

Framework for the Ethical Assessment of Humanitarian Drones (FEAHD)

Normative orientation: which values should guide decisions?

Optimize
benefits &
minimize
harm

Safeguard
justice

Uphold
respect for
autonomy

Adhere to
governance
standards

Promote
humanitarian
principles

Decision chain: what questions should be answered when determining drone use?

**Problem
identification**

What is the role
of drones in
resolving the
problem(s)?

**Ethical
justification**

Do the ethical
preconditions
exist to support
the drone use?

**Legal
obligation**

Are there
regulatory
concerns
related to the
drone use?

**Mission
alignment**

Is the drone use
aligned with
humanitarian
principles?

**Operational
consequences**

How can drones
be deployed
responsibly in
this context?

Institutional foundation: what is the level of organizational ethical preparedness?

Ethics policy & procedure

Internal ethics task force

External ethics advisory support

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