

The Future of Humanitarian Response

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The nature of conflicts we face today has changed considerably. Current humanitarian action and long-term development approaches no longer match the reality of protracted crises and forced displacement. To address these humanitarian challenges, the World Economic Forum will provide a platform for key stakeholders to build a common understanding and a community of practice on the future of the humanitarian system.

Humanitarian Programme - Key Sessions

Tuesday, 17th	Wednesday, 18th	Thursday, 19th	Friday, 20th
8.30-9.30 The Global Security Context	9.00-10.15 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	8.00-9.30 Mobilizing Faith for Development*	9.00-10.15 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>
9.00-10.15 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	9.00-10.00 The Future of Warfare	9.00-10.15 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	9.00-10.30 Open Forum: The Race Against Racism
9.30-10.00 Protecting Cultural Heritage in Times of Conflict	9.00-9.30 <i>Mobilizing the Next Billion</i>	9.00-10.15 Building New Alliances for Humanitarian Action	10.00-10.30 <i>Enabling Energy Access</i>
10.30-11.00 <i>Gathering Dual-Use Data</i>	9.30-11.00 The Future of Humanitarian Response*	10.00-10.30 <i>Sporting for Survival</i>	11.30-12.00 <i>Ensuring Connectivity</i>
	10.00-10.30 <i>Facilitating Labour Market Integration</i>	11.00-11.30 <i>Inside Aleppo</i>	
12.30-13.45 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	12.30-13.45 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	12.00-12.30 <i>Doing Good Faster</i>	12.30-13.45 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>
13.30-14.00 <i>Fintech for Good</i>	13.00-14.00 The Future of Arab Economies	12.30-13.45 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	12.30-13.45 Realizing the Migration Dividend
15.00-15.30 <i>Measuring for Maximum Impact</i>	14.45-15.15 <i>Providing Information on the Move</i>	14.00-14.30 <i>Overcoming the Humanitarian / Development Divide</i>	14.00-14.30 <i>Coding for a Better Future</i>
16.00-17.15 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	15.00-16.30 Promoting Open Societies for Sustainable Development*	14.30-16.00 IGWEL: Restoring Stability in the Middle East and North Africa*	
17.00-17.30 <i>Transitioning from Response to Resilience</i>	16.30-17.45 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	16.00-17.15 <i>A Day in The Life of a Refugee</i>	
	16.30-17.00 <i>Protecting Identity and Data During Crisis Response</i>	16.00-17.00 Redesigning Humanitarian Action: Beyond the Crisis	
	17.00-18.00 <i>Investing in Peace</i>	16.15-16.45 <i>Tracking Every Move</i>	
		16.30-17.30 Redefining Europe's Security Agenda	
		17.45-18.15 <i>Making Data Actionable</i>	
		20.00-22.00 Accelerating Reforms in the Middle East and North Africa	18.00-19.00 The Global Security Outlook

- Interactive Simulation
- Humanitarian Hub Session

* Community programme (by invitation);
IGWEL (by invitation, for Public Figures)



Experience



A Day in the Life of a Refugee

Sessions throughout the week, Hilton Garden Inn

A powerful experience to understand the struggles and choices that refugees face to survive each day. The experience is developed by the Crossroads Foundation and designed by refugees, internally displaced persons and NGOs.



Inside Za'atari Exhibition

Humanitarian Hub

The photographers of "Inside Za'atari", supported by Save the Children, show the diversity of their fellow refugees, through portraits and testimonies which illustrate their fears, losses, and worries but also their hopes, aspirations, joys and dreams.



Discover



Humanitarian Hub

Sessions throughout the week, Congress Centre

Solution-oriented sessions led by practitioners involved in conflict resolution, refugee integration and private sector engagement in times of humanitarian crisis.



Global Situation Space

Sessions throughout the week, Congress Centre

From conflict refugees to climate migrants, embark on a visual exploration into the causes and consequences of our refugee crisis now and through time.



Debate



Investing in Peace

Wednesday, 18 January 17.00-18.00, Congress Centre, Arena

Local and foreign businesses can have an unintended impact on fragile and post-conflict environments. What business practices can be adopted to "do no harm" and best contribute to conflict resolution and reconciliation?



Redesigning Humanitarian Action: Beyond the Crisis

Thursday, 19 January 16.30-17.30, Sanada, Congress Centre

Current humanitarian response no longer matches the reality of protracted conflict and large-scale displacement. What platforms and leadership commitments are required to enact better and sustainable humanitarian solutions?



Open Forum: The Race against Racism

Friday, 20 January 9.00-10.30, Swiss Alpine High School, Auditorium

With the continued increase in international migration, what will it take to build more pluralism, tolerance and equality into our communities and societies?



Collaborate



The Future of Humanitarian Response (by invitation)

Wednesday, 18 January 09.30-11.00, Hotel Seehof, Stübli

This high-level gathering aims to build a common understanding of the humanitarian landscape and galvanize support for new public-private partnerships that address key humanitarian challenges.



Building New Alliances for Humanitarian Action

Thursday, 19 January 9.00-10.15, Congress Centre, xChange

Assisting over 65 million displaced people has placed humanitarian response under severe stress. What public-private partnerships are needed if this figure reaches 100 million?



Realizing the Migration Dividend

Friday, 20 January 12.30-13.45, Hotel InterContinental, Turmalin/Adular/Quarz

How can businesses and governments respond to the short-term challenges of migration to tap into its long-term dividend?