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## Professional Summary

I am a multidisciplinary professional with 10+ years of experience in project coordination, community engagement, and technology integration in humanitarian and public health sectors. Skilled in implementing digital tools, developing secure communication frameworks, and coordinating multi-stakeholder projects. Recent focus includes advisory roles in digital transformation, AI-assisted automation, and information security practices. Known for adaptability, ethical focus, and commitment to humanitarian values.

## Key Competencies

- Digital Transformation & IT Coordination
- Information Management & Data Protection
- Community Engagement & Accountability (CEA/AAP)
- AI Tools Integration & Workflow Optimization
- Project Implementation in Crisis Contexts
- NGO & Public Health Sector Experience
- Stakeholder Communication & Team Management
- Strategic Planning & Resource Allocation

## Professional Experience

### ***Independent Consultant – Digital Solutions & AI Integration Jan 2025 – Present***

- ✓ Designed tailored digital workflows and IT tools for NGOs and social enterprises.
- ✓ Piloted AI-based internal communication and document automation tools for field operations.
- ✓ Supported risk-aware use of technology in humanitarian initiatives.

### ***Advisor to Deputy CEO on Engagement and Innovation – Ukrainian Red Cross Jan 2025 – Mar 2025***

- ✓ Advised on integrating digital tools for community interaction and beneficiary feedback.
- ✓ Helped introduce structured frameworks for innovation across departments.

### ***Head of Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) – Ukrainian Red Cross Jul 2023 – Dec 2024***

- ✓ Coordinated CEA strategy across multiple regions and departments.
- ✓ Collaborated with IT and M&E teams to digitize feedback and safeguarding systems.
- ✓ Promoted responsible data handling in community programs.

- ✓ *Program Officer & Safeguarding Focal Point – HIAS Ukraine*
- ✓ *Feb 2023 – Mar 2023*
- ✓ *Supported program implementation and data compliance in protection projects.*
- ✓ *Participated in donor reporting and safeguarding risk mitigation.*

***Senior Project Coordinator – Ukrainian Red Cross Dec 2022 – Jan 2023***

- ✓ *Oversaw MHPSS project operations and ensured IT tools supported safe service delivery.*
- ✓ *Provided recommendations for digitized reporting formats.*
- ✓ *Chief Specialist – Opioid Dependency Department, MOH of Ukraine*
- ✓ *Dec 2021 – Aug 2022*
- ✓ *Managed coordination of OST expansion strategy.*
- ✓ *Advised on digital documentation, privacy, and reporting systems for public health records.*

***Program Manager – CO “100% of Life” (LGBT & MSM Services) Oct 2019 – Dec 2020***

- ✓ *Led a program team of 24; created inclusive IT workflows and secure case tracking.*
- ✓ *Developed project proposals and managed donor reporting systems.*

***Executive Director – Gay-Alliance Ukraine 2009 – 2015***

- ✓ *Led strategic planning, budgeting (€650K), and donor relations (€1.3M raised).*
- ✓ *Oversaw secure communication and digital systems across national projects.*

## **Education**

Kyiv International University  
Master of Arts in Sociology – 2013

## **Courses & Certifications**

- *Cybersecurity and Information Management – 2025*
- *AI & Technological Process Management – Microsoft/Google, 2025*
- *CEA/AAP Training – 2024*
- *Protection, Gender and Inclusion (ToT) – 2024*
- *Scenario Planning in Crisis Settings – 2024*

## **Languages**

Ukrainian: Native

English: Fluent

Russian: Fluent

## **Technical Skills**

- *Microsoft 365 Administration*
- *Secure Data Handling & Document Management*
- *Cloud Basics (Azure)*
- *IT Risk Awareness & Safeguarding Principles*
- *Workflow Automation (WPS, Adobe, low-code platforms)*

- Intro Python for automation
- Data conversion, reporting & visualization (beginner level)

Dear Hiring Manager,

I am writing to express my interest in the ICT and Information Security Coordinator position with Mercy Corps Ukraine. With over a decade of experience in NGO project coordination, public health programs, and community engagement strategies — including recent work focused on digital tools and secure workflows — I believe I can contribute meaningfully to Mercy Corps' mission in Ukraine.

During my time at the Ukrainian Red Cross, I held several positions related to accountability, innovation, and community engagement. I helped introduce digital feedback tools and supported departments in aligning with safe information practices. In parallel, I have deepened my expertise in information management and recently completed courses in cybersecurity and AI-based workflow optimization. I'm particularly interested in how ethical technology use can enhance humanitarian outcomes.

In previous roles with HIAS and the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, I worked on program implementation and reporting systems, often involving sensitive beneficiary data. I understand the importance of compliance, safeguarding, and secure infrastructure — especially in high-pressure contexts.

While I do not hold a formal degree in computer science, I bring a working understanding of system logic, administrative platforms, and cloud-based tools. I am also confident in learning new technical frameworks when needed. What I can offer is strong cross-sector experience, a commitment to security-aware digital coordination, and an ability to align technology with field realities.

Mercy Corps' values, especially in terms of ethics and innovation, resonate strongly with me. I would be grateful for the opportunity to support your Ukraine mission with practical, context-sensitive IT and coordination expertise.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of speaking further.

Warm regards,  
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