Reviewer’s report

Title: What Motivates Individuals to Volunteer in Ebola Epidemic Response? A Structural Approach in Guinea

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The manuscript is well argued, and the different methodological aspects are well and clearly presented and the results are linked to policy recommendations.

Minor essential revisions

Given the nature of some of your findings (e.g. patriotic motivation) it would be interesting to specify the time when the data collection was done. In addition (not an essential revision) some information about the political environment at that moment (e.g. elections approaching, etc.) may help the reader to better understand the context in which data was obtained and how that could have influenced responses.

The gender composition of the sample shows a clear bias toward male participants which may deserve a small explanation.

In the methods section it would be interesting to explain if the third focus group undertaken to review the results of the initial two FGs involved new participants or if you selected within these who participated in the first round of FGs.

Explain or refer to literature on why an 11-point scale was decided (e.g. and not 10 or 5).

In the limitations you may want to add the lack of information about professional background of participants within the demographic information presented which makes difficult to assess the validity of the results regarding "use of skills for collective good".

A small reflection (not to trigger any revision) is the difficult disaggregation of motivational effect of extremely conceptually interconnected terms such as "patiotic duty", "civic duty" or "moral responsibility"; Or also between "cultural prescription" and "religious obligation". In regard to the latter I was happy to see that you acknowledge as a limitation the fact that this study was undertaken in Conakry and that if it was done in more remote areas of the country, where for example more animist population may live, the results may have been different.
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