



## A world in need of help - the humanitarian crises

Alarming, the need for humanitarian support is staggering, with roughly one in every 23 individuals worldwide, approximately 350 million people, requiring assistance—a figure that continues to rise, exacerbated by conflicts such as the Israel-Hamas war and the Russian invasion of Ukraine. As projections indicate an improbable resolution to the climate crisis by 2050, the demand for humanitarian aid may indeed double by then, underscoring the urgency of action. Tragically, only half of those in dire need actually receive the assistance they require.

Engineers, long recognized for their pivotal role in crisis response, have been at the forefront since the establishment of organisations like RedR in the 1980s by personalities such as Peter Guthrie, who was pivotal in aiding Vietnamese refugees.

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### About the Speaker

**Professor Robert F Care AM Hon FIEAust FEng FTSE FRSN** Robert had over 37 years at Arup Group, where he held leadership roles across the globe.

He was Chief Engineer at the National Capital Development Commission and the Head of Public Works ACT. Robert now identifies as a Humanitarian Engineer (anticipating future recognition of that practice from Engineers Australia).

He was awarded an AM in 2012, named UNSW International Alumni of the Year in 2013, and was Engineers Australia's Professional Engineer of the Year in 2014. He became a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering UK in 2015, an Honorary Fellow of Engineers Australia in 2018, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of NSW in 2020. He is Chair of RedR Australia, Chair of RedR International, and Chair of the EA RedR Technical Society.



#### Date & time

27 June 2024 | Dinner 6.30 to 7.30 pm AEST  
Webinar 7.30 to 8.30 pm AEST

#### Venue

Online and in-person, Springs Room,  
Mittagong RSL

#### Tickets (inc GST):

##### In person Seminar or Webinar

EA/IPWEA Members, Invited Guests & students \$0.00, Non-Members \$30

##### Webinar + Dinner

EA/IPWEA Members, Invited Guests & students \$41, Non-members \$71

#### Registrations close

Dinner + Seminar 11.45 pm AEST Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June  
Webinar 7.30 pm AEST 27<sup>th</sup> June