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In the course of his work with the IFRC spanning almost 40 years, Simon has been holding a variety of senior executive and managerial positions. These included IFRC Special Representative, Regional Director in Asia & Pacific, in Europe and in Africa. He also led several technical and policy Departments and functions – Director of Global Humanitarian Services and Supply Chain Management, Director of Resource Mobilization and Governments Relations, Director of Emergency Response Preparedness Department, Change Manager for the Secretary General. In these various capacities and roles, Simon facilitated high-level negotiations on humanitarian and international affairs with governments, international organizations, and corporate sector. Job assignments included leading IFRC and National Societies response to protracted emergencies and to some major crisis situations, such as 2004 tsunami disaster in Asia & Pacific, migration crisis in Europe, population movement and large-scale emergencies in Africa. He has led numerous change processes, was an architect of the IFRC optimization of structures, establishment of the country and regional offices, including Kuala Lumpur (from subregional delegation to an Asia & Pacific Service Centre, to currently – Regional Office for Asia & Pacific), Nairobi, New Delhi, Beijing, Suva, Jakarta, Yangon, Pyongyang, Athens, Tbilisi and many others, which was accompanied by negotiation and conclusion of Legal Status Agreements with the respective governments. Field assignments included heading the IFRC South Asia Regional Representation in New Delhi and his very first humanitarian mission as a Finance Administration Delegate in Sudan, which was followed by five years as a Desk Officer for Eastern and Southern Africa in the early 90s. Simon has led introduction and development of many innovative tools used by the IFRC, such as financial analytics, disaster management information systems, supply chain management, and others.

Currently Simon serves as Expert and Strategic Consultant, focusing on innovation in creating synergies between businesses and humanitarian sector.

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