



Dr Dolapo Fakuade (Dolas)

Dr Dolapo Fakuade (Dolas) is a Crisis Management Expert. She is an Assistant Professor at Rabdan Academy; the Security and Safety Institution in the UAE, as well as visiting Professor at Universities in Australia and the United States of America.

Dolas is a 'Pracademic'; who maintains active professional and academic careers in Crisis and Emergency Management. She has teaching, training and facilitating experience in the New Zealand, UK, US, Japan, Australia, Germany, Turkey, Bulgaria, Thailand, Jordan, and other countries. Until 2020, she was the Director of the New Zealand arm of International Training Centre for Authorities and Leaders (CIFAL), University of Newcastle, Australia. CIFAL is an affiliate of United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR). In the last decade, Dr Dolapo worked, and advised on different crisis management, response, disaster resilience, and community-focused projects in different countries in Europe, Middle East, and Asia. She worked in collaboration with the Fire Service, Police, Red Cross, Civil Defense, Government entities (Local, Regional and National) in UK, Australia and New Zealand as well as international via UNESCO, UNICEF and UNITAR.

Dolas worked with the Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire Resilience Partnership team in 2012 to review and recommend personal resilience measures to enhance capabilities for response in cities and wider region in the UK. In addition to the recommendations, she designed a training package for the partnership used to teach communities in high risk and hazard-prone areas. From 2014 to 2017 she worked at the

University of Canterbury (UC) to support and lead a DRM capacity development programme for senior government officials in ASEAN countries. As required on the project funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT), she designed series of disaster response capacity development courses, as well as facilitated and taught courses during the programme.

In 2016, ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance Centre (AHA Centre) trainees voted Dolapo as one of the best facilitators of the 6-month ACE programme taught and delivered by different international organizations including the UN, WHO, Red Cross etc. During the ACE programme, she delivered two training workshops on; enhancing emergency response through leadership theories and styles, and exercise design and management; a mechanism for improving response readiness. Part of her role at the Centre for Risk, Resilience and Renewal at UC also included leading the partnership between UC and Singapore Civil Defence Forces (SCDF). During this period, she co-designed the 'Leadership Programme in Disaster Management' (LPDM) with SCDF and taught a couple of sessions of the programme in Singapore.

Since 2013, Dolas consulted, and was a research fellow, adjunct, or visiting professor at 8 universities in Europe and Australasia advancing learning, and crisis, disaster, resilience and humanitarian research with local and global impacts. She advised on a policy-informing research which examined public response to failed critical infrastructure in the UK, US, New Zealand, Japan and Germany (2014-2015). The project led by Prof. John Preston of University of

East London was funded by the ESRC. In 2019 she was invited to join an international research in Germany that examines 'Migration and safety in the city' to determine security challenges for the law enforcement associated with migrants' presence. There is ongoing collaboration with University of Applied Science for Public Administration, Germany to determine strategies for managing supremacist and hooliganism activities in built environment.

Dolas developed an EM capability development framework for Otago Civil Defence and Emergency Management (CDEM) in 2018. During this period, she was also a member of two advisory groups at the Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management (MCDEM) contributing to training and exercise strategies in New Zealand. Dolas served at the New Zealand Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) working with the National Security Workforce team for 6 months. She was part of a special evaluation committee which required her emergency management expertise in reviewing response and recovery leadership processes for the country.

Dolas obtained her MSc in Disaster Management from the United Kingdom and a PhD in Hazard and Disaster Management from New Zealand. Dr Dolapo has several public safety qualifications, awards and certificates of appreciation from around the world for her achievements and result-driven initiatives. She is a UNESCO 'looking beyond disaster' ambassador and a champion of 'all things' safety and security of the society. When not thinking, designing, teaching, or doing emergency/disaster management related activities, Dolapo loves travelling, meeting people, reading, horse-riding and sightseeing. Dolas is single and continues to devote her time to family, friends and her charity projects in Asia and in the UK.

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