



Sphere
for life with dignity

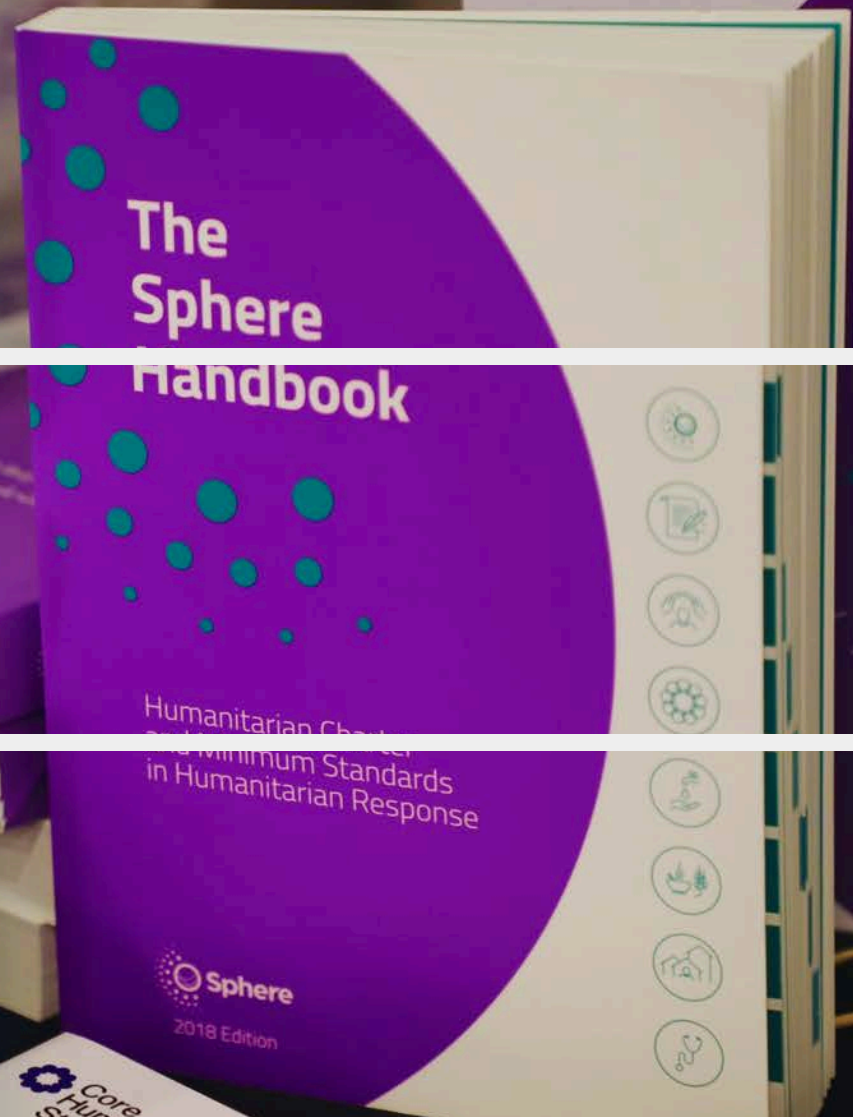
#HumanitarianStandardsSaveLives

HUMANITARIAN STANDARDS SAVE LIVES

By supporting Sphere, you ensure life with dignity for crisis-affected people.

Sphere Standards ensure quality and accountable response in Water, Food, Health and Shelter.

The Sphere Handbook distils decades of expertise in crisis response into one guide.



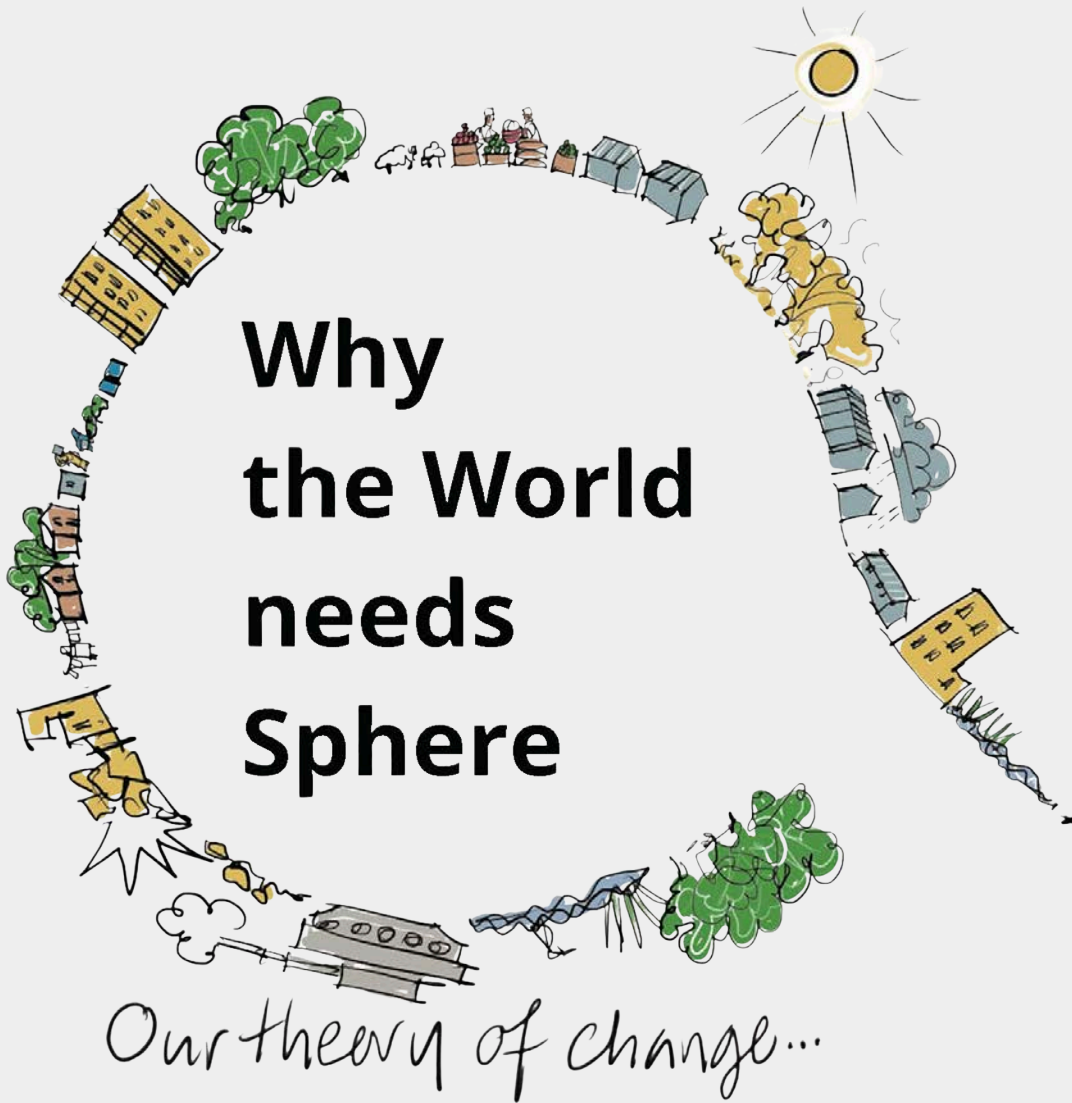
VISION

Crisis-affected people actively participate in decisions and actions which impact them; have what they need to survive and recover with dignity; and are resilient to future crises.



MISSION

Sphere defines, promotes and applies humanitarian principles and minimum standards to ensure lifesaving, protective and accountable response to crisis.



Why the World needs Sphere

Our theory of change...



Read Sphere's [theory of change](#)

We achieve our mission through our four strategic priorities.

The Sphere Handbook

Policy & Advocacy

Champions Network

Strategic Partnerships

SPHERE'S GLOBAL REACH*

184,000

Visitors to the [Sphere](#) and [HSP](#) websites

Hundreds of thousands of crisis responders are using Sphere standards everyday!

101,000

Sphere newsletter subscribers

59,000

Downloads from the [Sphere website](#)

57,000

Consultations of the [Interactive Handbook](#)

47,000

Social media followers

41,000

Views on the [Sphere YouTube channel](#)

35,000

Sphere Handbooks printed since 2018

22,000

Devices installed with [HSP App](#)

6,500

New registrations on [Sphere's learning platform](#)

200

[Sphere Calendar](#) events



*Per year

Sphere supports a rights-based, people-centred response, ensuring that all those affected by crisis have the right to life with dignity



**Humanitarian Principles:
Advocating for dignity in crisis**

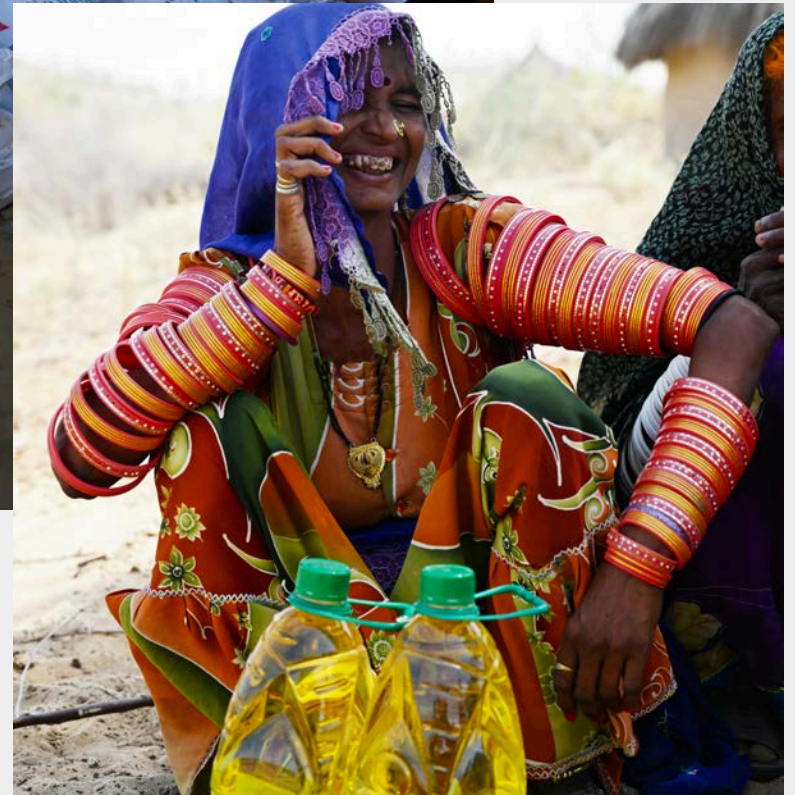
Clean water,
safe
communities
with Sphere



Sphere Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene Promotion standards help people access safe and sufficient water, as well as prevent the spread of disease.



Food security & Nutrition



Sphere Food standards are used in food distributions to ensure that the basic nutritional needs of people affected by crisis are met.



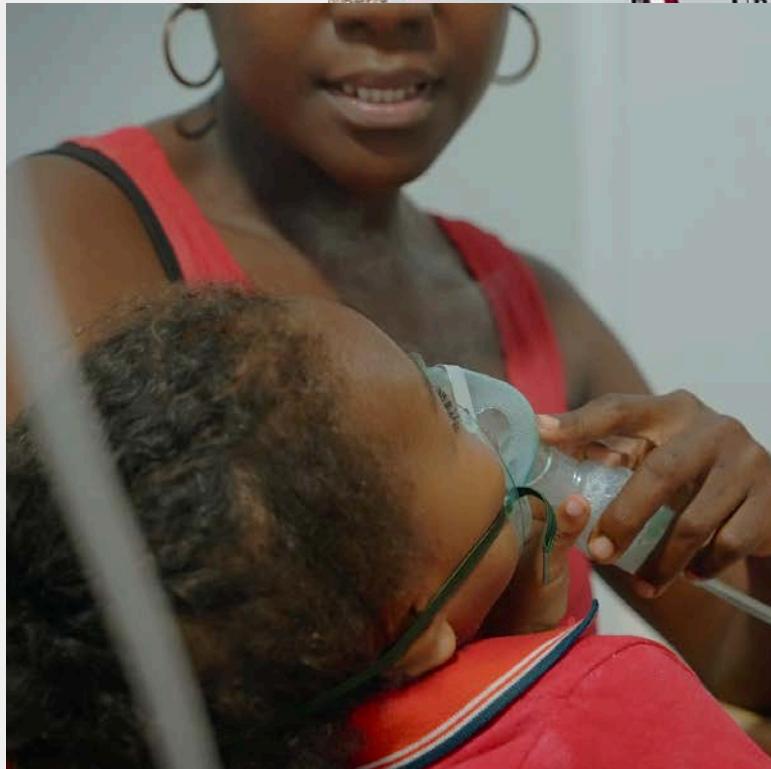
**Safe shelter,
stronger
futures**



**Sphere Shelter and
Settlement
standards are used
to plan and organise
refugee camps.**

**Shelters save lives,
and provide families
with a safe place to
live and engage
with others.**

Healthcare
for all, when
it matters
most



Sphere Health Systems and Healthcare standards prevent and reduce deaths in a crisis, through access to life-saving healthcare.

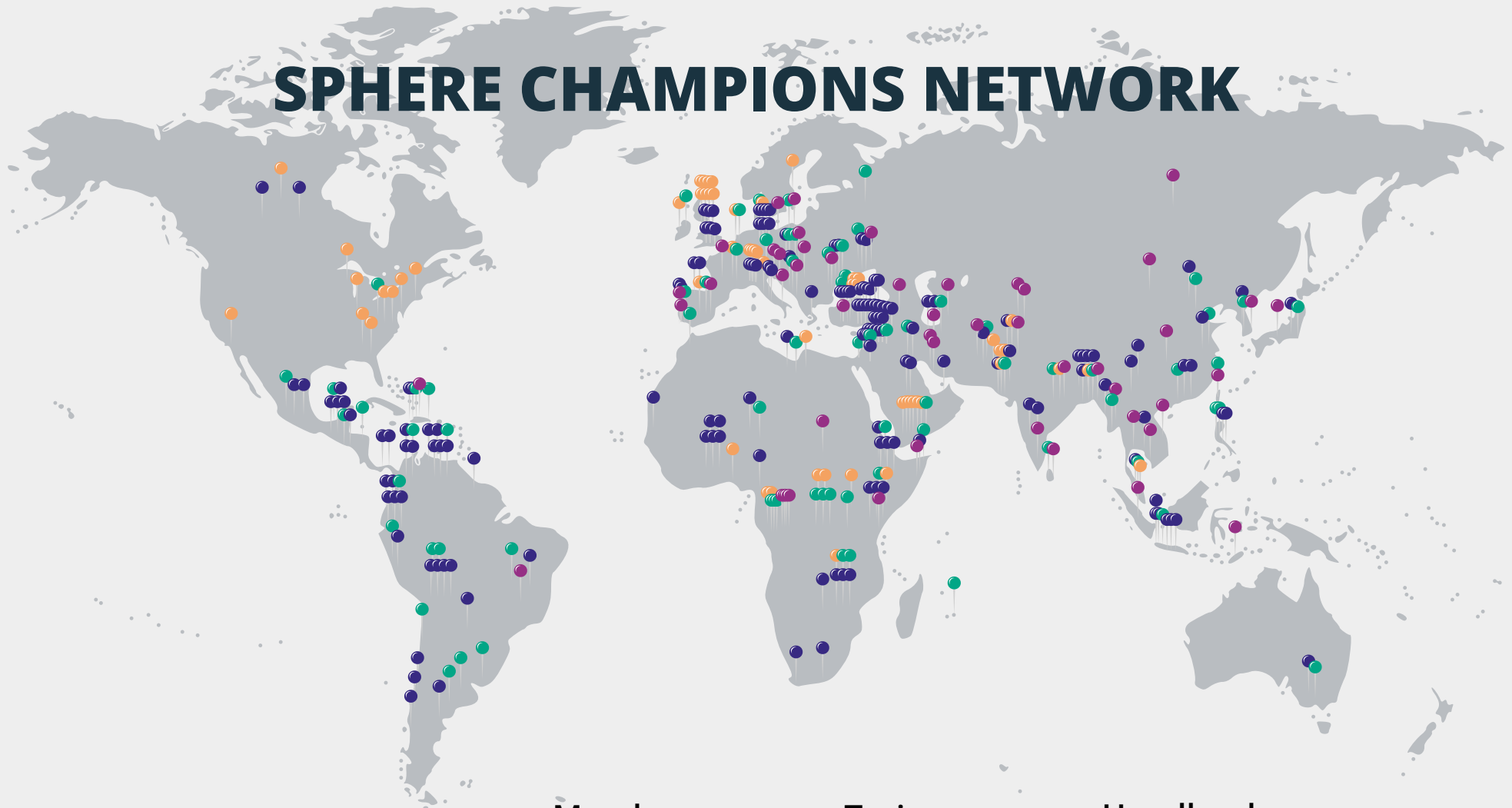


**Locally led
decision
making**

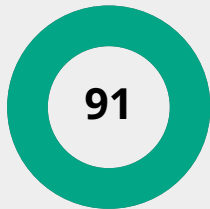


**Sphere Standards
ensure
communities are
meaningfully
involved in
decisions about
aid, helping people
meet their needs
effectively and
with dignity.**

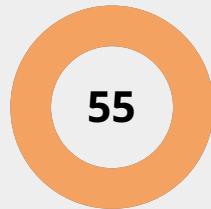
SPHERE CHAMPIONS NETWORK



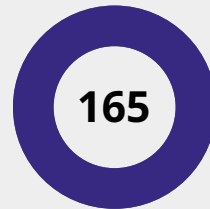
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Points



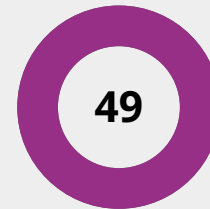
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Trainers

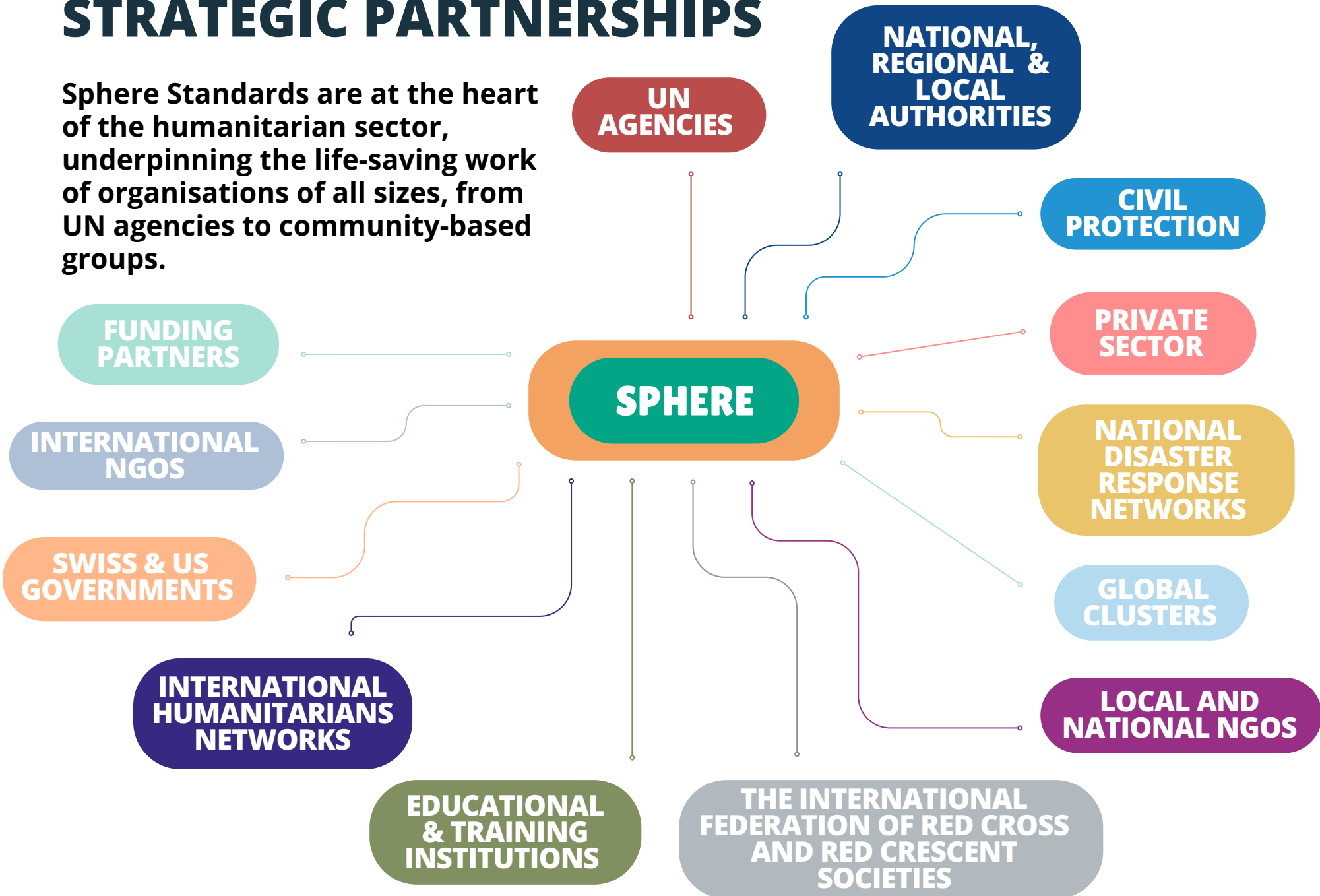


Handbook
Languages



STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

Sphere Standards are at the heart of the humanitarian sector, underpinning the life-saving work of organisations of all sizes, from UN agencies to community-based groups.



LOOKING FORWARD

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

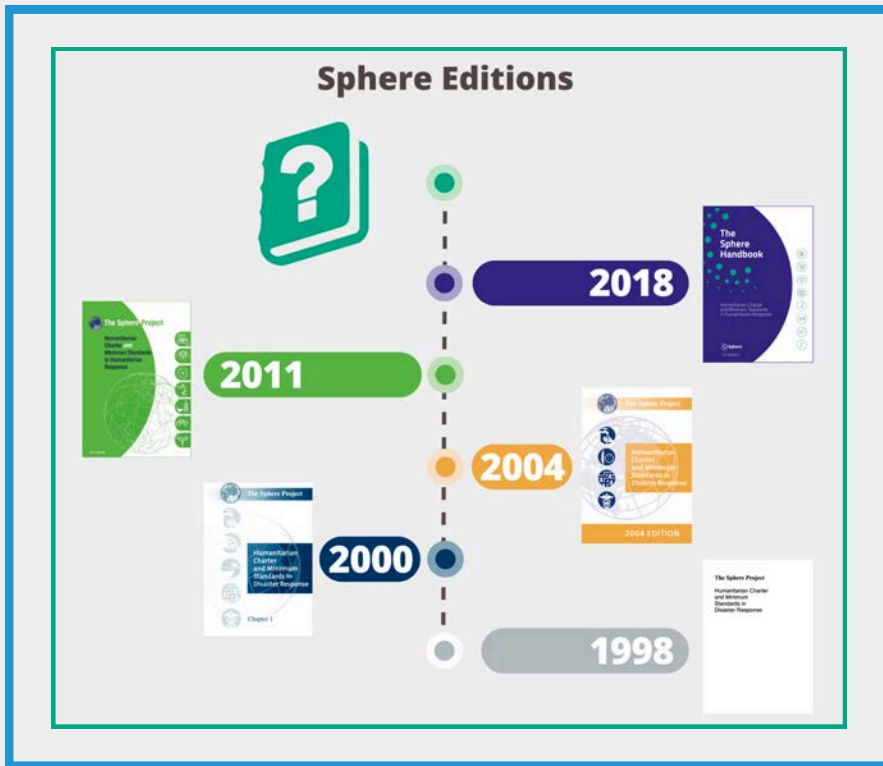
Sphere is ensuring that humanitarian standards develop in tandem with AI - focusing on AI safety and literacy training for humanitarians.



NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS (NBS)

Sphere is the leading provider of NbS guidance for humanitarians.

In partnership with IFRC and IUCN, Sphere published the [Nature-based Solutions for Climate Resilience in Humanitarian Action](#) guide in 2023, and a released the [NbS for humanitarians](#) e-learning course in 2024.

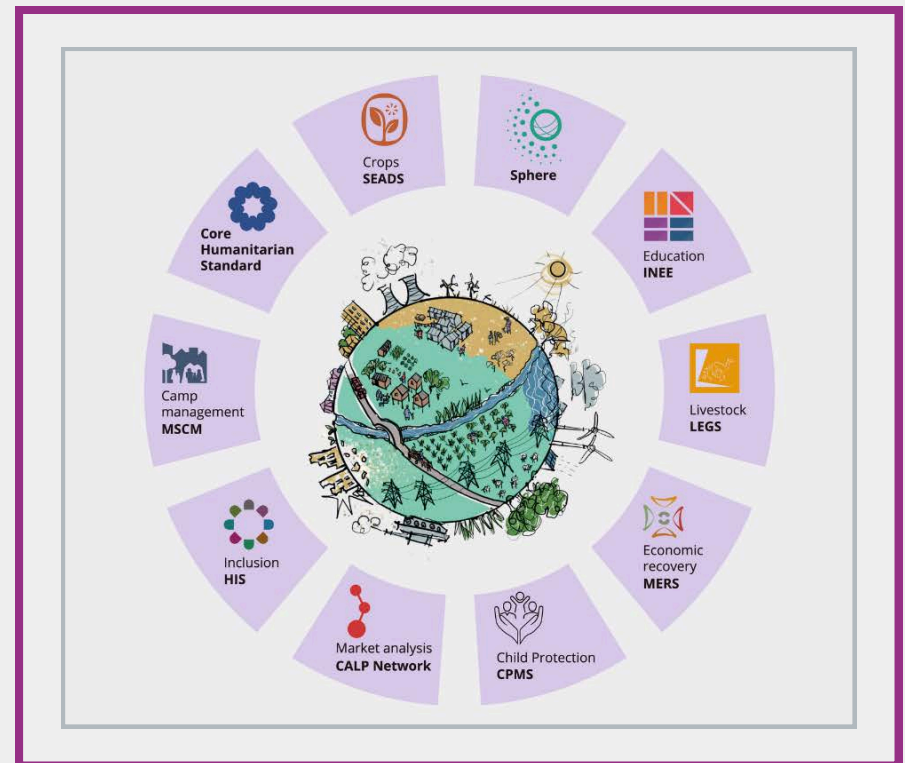


THE NEXT SPHERE HANDBOOK

In 2025 Sphere starts work on the 6th edition of the Sphere Handbook, in response to demand from the global humanitarian community. We're excited about the new content, as well as a new format. Watch this space!

HUMANITARIAN STANDARDS PARTNERSHIP (HSP)

Sphere hosts the **HSP**, the network for key standard-setting organisations in the humanitarian sector. Together, the HSP works towards quality and accountability by developing cross-sectoral use of standards.



SUPPORT HUMANITARIAN STANDARDS AND SAVE LIVES

If you are passionate about defending the rights of people to live with dignity and receive humanitarian assistance, support Sphere.



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