



Sphere Webinar Evaluation: Intregrating Humanitarian Standards in Disaster Simulation Exercises 11.12.23

Background

Sphere organised the webinar [Integrating Humanitarian Standards in Disaster Simulation Exercises](#) and on 11 December 2023. The webinar was led by Sphere trainer Aya Yagan, with an introduction by William Anderson, Executive Director of Sphere. Invited speakers were:

Vlatko Jovanovsky, DPPI-SEE (Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Initiative – South Eastern Europe) and Haris Magrdžija, Red Cross Society of Bosnia and Herzegovina, presenting lessons learnt from DPPI FLEX 2023, Bosnia.

Phil Crook and Patrick Dresch, University of Portsmouth, presenting lessons learnt from The Simex Series, UK

Attendance

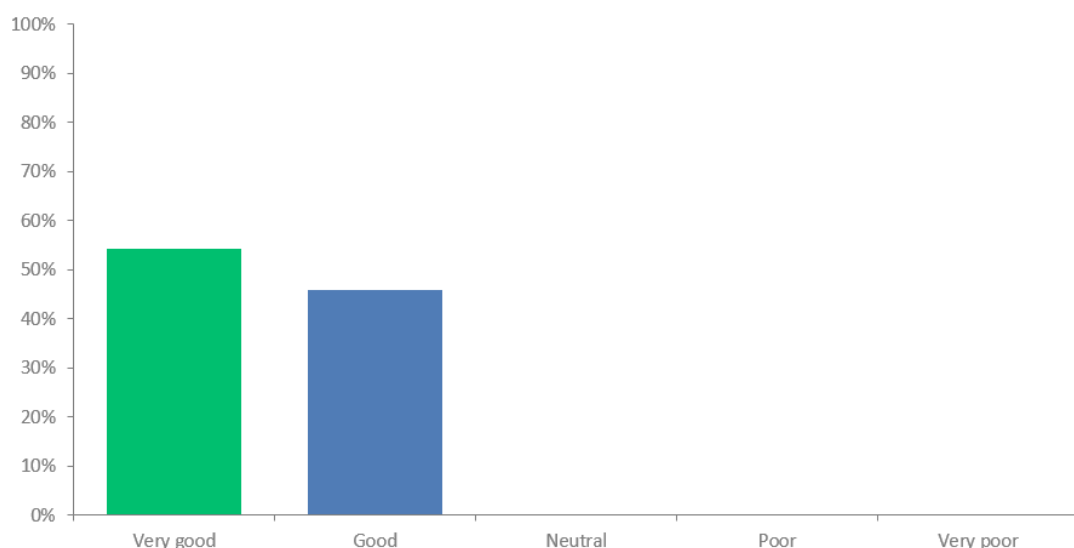
247 people registered for the webinar. 101 participants attended over the course of the session, with 70 participants staying to the end.

Sphere sent a post event survey to all participants, of whom 24 replied. This report presents those replies.

Overall opinion of webinar

Q1: How would you rate the event overall?

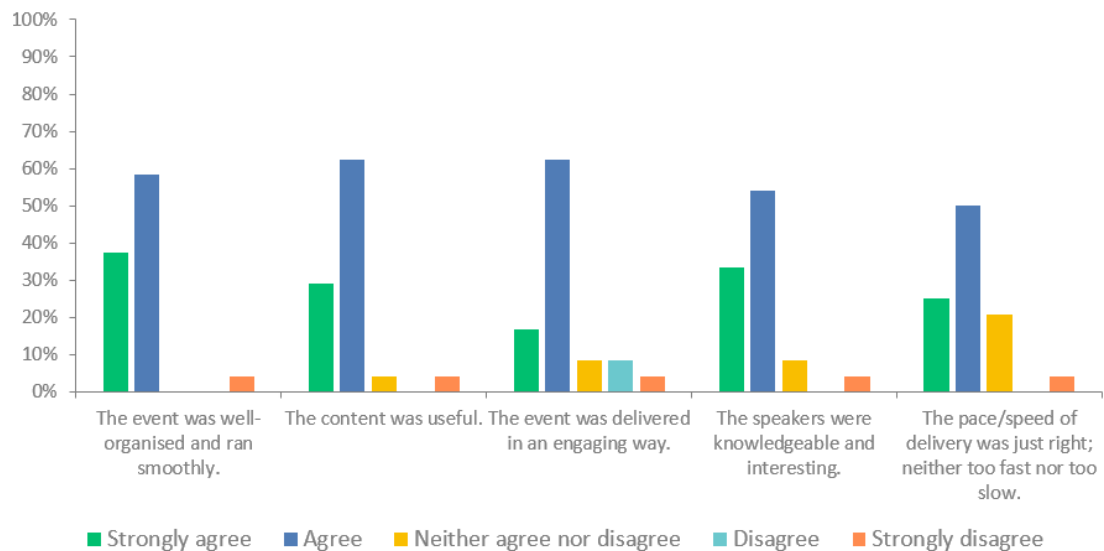
Answered: 24 Skipped: 0



Opinion of different aspects of the webinar

Q2: To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 0



What people liked most about the event

Real life experiences
The punctuality, the formalism how it was carried out.
The content is good
The quality of the information provided
The experience
The online event helped us, even when we got stuck in the traffic, be able to make it in the event because Zoom is very effective even via mobile. Thank you for arranging this via Zoom.
New ideas presented
Great participation all over the globe.
Everything is good
I liked the opportunity to interact with the exhibitors and learn about their experience thanks to Felicity.
Wide range of experiences
It's good to learn about the recent activities about Sphere since I have been away from any update for a while
Learn about experiences, applying humanitarian standards in simulations
Sharing of steps, process, tips and experience of planning and organizing Simex and TTX.
Option for simulation based on the needs and objectives
Giving practical insights in a SIMEX. Very good technical knowledge on how to run a full SIMEX. It clearly showed that priorities are agencies and not people affected. It was a good showcase of our sector.
I appreciated more the chat interaction than the exposition itself

What we could better next time

Perhaps give the speakers a little more time, so that they can expand on their exercises and discuss their recommendations more.
Translate to spanish
Can also share handout/readings in advance. But all are helpful. Thank you.
Provide content in other languages
Incorporate experiences or experts who have also attended fire situations, because they are events that will now be more frequent or that at least are becoming more frequent in the Amazon region, affecting indigenous peoples.
The schedule was very tight - I would prefer it if so much content was spread over two sessions so that there is more time to reflect and discuss the trainings.
There were some acronyms that have been used and weren't clear for me. Probably it's me because I have been absent from any update related to Sphere activity. So, if you could clarify the acronyms during the session would be appreciated.
Invite other participants from other countries to share their experiences.
Having diversity in facilitators' team and bringing experiences from global south
More time
This was more of a lecture. No problem
We really need a moment for everyone to just come forward and discuss what was presented. Exposition should be half of the webinar and discussion the other half. It was really rich