# **Protect Aid Workers**

## Middle East & North Africa Launch



Protect Aid Workers is a new initiative that supports humanitarian workers of national and international NGOs that have experienced a critical incident or are under threat due to their work as a humanitarian.

The project does this by providing grants to humanitarian NGOs to cover the cost of protection measures and postincident support to affected staff. The ultimate aim is to protect staff from further harm, support their recovery and improve their immediate and long term well-being.



### What can the Protect Aid Workers' initiative do for your staff?



#### What is it?

It is a rapid response mechanism that can provide, on short notice, financial support of up to 10,000 EUR towards incident response and protection of staff.

#### Who can apply?

All DG ECHO certified NGOs working in the Middle East and North Africa can apply for their own staff, or to support staff of a national partner NGO. It can support both national and international staff. Its primary target is national staff.

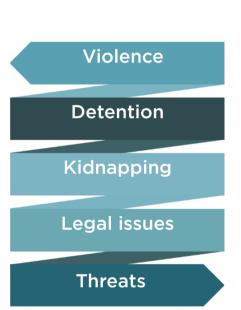


#### For what type of situations?

Incidents that take place as a result of being a humanitarian worker. These can include violent incidents against staff, detention, kidnapping of staff, legal issues, or immediate threat of harm to staff.

#### What can it fund?

Medical costs, mental health support, salary costs during the time needed for recuperation, relocation costs (in-country), loss of assets, legal and lawyers' fees, compensation to family if staff have been killed or suffered life-altering injuries.



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How to apply

Read and download the guidelines and application form by clicking <u>HERE</u>

Send your application or ask for more information: Hotline@Protectaidworkers.org