



Reading City of Sanctuary

The Volvi Refugee Camp – a continuing story by Maggie (Magdalena Filipova-Rivers) from Grass Roots International. On this return visit, the 6th February, Maggie explained how her work is continuing helping refugees and displaced persons throughout the world. But mainly in Greece. Most of the refugees her charity deals with originate from Syria, Afghanistan and South Sudan.

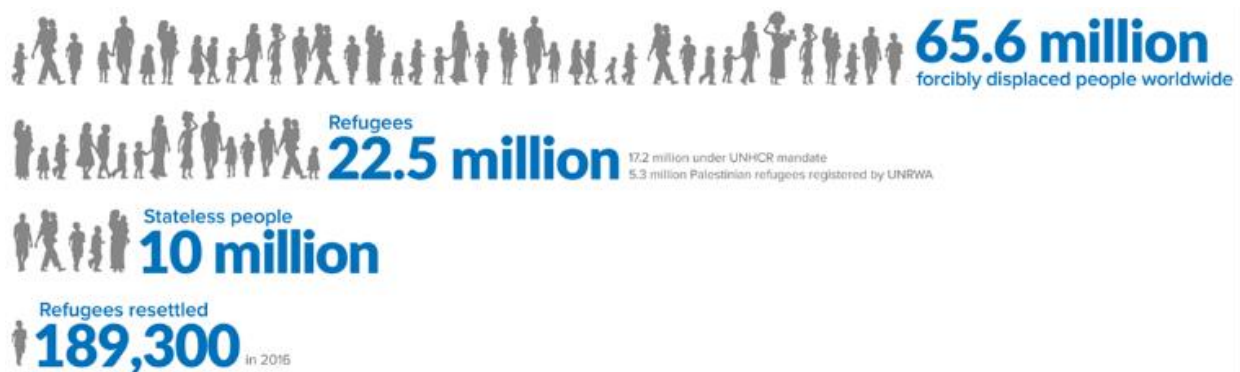
Maggie explained how three new areas of assistance for refugees had been founded:

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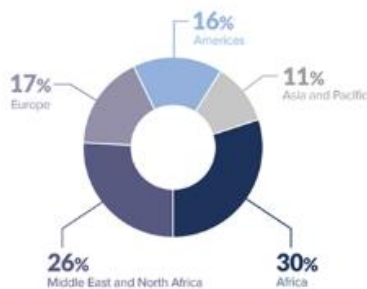
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Lesvos camp Vocational Training School and Volvi Camp: m.filipova@euroconsultants.com.gr

- A world on the move, migration impacts 1 in 4 people on this planet
- Global forced displacement stands at 65.6 million in 2017, over ½ are under 18s
- The figure includes IDPs
- Refugees under UN mandate 22.5 million
- Top refugee producing countries Syria, Afghanistan and South Sudan
- Displacement occurs due to political, economic and climate/environmental related reasons.
- 20 people are forcibly displaced every minute



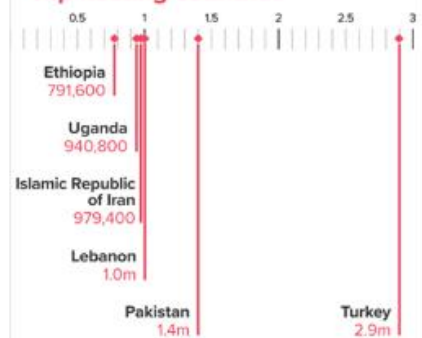
Where the world's displaced people are being hosted



55% of refugees worldwide came from three countries



Top hosting countries



Please also see attached an invitation to our Reading City of Sanctuary Interfaith event (people of no faith also welcome)



PLEASE JOIN READING CITY OF SANCTUARY
for our interfaith event

'We Welcome'

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST
AT SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING
at the Reading Council Chambers
Reading Civic Offices, Bridge Street
RG1 2LU

r.s.v.p to
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Ends