

## MUSTAFA TALHA KESKIN

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### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Born November 25th, 1990 in Afyonkarahisar / Turkey  
Citizenship: Turkey  
Marital status: Married  
Current city: Istanbul

### WORK HISTORY

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- 01.01.2024 – PRESENT **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DIRECTOR**  
[International Grants, Coordination and Partnerships \(IHH\)](#)
- 01.03.2020 – 31.12.2023 **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR**  
[International Grants, Coordination and Partnerships \(IHH\)](#)
- 01.10.2016 – 29.02.2020 **INT'L RELATIONS & HUM. DIPLOMACY COORDINATOR**  
[IHH Humanitarian Relief Foundation](#)
- 01.10. 2015 – 30.09.2016 **MENA DESK / FOREIGN AFFAIRS**  
[IHH Humanitarian Relief Foundation](#)

### EDUCATION

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- 2021 – 2024 **Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies**  
[Humanitarian Action \(Master of Advanced Studies\)](#)
- 2016 - 2020 **ANADOLU UNIVERSITY**  
[International Relations \(Undergraduate\)](#)
- 2005 - 2009 **AFYON SCIENCE SCHOOL**  
[High School](#)

### LANGUAGE

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**TURKISH - NATIVE**  
**ENGLISH - EXCELLENT (PROFESSIONAL)**  
**ARABIC - GOOD (PROFESSIONAL)**  
**FRENCH - BEGINNER (A2)**

- [DIALOGUE LANGUAGE SCHOOLS – ENGLISH ADVANCED LEVEL CERTIFICATE \(TURKEY\)](#)
- [CASTLE SCHOOL OF ENGLISH - ENGLISH ADVANCED LEVEL CERTIFICATE \(UNITED KINGDOM\)](#)
- [AKDEM ISTANBUL – ARABIC ADVANCED LEVEL CERTIFICATE \(TURKEY\)](#)
- [DIFFERENT DIMENSION – ARABIC ADVANCED LEVEL CERTIFICATE \(JORDAN\)](#)
- [INSTITUT FRANÇAIS DE TURQUIE – A1 LEVEL CERTIFICATE](#)

## TRAINING

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JUNE 2022	<b>HUMANITARIAN ADVOCACY</b> <a href="#">Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies</a>
JUNE 2022	<b>CASH &amp; VOUCHER ASSISTANCE IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION</b> <a href="#">Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies</a>
MAY 2022	<b>NEGOTIATION IN HUMANITARIAN CRISES</b> <a href="#">Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies</a>
MAY 2022	<b>MEDIA &amp; AID ORGANISATIONS</b> <a href="#">Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies</a>
APR 2022	<b>QUALITY ASSURANCE OF HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS (CAS)</b> <a href="#">Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies</a>
DEC 2021	<b>DIPLOMA OF ADVANCED STUDIES IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION (DAS)</b> <a href="#">Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies</a>
APR 2021	<b>SPHERE STANDARTS INTO ACTION</b> <a href="#">Sphere Project, Online</a>
FEB 2021	<b>INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS MANAGEMENT</b> <a href="#">University of Geneva, Coursera</a>
NOV 2020	<b>PROJECT CYCLE MANAGEMENT</b> <a href="#">Geneve Centre of Humanitarian Studies, Online</a>
FEB 2018	<b>GOVERNANCE, RISK AND COMPLIANCE TRAINING</b> <a href="#">HCM International, Zurich</a>
OCT 2018	<b>ENHANCING HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE</b> <a href="#">Islamic Development Bank, Istanbul</a>
DEC 2018	<b>HUMANITARIAN DIPLOMACY TRAINING</b> <a href="#">DiploFoundation, Malta University</a>
DEC 2018	<b>INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW</b> <a href="#">Jinan University, Beirut</a>
NOV 2017	<b>THE SPHERE TRAINING</b> <a href="#">Osman Consultancy, United Kingdom</a>
DEC 2017	<b>SAFETY &amp; SECURITY TRAINING FOR NGOS</b> <a href="#">Custodia Solutions, Istanbul</a>
DEC 2017	<b>NELSON MANDELA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME</b> <a href="#">Sinan Wren Foundation, Istanbul</a>
JUL 2017	<b>MANAGEMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS</b> <a href="#">USAID &amp; IMC, Tunis</a>
FEB 2016	<b>JOURNALISM</b> <a href="#">Istanbul Media Academy, Istanbul</a>

## ABOUT

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I started working in the humanitarian sector as a volunteer in 2012. I volunteered for 10 different missions in different countries for 3 years. In 2015 I started working as a professional humanitarian worker in MENA desk of IHH. After 2 years of experience in programmes and field in 2017 I moved to international relations and humanitarian diplomacy. During that period, I focused on humanitarian advocacy, negotiation, policy, coordination, and relations while increasing my knowledge and experience on governance, compliance,

risk, and project cycle management. At the beginning of 2020 I led the creation of a new department at IHH: International Funding and Partnerships. I was the key focal person to create the partnership with OCHA for Syria Cross-Border Humanitarian Fund such as completing the due diligence process, establishing the coordination office in Gaziantep, hiring the coordination and project teams, establishing the relations with respective stakeholders. I hired and managed the teams which developed the proposals funded by OCHA. Also, I directly managed a project while supervising the other two in last 3 years. I completed my master study on humanitarian action. I attended countless humanitarian events and I have a broad understanding on international humanitarian relief mechanisms. I continue to work as a International Relations Director since the beginning of 2024.

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## **IN HOUSE RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **Governance, Risk and Compliance Commission**
- **Human Rights Commission**
- **Representative of IHH in the UN Geneva Office**
- **Policy Management Commission**
- **International Programmes**
- **Donor Relations & Partnerships**

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## **KEY WORKING AREAS**

- International Relations
- International Humanitarian System
- International Funding Mechanisms & Donor Relations
- Implementing & Monitoring Projects Abroad
- Governance & Compliance & Risk
- International Humanitarian Law & Human Rights
- Coordination & Cooperation
- Networking & Membership with Umbrella Organizations
- High Level Advocacy & Representation
- Management of Civil Society Organizations
- Policy & Advocacy

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## **EXPERIENCE ON ABROAD MISSIONS AND EVENTS**

### **Meetings & Research & Events in Different Countries**

**Japan, Romania, Bulgaria, Austria, Denmark, Sweden, Poland, Qatar, Switzerland, Bangladesh, Spain, France, Italy, United Kingdom, Belgium, Indonesia, Malaysia.**

### **Projects in Refugee Camps**

**Myanmar, Lebanon, Jordan, Bangladesh, Iraq, Syria, Sudan.**

### **Field Projects**

**Gambia, India, Thailand, Tunis, Nepal, Morocco, Philippines, Ecuador, Colombia, Peru, Lebanon, Pakistan.**