

21 July 2015

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. RSIS-ICRC Roundtable on Challenges to Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief in the Asia Pacific

Copthorne King's Hotel, 22 -23 July 2015

In collaboration with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), this roundtable focuses on two core HADR issues. The first part of the roundtable examines the protection of and assistance given to vulnerable communities in disaster and conflict settings. It attempts to map the emerging challenges for HADR actors and assess the effectiveness of HADR in recent years. The second part of the roundtable focuses on gender-based and sexual violence in disaster and conflict settings, with special emphasis on identifying the protection needs of victims of gender-based violence (GBV) and best practices of victim assistance and case management.

2. RSIS World Humanitarian Day Panel Discussion and Networking Session on the Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief in the Asia Pacific

The Pod @ the National Library, 19 August 2015, 6pm-9pm

The panel discussion will tackle the current nature of humanitarian engagement including the evolving landscape of complex humanitarian emergencies and international disaster relief in the Asia Pacific. It aims to provide a venue for an exchange of ideas and insights from representatives of international agencies such as the UN, the armed forces and the Red Cross, as well as international and Singaporean humanitarian NGOs. The discussion will focus on improving humanitarian action in increasingly complex emergency crises and disasters, exploring ways to uphold the rights of people in need, and sustainable solutions through new humanitarian ideas and technologies. The event will conclude with a networking session to bring together key HADR stakeholders so as to foster a culture of cooperation and more effective humanitarian assistance. This event commemorates World Humanitarian Day; a celebration of those who have given their lives to humanitarian service and the spirit that inspires humanitarian work throughout the world.

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