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Newsletter for DG ECHO Partners – April 2016

Classroom training:

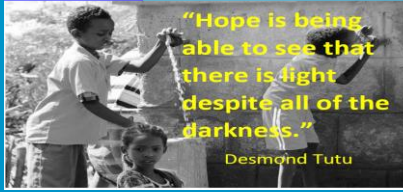
Erbil (EN): 10-14 April
Kiev (EN): 11-15 April
Nairobi (EN): 25-29 April
Yaoundé (FR): 9-13 May
Bruxelles (EN): 23-27 May
Gaziantep (EN): 23-27 May
Addis Ababa (EN): 20-24 June
Khartoum (EN): 19-23 June
Wien (EN): 27 June- 1 July

Distance learning training:

"A very short introduction to the FPA 2014";
"The Single Form PDF 2014";
"The Final Report 2014";
"The Audit Process 2014".

<http://www.dgecho-partners-helpdesk.eu/dl/start>

Do you have any visibility plan or best practice that you would like to share on visibility website? **Please send them to: visibility-helpdesk@echo-visibility.eu**



ECHO'S NEW INSTRUMENT FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE INSIDE THE EU

Between January 2015 and the end of February 2016, **over 1.1 million people** have made their way to the European Union, either escaping conflict in their country or in search of better economic prospects. The **migration and refugee crises** currently affecting the Union is a notable example of a situation where, despite the efforts undertaken by the Union to address the root causes located in third countries, the economic situation of EU Member States may be directly affected. On 15th March 2016, the European Council adopted a regulation on the provision of **emergency support within the EU**: it should provide a faster and more targeted response to major crises, including helping Member States cope with the migration and refugee crises actually affecting the Union. **Emergency assistance is complementary to Member States actions** and will be provided in close coordination with the **Member States concerned** and by **ECHO partners**. The instrument could be used for the **provision of food, shelter, emergency healthcare, WASH, protection and education** to children, women and men currently arriving in EU countries: to read the new EU Council Regulation 2016/369 click [here](#). The proposed budget for 2016 is **€300 million**. A further **€200 million** will be earmarked for use in 2017 and 2018, respectively. **Union financing may cover up to 100% of the eligible costs**. The **Emergency Support Operational Priorities** have been issued on 23th March 2016 and are available in APPEL: the first assessment round foresees an allocation of €100 million to address emergency humanitarian needs in Greece.

NEW TRAINING COURSES AND TRAINING CALENDAR!

2 new courses for DG ECHO partners will be launched in May 2016! They will mainly focus on **crises**: "All you need to know about emergency actions" (legal framework, risk assessment, coordination, rapid needs assessment and remote management) and **DG ECHO policies**: "Ensure quality in humanitarian actions" (centred on policies, and particularly concentrating on Cash & Vouchers and Disaster Risk Reduction). The new courses will be offered as a complement to the traditional courses and according to the public target. For instance, in the upcoming training in Brussels both courses will be offered while in the field, one of the courses might be replaced by the audit course. Click [here](#) to access the course offer, the information related to the training calendar and the detailed course description.

NEW VISIBILITY WEBSITE

The visual identity has recently been updated! Check the [visibility website](#) for more information! The new "Communication and Visibility Manual for European Union funded Humanitarian Aid Actions" is available in the section "[Documents](#)" and the new visual identity can be downloaded from the section "[Visual identity](#)". Remember, on each webpage you will find detailed guidance on how to ensure compliance with visibility requirements in ECHO funded Actions.



DG ECHO website:
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