

## Integral Responds to the Earthquake in Ecuador



26<sup>th</sup> April 2016

Eight Integral Members<sup>[1]</sup> are responding to the 7.8-magnitude earthquake that struck northern Ecuador at 6:58 pm local time on 16 April 2016. A further four Members are still considering how they might contribute to this Integral joint disaster response.

MAP International (USA) and Missions Alliance (Norway) have existing work in Ecuador, with their teams already on the ground, and Tearfund (UK) is working with a local partner NGO. Medair (Switzerland) has sent a scoping team to assess damage and establish urgent needs. MAP has shipped \$1.5m worth of medical supplies from the USA. Other Integral Members are supporting the operational response with fundraising campaigns and by connecting their networks with Members on the ground.

There are currently over 600 fatalities with this figure expected to rise as rescue teams reach new areas. Over 12,000 people are injured and it is estimated by government and international agencies, 520,000 Ecuadorians were directly affected by this disaster and require food assistance (source [here](#)).

Kipp Branch, Senior Partnership Development Officer at MAP International, says, "Our team is on the ground reporting that there is an urgent need for medicines and wound care items. MAP is currently working with field partners and the Integral Alliance to provide medical relief to children and families in the wake of this disaster."

Jan Eyre, Integral's Programme and Disaster Management Coordinator, says: "We will continue to facilitate the sharing of information, photos and stories, and host conference calls so that we can keep each other updated about the situation as it evolves. We have Members ready to offer technical expertise, and funding campaigns have already been launched to strengthen the response of our Members on the ground. We are confident that by sharing our resources and strengths in this way we can provide more timely assistance to those who most need it."

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Integral has 23 Members with headquarters in 14 countries.

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<sup>[1]</sup> Cedar Fund (Hong Kong), Food for the Hungry (USA), MAP International (USA), Mission Alliance (Norway), Tearfund (UK), World Concern (USA), World Relief (USA) and World Renew (USA and Canada).

Integral Members work in over 80 countries, with more than 650 local partners, in over 40 sectors and have a combined income of over \$700m USDs.

All Members sign up to the [Red Cross Code of Conduct](#) and [Sphere Standards](#), and have an agreed [Quality Standards Statement](#).

Integral Members are:

[CEDAR Fund](#) - **Hong Kong**  
[Food for the Hungry](#) – **USA**  
[Integra](#) - **Slovakia**  
[International Health Partners](#) – **UK**  
[MAP International](#) - **USA**  
[Medical Teams International](#) - **USA**  
[Medair](#) – **Switzerland**  
[Missions Alliance](#) - **Norway**  
[Mission East](#) - **Denmark**  
[SEL France](#) - **France**  
[TEAR Australia](#) – **Australia**  
[Tear-](#) **Netherlands**  
[Tearfund](#) – **Belgium**  
[Tearfund](#) - **Ireland**  
[TEAR Fund](#) – **New Zealand**  
[Tear Fund](#) - **Switzerland**  
[Tearfund](#) – **UK**  
[Transform Aid International](#) – **Australia**  
[World Concern](#) - **USA**  
[World Relief Canada](#) - **Canada**  
[World Relief](#) – **USA**  
[World Renew](#) - **Canada & USA**  
[ZOA](#) – **The Netherlands**

#### **On Integral Collaboration:**

- Integral’s goal is for all its Members to become more effective and efficient in their work and to see greater impact and reach as a result of working collaboratively.

Integral Members have a collaborative strategy for responding to disasters, with the **Integral Disaster Response Process** co-ordinating the emergency activities of its Members. The aim of the Integral DR process is to combine resources to ensure that as many people as possible are reached with the assistance they need. The Integral Secretariat plays a co-ordinating role to facilitate better communication between all Members in disaster situations with the aim of increasing support and avoiding duplication.

- For more info see [www.integralalliance.org](http://www.integralalliance.org)