

## Integral Alliance Gains a New Member



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Integral is pleased to announce that Medair has joined Integral Alliance, bringing the Integral membership total to 19 agencies with their headquarters in 13 countries. Medair is based in Switzerland.

Jim Ingram, Medair's CEO says: "Integral's vision is inspiring. Integral is working towards excellent collaboration among NGOs to deliver higher quality and larger scale response to disasters than any individual member agency could manage separately. I'm inspired that we can come together and join hands to relieve even more suffering in the midst of disaster and conflict. The focus is on the beneficiary. We can do more for beneficiaries if we join hands well. By joining others on a long-term basis, we can have a much larger positive impact in the world to better serve those who need it the most."

Michael Nyenhuis, the Chair of the Integral Board, says: "Medair brings to Integral deep experience and expertise in responding to emergencies worldwide. Additionally, the leadership of Medair has a big heart for partnership. Integral's collaborative disaster management work is strengthened even further by having this world-class agency as a full part of our Alliance."

The Integral Board, made up of the CEO's and Presidents of its Member organisations, unanimously welcomed Medair's membership of Integral at its October 2013 Board meeting.

Medair's website: [www.medair.org](http://www.medair.org)

Integral's website: [www.integralalliance.org](http://www.integralalliance.org)

### More Information about Integral:

Integral has 19 Members who work in over 85 countries and currently fund over 1100 projects in more than 30 sectors. Our Members have a combined income of over \$675m USDs and are:

[Baptist World Aid Australia](#) – **Australia**

[CEDAR Fund](#) - **Hong Kong**

[Food for the Hungry](#) – **USA**

[Integra](#) - **Slovakia**

[MAP International](#) - **USA**

[Medair](#) – **Switzerland**

[Missions Alliance](#) - **Norway**

[Mission East](#) - **Denmark**

[SEL France](#) - **France**

[TEAR Australia](#) – **Australia**

[Tear-](#) **Netherlands**

[Tearfund](#) - **Belgium**

[TEAR Fund](#) - **New Zealand**

Tear Fund - **Switzerland**

Tearfund – **UK**

World Concern - **USA**

World Relief Canada - **Canada**

World Relief – **USA**

World Renew - **Canada & USA**

### **Vision:**

- Integral’s vision is a world without poverty.
- Our mission is to work in collaboration as national relief and development agencies committed to maximising the holistic impact of our Christian response to the poor worldwide. Integral’s main focus is on working together when disasters happen, and to find opportunities for our Members to collaborate and so maximise our resources and impact following a disaster.

### **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. This means making sure that Integral Members share information and play complementary roles with the resources they have available when an emergency happens. 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.
- Integral is committed to working with the Micah Network and the World Evangelical Alliance to ensure that excellence is championed and collaboration encouraged within our wider constituencies.

In disaster situations Integral Members have previously collaborated in:

- 2013: Cyclone Mahasen (Bangladesh), North India Flooding (Utterakhand), Syrian Crisis, and Tropical Cyclone Phailin (East India)
- 2012: S. Sudan, Philippines flooding
- 2011: Cote d’Ivoire, Libya, North Korea, South Sudan, Japan earthquake, Middle East, East Africa food crisis
- 2010: Haiti earthquake, Sahel food crisis, Indonesia earthquake, Guatemala Hurricane, Pakistan floods
- 2009: Sri Lanka (internally displaced people), Pakistan floods, Asian disasters
- 2008: Kenya Unrest, China Earthquake, Myanmar Cyclone, Democratic Republic of Congo, East Africa Food Crisis, India floods
- 2007: Bangladesh Floods, Zimbabwe Humanitarian Crisis
- 2006: Indonesia Earthquake
- 2004: Indonesia Tsunami, Sri Lanka Tsunami

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