



New Member of the Board of Directors

Organisation

Mercy Hands Europe (MHEurope) is a women-led international non-profit organisation registered in Geneva, Switzerland, since 2019. It is the sister organisation of **Mercy Hands for Humanitarian Aid (MH)**, the biggest local NGO in Iraq founded in 2004 and based in Baghdad. They share the same vision and mission but work independent of each other and are governed by different Boards of Directors and bylaws. Together these two NGOs form the Mercy Hands' Alliance. The Mercy Hands' Alliance comprises non-profit organisations that work for conflict torn and disaster affected areas to save lives, sustain human rights and restore a healthy community. Mercy Hands is also in Annecy, France.

MHEurope's mission is to empower vulnerable people living in the disaster areas of **Iraq and Syria** through our sister organisation and local partners. We also work in **Ethiopia and Ukraine**. We focus primarily on education, protection, emergency, agriculture and livelihoods projects. We support the development and implementation of our projects with partner organisations on the ground. Our project management experience and expertise, with sustainability as a core value, and our presence in Switzerland, allow us to secure long-term sources of income and ensure capacity building of local communities. MHEurope implements humanitarian and development programs in different parts of the world, either directly through its field missions or through its sister organisation or other local partners (Iraq, Syria, Turkey, KRI, NES).

MHEurope is looking for a new member of the **Board of Directors** to strengthen its guidance and counselling capacity.



Location

Compulsory: To be based in Geneva or Switzerland.

Salary

As it is a volunteer position, it is not remunerated.

Tasks and Responsibilities

1. Participate in a monthly informal meeting and up to four official meetings a year with the entire Board (face-to-face or online);
2. Take an active part in meetings, be a force of analysis and proposal, on both strategic and operational issue;
3. Advise the staff and volunteer team with constructive criticism to improve activities;
4. Help the decision-making process in defining the bi-annual/annual and monthly targets;
5. Advocate and network for the organisation;
6. Stay informed of MHEurope activities in Geneva and in the field.

Requirements

- Relevant volunteering experience is an asset;
- **Compulsory:** To be integrated into the Swiss non-governmental community;
- **Compulsory:** Knowledge of the UN mechanism;
- Facultative: expertise in the sector of: PROTECTION, EDUCATION, WOMEN EMPOWERMENT, DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, or AGRICULTURE;
- Good knowledge of the MENA region context and needs;
- Relevant work experience in the MENA region is an asset.

How to apply

NB: Women are encouraged to apply. Do you know someone that could be interested?

You can forward the announcement.



If you are interested in this position, please send your CV and cover letter to michela.maccabruni@mercyhandseurope.org and info@mercyhandseurope.org with the following subject: **BoD member**.