Humanitarian Advisory Group (HAG) asked humanitarians around the world to help shape the next phase of our Humanitarian Horizons (2021-2024) research program by participating in a short survey. It provided a chance for a large group of participants to offer their views on key emerging issues and trends that will shape the sector in the coming years. This was in order to ensure that our research through the Humanitarian Horizons program is relevant to humanitarian work on the ground and answer the most pressing questions faced by the sector. The finds from this survey are presented below.

**WHERE ARE THEY BASED**
Responses received from humanitarian actors based in **53 countries**

**WHERE THEIR WORK IS FOCUSED**
Top 7 regions and number of survey respondents

**WHERE THEY WORK**
Type of organisation

- International NGOs and UN agencies: 276
- Local NGOs; CSOs; and NGO networks: 208
- Private sector/ consultants/ think tanks: 60
- Academic institutions: 28
- Donors governments: 25
- Red Cross/ Red Crescent Movement: 18
- National government (Asia and Pacific): 13
RESEARCH FOCUS AND WEIGHTED RANKING (OUT OF 9)

RESEARCH PRIORITIES BY GROUP

- **LOCAL NGOs; CSOs; and NGO networks**
  - Local leadership
  - Mapping people and power
  - Greening the system
  - COVID kick back
  - Elevating ethics
  - Risk and reality
  - Fragility and conflict
  - Disrupting the system
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### MOST USEFUL TYPES OF RESEARCH PRODUCTS

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### RESEARCH OUTPUT PREFERENCES BY GROUP

#### Local NGOs; CSOs; and NGO networks
- Training: 71%
- Tools for practical application: 65%
- Research reports: 61%
- Short research briefs or think pieces: 49%
- Videos: 38%
- Guidance notes: 38%

#### Internationals NGO and UN agencies
- Short research briefs or think pieces: 67%
- Tools for practical application: 66%
- Training: 54%
- Guidance notes: 48%
- Research reports: 47%
- Infographics: 45%

#### Donor Governments
- Training: 67%
- Short research briefs or think pieces: 63%
- Tools for practical application: 58%
- Research reports: 50%
- Organisational audits on thematic areas: 38%
- Infographics: 29%