

Regenerative solutions in refugee camps and settlements

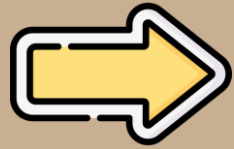


Roundtable on 19.08.2024
Uganda

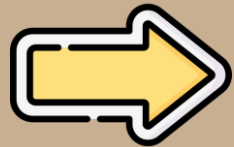
Generation Restoration e.V. is a young association, working as a **bridge builder** for the vision of transforming refugee camps worldwide from stagnant places of dependency into flourishing places of **hope**.

This presentation was shown during the roundtable and explains the challenges, vision and strategy.

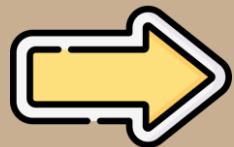
Understanding interconnected challenges



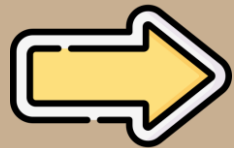
120 Mio. Refugees worldwide (+20% in 3 years)



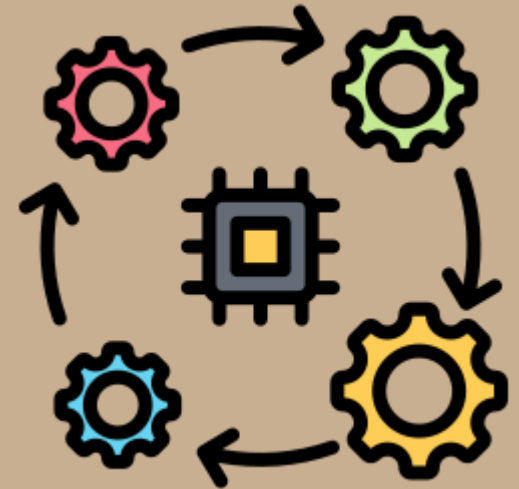
75% of land surface damaged



3,5 Bn. People threatened by climate change



\$ 231 Bn. Cost of land degradation p.a.



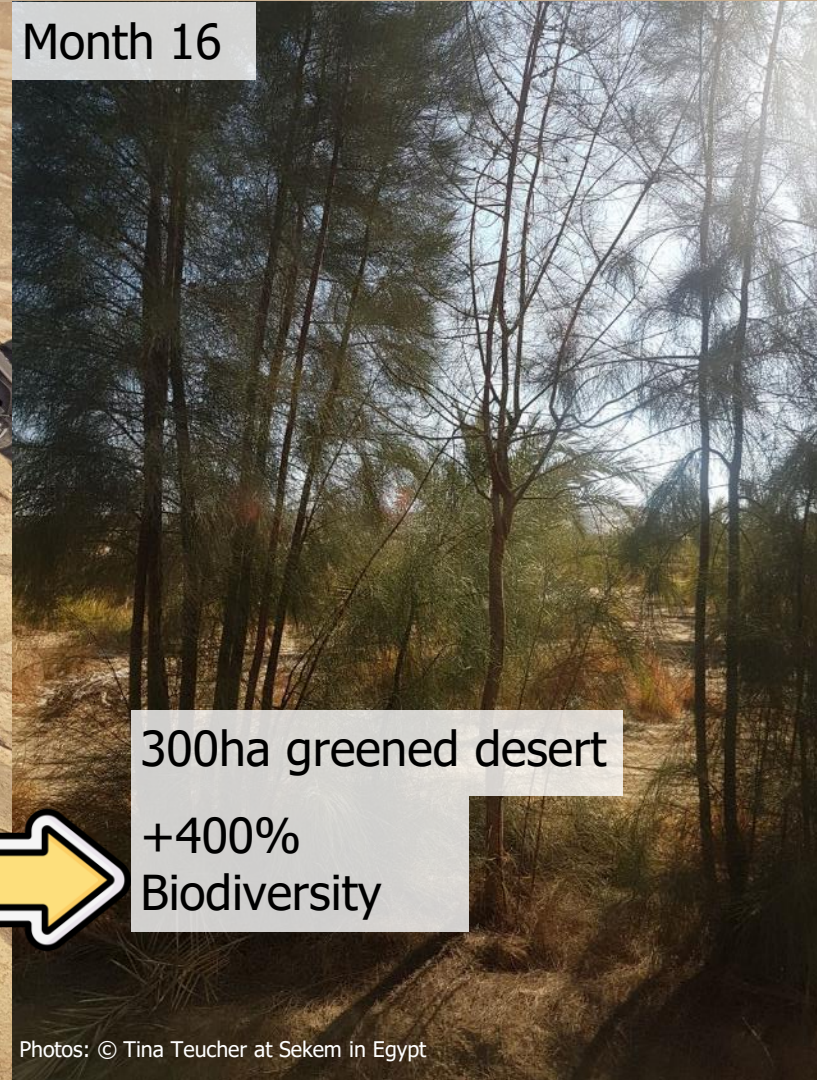
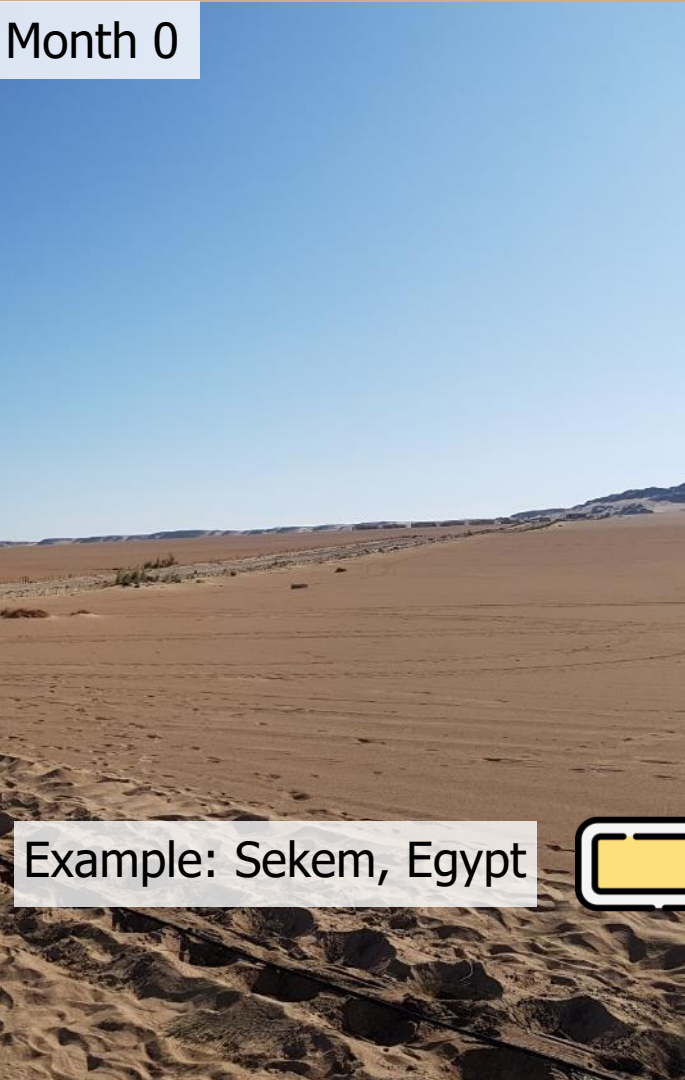
Problem

As of today, refugee camps worsen the situation of refugees, host communities and the global community:

-  deforestation (climate change, biodiversity loss)
-  land degradation
-  hunger
-  poverty
-  conflict / violence
-  resource scarcity



The power of ecosystem restoration

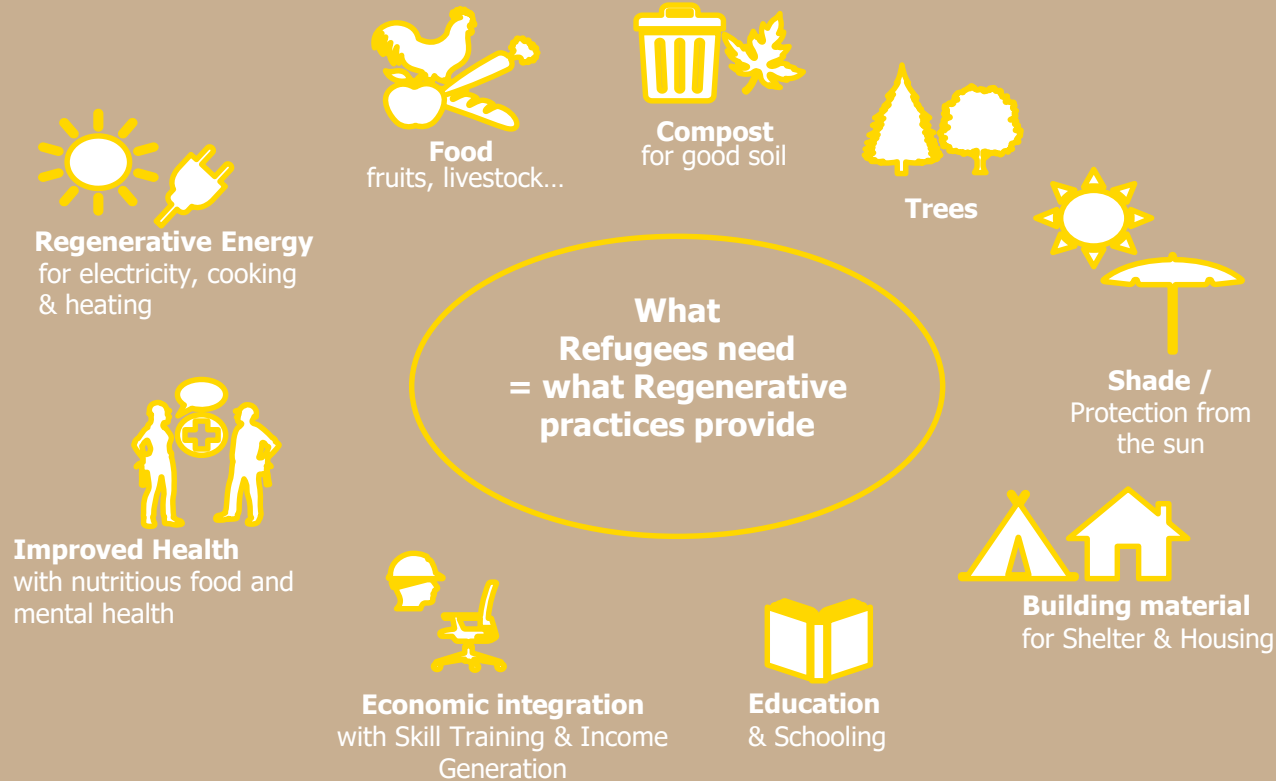


Example: Sekem, Egypt



300ha greened desert
+400%
Biodiversity

Benefits: Ecosystem Restoration has strong potential for **refugee camps** & regions and global goals.



Contributing to all 17 SDGs
(Sustainable Development Goals)

**REGENERATION
OF
HOPE**

Awareness
Empowerment
Direction
Hope

From displaced to **self-reliant**
From dependence to **ownership**
From scarce resources to **circular economy**
From destruction to **regeneration**

Why **Ecosystem Restoration** in refugee camps?



Contributing to all 17 SDGs

Because it contributes to achieving
all 17 SDGs!

Why **invest** in **Ecosystem Restoration**?



Financing gap to reach SDGs: 250bn Euros

Quellen: UNHCR, Ramsar, UNEP, IPBES – ausführliche Quellen im [Generation Restoration Überblick](#)

Planting the Seed: From refugee settlement to global restoration?



Successful regenerative projects: worldwide + in Uganda

Ecosystem restoration in refugee settlements generate multiple benefits



Examples include permaculture training of trainers, compost toilets, sustainable buildings, organic fertilizer production...

Photos: YICE Uganda (photos taken by Tina Teucher from Generation Restoration at a learning journey with Re-Alliance and Regenerosity)

Projects identified in Uganda, Kenya, Iraq, Jordan, Greece, Bangladesh, Philippines...

Strategy to scale and create long-term sustainable change



SCALE positive examples

Funding+Visibility for projects and the network to grow

CHANGE standards

Facilitating dialogue with standard setters (develop guidelines)

DEVELOP entrepreneurship

Co-creating business models for impact investment

= Theory of Change: Generation Restoration is building the bridge as a strong diverse network with...

Communication &
Impact Assessment

Facilitation of
Stakeholder Dialogues

Agency between projects and
investment world

A strong **Team & Network** behind the strategy

Generation Restoration e.V. is a registered non-profit association based in Munich, Germany. Currently, we are 50 members from various fields.

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Insights from **online Roundtable 2021**

In 2021, > 100 participants participated in our online roundtables. Insights and results can be found on www.GenR.world

Since that, >150 news subscribers and an interntaional science working group built.



"We increase resiliency with regenerative farming techniques."

Noah Ssempiija
YICE Uganda



"Being in touch with the earth can increase mental health of refugees."

Jennie Spears
Lemon Tree Trust



"We should empower refugees with their entrepreneurial skills."

Paulinho Muzaliwa
Unidos Social Innovation Center



"Practicing the art of permaculture can give back ownership."

Rosemary Morrow
Permaculture for Refugees



"The positive impact of caring for the earth on mental health has been well-recorded."

Pieter van der Gaag
Ecosystem Restoration Camps



"Until now, we are denying the value of the people and the earth systems."

John Dennis Liu
Film maker and ecologist



"We can help refugee camps become green oases."

Elham AlAbbadi
Bayoudha Village



"it is important to empower refugees to take initiative themselves through self-advocacy."

Photene Kalpakiotis
The Greek Forum for Refugees



"We need more support for ground-up, integrated work."

Morag Gamble
Permaculture Education Institute

Success from the network: Growth from an initiative with diverse activities



2 international roundtables organized in 2021 with >150 participants



>20 existing projects identified, e.g. in Kenya, Uganda, Iraq, Greece...



News updates from the network, regularly sent to >200 email subscribers



Website with insights from dialogs and contributions on best practice examples



Event Organisation "How Refugees build Regenerative Business" Berlin 26.05.23



Invitation to the EU Social Innovation Forum in Brussels 26-27.10.23



Organization of the 1st Africa Salon with partners in Hamburg 14.12.23



Featured in several media including ANU Bayern Environmental Education News

Growth from an initiative

- 150 volunteers international since 2021
- e.V. association: 19.09.2023
- 50 members in Germany
- Remote, national and international working mode promotes a diverse network



Fundraising > € 8,000 for partner organizations via online foundation at bcause since May 2023



Team and strategy meetings incl. 1st general meeting at the Diversity Lab Brandenburg 25-27.01.24



Design and printing of first flyer



Presentation at over 15 events (CRIC, B.A.U.M., GREEN BRANDS, WIIS, etc.)

* All measures were carried out entirely on a voluntary basis by the Generation Restoration Initiative (since 2021) and the e.V. (2023).

Our Partners for constant change and development

Building up a strong network of change makers

Member of



Coalition for Regenerative
Solutions in Disaster,
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An initiative in



Cooperation partners



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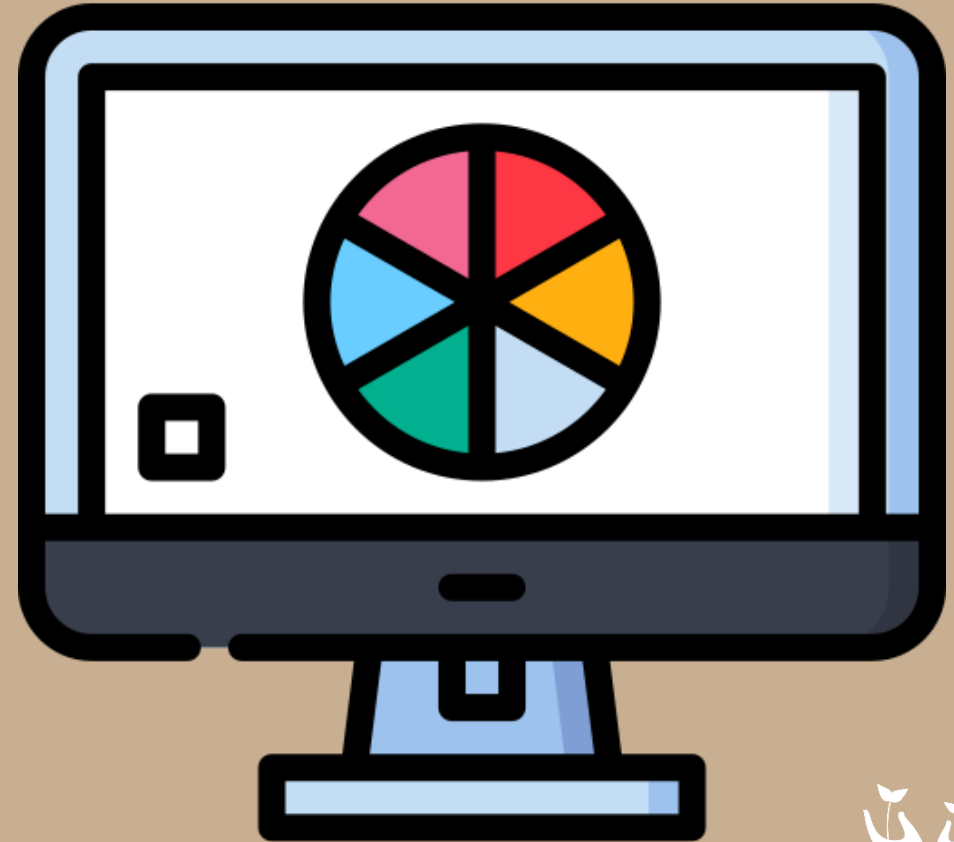
Online Roundtable

28.10.2024

9am-11am EAT

online

[Register here](#)



Welcome as part of the Generation Restoration !



What we want to do together

- Scale Regenerative Projects
- Visibility & Networking
- Stakeholder Dialogues about change

What you can do now

- Scale Regenerative Projects
- Network with others
- Join Whatsapp Group of the Roundtable
- Join Linkedin Group of Generation Restoration
- Share your projects with us
- Subscribe for news at www.GenR.world
- Join Roundtable online 28.10.24 9-11am EAT

We are looking forward to
discuss with you!



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