

## Review of: "International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) in Humanitarian Field: why and how to engage with Planetary Health?"

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This article is an interesting opinion article addressing untouched issues regarding the work of humanitarian aid organizations. In this article the authors discuss the implementation of the concept of planetary health in the agenda of humanitarian aid organizations. The authors succeeded to a great extent in discussing the broad outlines of different aspects of this topic. I will appreciate it if the authors consider the following comments in case of reviewing the article:

- 1-The paper highlighted the problems facing humanitarian workers in applying the concept of planetary health and raised more questions than providing real answers. For example, how humanitarian workers can apply the concept of planetary health to their daily work on earth.
- 2-The authors did not discuss in detail the role of the local governmental sector in dealing with climate while taking into consideration the concept of planetary health and details of collaboration of local and international NGOs with the local governmental sectors in dealing with the crisis.
- 3-The collaboration of humanitarian workers and local and international industry societies was not discussed in detail in the article by the authors.
- 4-The interaction between humanitarian organizations and international funding agencies was touched lightly in the article .As a matter of fact this point is the cornerstone in the work of the organizations working in the humanitarian field. This point should be discussed in the future work by the authors detailing the available funding agencies and its funding terms and methods to guarantee equity in giving funds to different regions of the world without restrictions due to political considerations.
- 5-What are the suggestions of the authors to coordinate the collaboration between local ,regional ,international medical associations from one side and the international and local NGOs working in the humanitarian aid field on the other side to implement the concept of planetary health in their work?

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