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## Online Course "Forensics Science and Disaster Management"

**Introduction:** The field of Forensic Science and Disaster Management is a critical intersection where scientific expertise meets emergency response. This Course delves into the complexities of responding to mass fatality incidents, guiding participants from the initial alert through the complex process of recovering bodies from disaster scenes. With a focus on practical aspects, the curriculum emphasizes the latest recommendations for personal protective equipment and scene protection. As participants progress, they will gain insights into the setup of autopsy rooms and body holding/examination areas. The Course also explores the critical role of forensic science in human identification and introduces the realm of forensic anthropology. Ethical and religious considerations for managing activities related to the deceased are integral aspects of this comprehensive program.

**General objective:** This Course aims to equip participants with the knowledge and skills to effectively respond to mass fatality incidents within forensic science and disaster management. By program completion, participants will understand the entire process, from alert to body recovery, and be proficient in the latest recommendations for personal protective equipment and scene protection. Practical insights into autopsy facility setup and body examination areas will be gained, fostering a deep understanding of ethical and religious considerations in managing activities related to the deceased during disasters.

**Target Group:** Emergency Responders, Humanitarian Aid Forensic Professionals, Law Enforcement personnel, Researchers, and anyone interested in disaster forensics.

**Main Topics:** Responding to mass fatality incidents, practical information on personal protective equipment, setup of autopsy rooms, significance of forensic science in human identification, introduction to forensic anthropology, ethical considerations in disaster management, religious considerations in disaster management.

**Date:** 23 February 2024, 09.00 AM - 04.00 PM (Central European Time)

**Speakers:** Prof. Nidhal Haj Salem, Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Head of the Anthropology Laboratory, Head of the Forensic Department, and Forensic Doctor - University Hospital of Monastir, Tunisia. Dr. Mohamed Amine Zaara, Forensic Doctor, Forensic Department - University Hospital of Monastir, Tunisia and Ex Forensic Specialist in the International Committee of the Red Cross. Dr. Dorra Oualha, Forensic Doctor, Forensic Department - University Hospital of Monastir and Associate Professor - Faculty of Medicine of Monastir, Tunisia. Dr. Sami Ben Jomaa, Forensic Doctor, Forensic Department - University Hospital of Monastir and Associate Professor - Faculty of Medicine of Monastir, Tunisia.

**Course Directors:** Prof. Roberto Mugavero, President, European Centre for Disaster Medicine, Prof. Nidhal Haj Salem, Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, University Hospital of Monastir, Tunisia.

**Workshop Fee:** Free of Charge

**Certificate:** An attendance certificate will be provided by the promoting organizations.

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### Agenda

Time	Content	Speaker
09.00 – 09.30	Course introduction – Prior knowledge assessment	Prof. Nidhal Haj Salem, Dr. Mohamed Amine Zaara
09.30 – 10.30	Responding to a mass fatality incident: From the alert to the recovery of the body from the disaster scene	Dr. Mohamed Amine Zaara
10.30 – 11.00	PPE and protection in the disaster scene: Practical information and latest recommendations	Dr. Dorra Oualha
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee-Break	
11.15 – 12.15	Set up an autopsy room/Body holding and examination area	Dr. Sami Ben Jomaa
12.15 – 13.30	Lunch break	
13.30 – 15.00	Forensic Science and Human identification: what to keep in mind. Introduction to the Forensic Anthropology	Prof. Nidhal Haj Salem
15.00 – 15.30	Ethical and religious considerations for MoTD activities	Dr. Mohamed Amine Zaara
15.30 – 16.00	Q&A session/End of the session	