting humanitarian work.

02

- **More Localized and Sustainable Humanitarian Work**

This pandemic and its related travel ban will create a stronger push to 'localize' humanitarian work towards a more sustainable humanitarian model.

It is bringing more evidence to believe that overseas aid is increasingly inefficient, ineffective and unsustainable. Strengthening the capacity of local and national workers to address their community needs will be further highlighted as the right way forward.

# OPPORTUNITY >>>

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## Proactive vs Reactive Measures

Entities will plan ahead to ensure crisis prevention rather than crisis management through identifying and reducing vulnerabilities and managing risks.

This will entail identifying vulnerabilities at the source, thus enabling collective long-term outcomes and moving away from individual silos and projects with short-term goals.

Rather than approach humanitarian work as a funding exercise, entities will focus on empowering communities, complementing the efforts of existing institutions to provide a comprehensive service to the beneficiaries.

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## Doubling Efforts in International Assistance

The pandemic has prompted countries and governments around the globe to become increasingly inward-looking. This tendency is expected to grow stronger and the willingness of the developed countries to help other countries will be minimal.

# OPPORTUNITY >>>

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## Unification and Integration

As a response to this crisis, a new sense of urgency to unify and integrate humanitarian efforts has emerged. The need to cooperate and establish joint efforts in facing humanitarian challenges is becoming more important than ever.

Entities should capitalize on this tendency and work actively in enhancing its humanitarian partnerships and synergies.



# Looking Ahead >>>

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