

Lecture Series Winter semester 2021/2022

Monday, November 8, 2021, 6.00 pm.
The lecture will held in room TC.3.01.



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DELIVERING CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE IN HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS – A SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PERSPECTIVE:

Over the past decade, the use of cash and voucher assistance in the humanitarian sector has increased drastically. What was once a limited and seldom-used mechanism now accounts for over 20% of all international humanitarian assistance. This increase has created impacts on humanitarian supply chains and logistics activities. This discussion explores those impacts and addresses the risks, challenges, and benefits of using cash and voucher assistance in the humanitarian sector.

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