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Head of Regional delegation to the UK & Ireland to the ICRC

Helen Alderson oversees the ICRC’s relationship with the UK Government on humanitarian policy, humanitarian law in armed conflict, and the UK’s support of the ICRC in its worldwide operations. Prior to her London role, Helen was Director of Financial Resources and Logistics on the ICRC’s Executive Team in Geneva.

Rakesh Bharania
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Pierre Gentile  
Head of Protection of the Civilian Population at the ICRC

Pierre Gentile works at ICRC’s headquarters in Geneva as the head of the Protection of the Civilian Population Unit. In 2008 and 2009 he oversaw a project to elaborate and disseminate professional standards for protection work for the sector as a whole, working in consultation with many humanitarian and human rights actors. Since September 2011, he has worked on the update of these standards with the support of different humanitarian organizations. Over the last couple of years, he has also supervised the development of 19 training modules for ICRC staff working on protection.

Laurent Gisel  
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Nathaniel Gleicher  
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Nathaniel Gleicher is an engineer and a lawyer, and works at the intersection of technology, policy, and law. He has taught computer programming, built and secured computer networks, prosecuted cybercrime at the US Department of Justice, and served as Director for Cybersecurity Policy at the National Security Council (NSC) in the White House. At the NSC, he developed US government policy on key technology and cybersecurity challenges, including encryption, cyber deterrence, internet governance, and network security. Since leaving government, Nathaniel served as head of cybersecurity strategy at Illumio, and is currently the Head of Cybersecurity Policy at Facebook.
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**Eireann Leverett**  
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**Charlotte Lindsey-Curtet**  
*ICRC Director of Digital Transformation and Data*

Charlotte Lindsey-Curtet has assumed the role of Director of Digital Transformation and Data after eight years as Director of Communication and Information Management. Her responsibilities include developing the ICRC’s data model, data analytics and data governance; the design, testing and build of the ICRC’s capacity for digital response, services and engagement with stakeholders; and enabling the ICRC’s capacity for digital transformation in relation to internal functioning. Charlotte Lindsey-Curtet has a degree in business studies and a master’s degree in communication management. She is author of Women facing War.

**Bill Marczak**  
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Bill Marczak is a Senior Research Fellow at Citizen Lab, a co-founder of Bahrain Watch, and a Postdoctoral Researcher at UC Berkeley, where he received his PhD in Computer Science under the advisorship of Vern Paxson. His work focuses on novel technological threats to Internet freedom, including new censorship and surveillance tools. His expertise is in Internet scanning and conducting digital investigations. Coverage of his work has been featured in Vanity Fair, the New York Times, the Washington Post, on CNN, and on Larry King.

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*Director of Protection at Interaction*

Jenny McAvoy is InterAction’s Director of Protection, responsible for developing and leading collaborative efforts of InterAction’s members and other inter-agency fora to enhance humanitarian protection. Her expertise and current focus encompasses policy and programming; strengthening compliance with IHL and human rights law through humanitarian action; humanitarian access, negotiation, and adherence to humanitarian principles; UN integration; and the protection of civilians in armed conflict, including in relation to the roles of UN political and peacekeeping missions. Previously, Jenny worked with local, national and international NGOs in field operations primarily in Southeast Asia and in Sudan.
Matt Mitchell
Director of Digital Safety & Privacy at Tactical Tech

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Nathaniel A. Raymond is a Lecturer at the Jackson Institute for Global Affairs. His research interests have focused on the human rights and human security implications of information communication technologies (ICTs) for vulnerable populations, particularly in the context of armed conflict. He previously was a humanitarian aid worker with Oxfam America, serving in the field in Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, and the US Gulf Coast in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

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Martin Searle specialises in the use of new technologies in humanitarian response, focusing both on what technology can do for humanitarianism in an operational sense, and what it may do to humanitarianism as a principle-based practice. He is an Associate Research Fellow on the Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Programme, Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University in Singapore. He previously spent 6 years with the international medical humanitarian organisation MSF on a mixture of conflict response, healthcare exclusion, HIV and TB treatment, and migrant and asylum issues.

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Christopher Tuckwood is the co-founder and executive director of the Sentinel Project, a Canadian NGO dedicated to assisting communities threatened by mass atrocities through direct cooperation with the people in harm’s way and the innovative use of technology. He has focused on leading Una Hakika, which is the Sentinel Project’s mobile phone-based information service which monitors and counters incendiary rumours linked to intercommunal violence in Kenya. Chris also helped to replicate this misinformation management model in Myanmar, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Uganda. Chris has also worked on developing the Hatebase online hate speech monitoring initiative.

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Tom is a PhD student in the Department of Human Centred Design and Engineering at the University of Washington in Seattle. His current research interests are in information locality, and how proximity to an emerging crisis or breaking news event shapes online user behaviour and information sharing. With CoSSaR, Tom is working on a project investigating information sharing during the 2016 Cascadia Rising Disaster Exercise, identifying the cause and effect of barriers to information sharing between various agencies during a large scale disaster.