To address these shortfalls, iMMAP maintains a roster of rapidly deployable information management experts to provide surge capacity support in emergency operations through the Stand-By Partnership Programme (SBPP). iMMAP maintains global level SBPP agreements with nine UN agencies.

Highly skilled Information Management Officers (IMOs) are called upon to help organizations improve the quality, timeliness, use, and sharing of critical humanitarian response data. However, at times of sudden surge in needs for skilled IM personnel, the UN’s international emergency response mechanism faces further challenges in finding and deploying these resources in a timely and sustained manner.

The United Nations responds to many human-made and natural crises around the world. Every crisis is different, and the UN needs preparedness for unexpected changes and new situations.

The lack of trusted decision-making data on which to base decisions has a direct impact on the lives and livelihoods of beneficiaries; it can affect the allocation and delivery of scarce financial and material resources, and it impedes the development of a clear common operating picture to formulate effective response strategy and policy.

Better Data, Better Decisions, Better Outcomes

Number of deployments and requests by partners by year

Deployments

Requests
Global SBP current countries of deployment

Skills
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Web development
- Database design and development
- Data analysis and dissemination
- Geospatial analysis
- Data visualization
- Systems analysis and design
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Humanitarian coordination

IM experts with sectoral specialization in:
- Epidemiology
- Public Health
- WASH
- Urban analysis
- Urban profiling
- Coordination

Languages
- English
- French
- Russian
- Spanish
- Arabic
- Hindi
- Urdu
- Italian
- Portuguese
- Swahili
- Others

Number of deployments by sector since 2012

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