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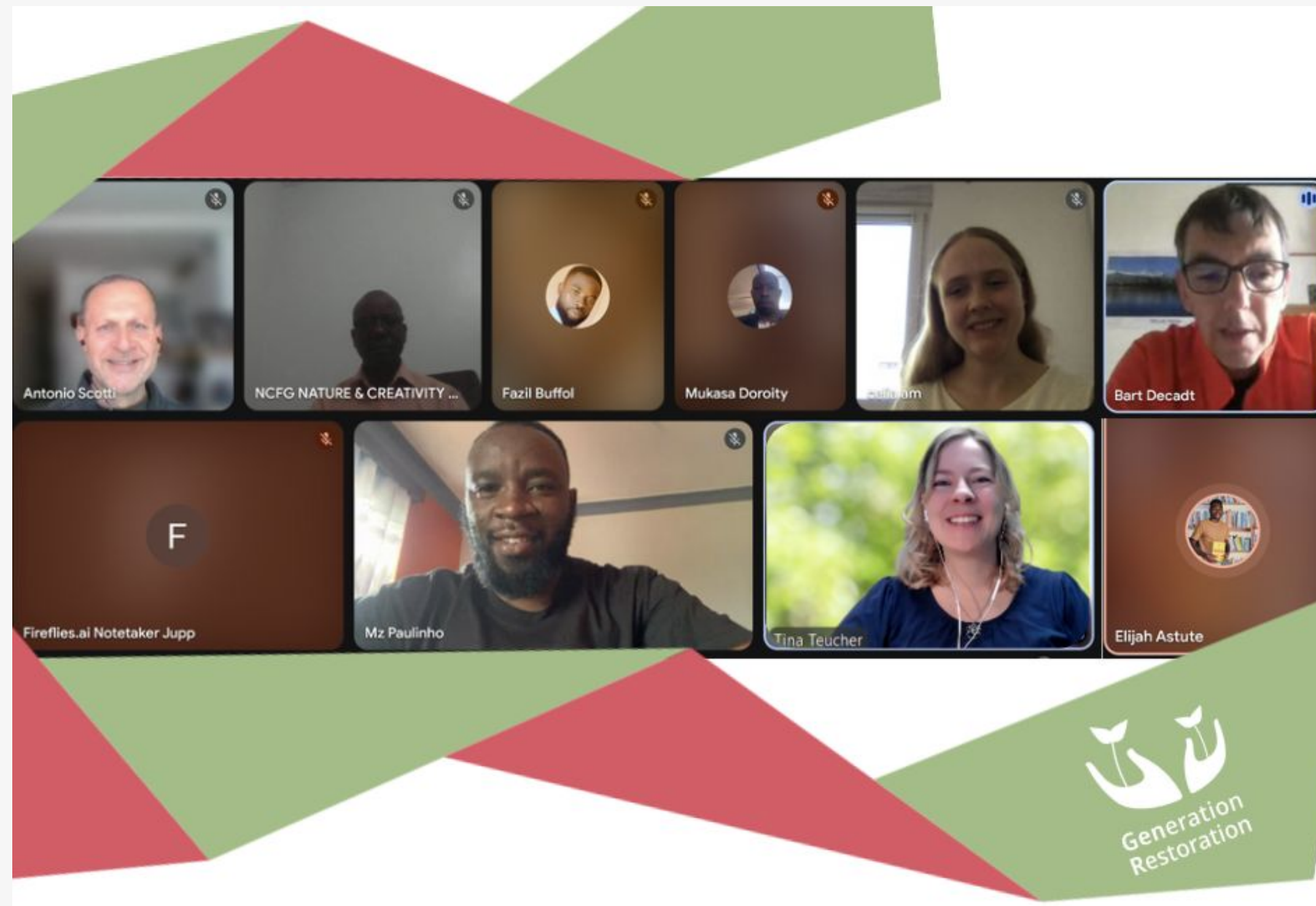
Regenerative Solutions in Refugee Camps & Settlements

5th Roundtable by Generation Restoration

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14.11.25

GenR International Roundtable (English)

09:00 - 11:00 am (EAT)

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INTRODUCTION ROUND

Name, organization
Why are you interested in institutionalization?



Roundtable Objectives

THE ROUNDTABLE

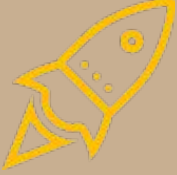


OBJECTIVES

- Explore pathways for scaling impactful GRO initiatives (covered in the plenary).
- Support institutionalization—the legal, organizational, and financial formalization of GROs.
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OUR STRATEGY

Strategy & Impact

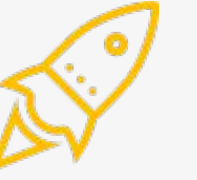
Problem	Strategy GenR		Input	Output	Outcome	Impact
Regenerative projects in refugee camps are small, unknown, unfinanced	SCALE positive examples Financing & visibility for field projects		Fundraising Communication Dialogues <i>with initiatives from the field</i>	Donations (bcause) GenR website, Platforms such as Linkedin, Insta, stages	Growth Recognition Learning from each other's projects	Regenerative (learning) spaces are established in and around every camp
Key players in humanitarian aid have not yet implemented regenerative solutions	RENEW standards Dialogue processes and guidelines with (UN) organisations		Networking Dialogues Research <i>with players in 'humanitarian aid'</i>	Roundtables 1:1 dialogues Impact assessment Guidelines Standards	Players are empowered to contribute to regeneration with their organisations	Regenerative design is considered and implemented in every camp
Investors want to finance meaningful projects, but do not yet see a business case for regenerative projects	DEVELOP investment opportunities Promoting viable business models		Business model development Research Networking <i>with investors</i>	Business models Investment opportunities e.g. via investment funds	Investors can invest their money effectively for all SDGs	Investors' money is continuously reinvested in regenerative structures



INTRO TO SCALING

SCALING - WORKING GROUP KEY FINDINGS

Impact Assessment & Scaling



- 1** **Lack of context-specific impact assessment metrics** (most assessment or project evaluation frameworks focus on short term project outcomes or are not broad enough to predict long term impacts)
- 2** **Barriers to data collection and sharing** (transparency = trust), inconsistent baseline data, limited access to technology and literacy to meet current donor/ project supporter accountability demands
- 3** **Short term project timelines.** Many projects are funded in short cycles (1-2 or possibly 3 years), often demanding immediate quantifiable results. Nature or regenerative projects don't often work like that (slow and natural cycles of regeneration requires more time)
- 4** The majority of projects are initiated and run by community based organisations (CBOs) who often do not have the capacity / structures to develop, implement and evaluate more contextualised impact assessment metrics (**community based organisations need capacity building and organisational structuring**) as their current operational structure limits their access to funding and resources to carry out their project activities.
- 5** High personal benefit expectations from the intended beneficiaries, which leads some of them to end up not achieving the goal for such projects
- 6** Sometimes feedback from both the surveys and the work is not shared back to stakeholders for improvement

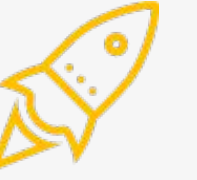
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positive examples

Financing & visibility
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Seed Production & Conservation



- 1 Between 2000 and 2023, **Uganda lost nearly 40% of its traditional seed varieties**, according to the National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO 2023)
- 2 **Hybrid seeds are GMO-related and fast growing**, but **production drops in the next season**
- 3 Climate change leads to **increased pests that imported hybrid seeds are susceptible to**
- 4 **Dependency on food aid** and minimal awareness of local seeds infringe upon usage
- 5 **Insecurity and displacement lead to minimal access** towards local seeds
- 6 The **commercial seed market is inaccessible** to many refugees due to high costs
- 7 Many farmers **rely on seeds provided by NGOs**
- 8 Traditional **seed-saving practices are not widely adopted** due to the lack of training and resources
- 9 It is **possible to scale seed production and conservation** to the district and even nationwide with the right support, training, and infrastructure
- 10 **Small-scale seed conservation** to be found in Imvepi United Nations refugee settlement, Bidi Bidi refugee settlement, Rhino Camp refugee settlement, Kakuma refugee settlement, Nakivale refugee settlement and Isingiro District

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INTRO TO STANDARDIZATION

RENEW
standards

Dialogue processes
and guidelines with
(UN) organisations

ALIGNMENT, INSTITUTIONALIZATION, STANDARDIZATION



ALIGNMENT

Definition:

Ensuring that all stakeholders, including donors, organizations, and communities, share a unified vision for the implementation and sustainability of regenerative practices.

Key Components:

- Shared values
- Alignment on community-driven, sustainable, and regenerative agricultural practices
- Common goals between communities and donors
- Creating a shared vision that allows for effective collaboration and mutual benefit
- Coordination of resources and strategies
- Alignment in funding sources, technical expertise, and logistics

INSTITUTIONALIZATION

Definition:

Institutionalization involves embedding practices and structures into formal systems, ensuring sustainability and long-term support.

Key Components:

- Pathways for refugee leadership
- Ensure refugee communities have a role in leading and managing these practices
- Collaborative models for cross-organization capacity-building
- Strengthen partnerships and shared resources between organizations to scale initiatives
- Institutional partnerships for funding & scale-up
- Establish long-term funding partnerships and collaborations with institutional donors

STANDARDIZATION

Definition:

The process of creating uniform practices, protocols, or principles that can be applied consistently across different camps or communities.

Key Components:

- Co-developing practical, context-appropriate standards
- Work with local communities and experts to create standards suited to the context of refugee camps
- Scalable models
- Ensure standards can be applied at larger scales, across multiple camps or regions
- Monitoring & evaluation frameworks
- Set clear metrics to measure the success of these standardized practices

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INTERNAL ALIGNMENT

CHALLENGES

- Limited understanding of regenerative agriculture among refugees.
- High expectations for short-term results.
- Lack of ownership and involvement from the start.
- Limited space for composting and organic fertilizer production.

SOLUTIONS

- Establish demo sites to show before-and-after success stories.
- Use diverse communication tools (even platforms like TikTok) to reach different audiences.
- Create local learning centers to revive traditional sustainable farming knowledge.
- Organize farmer cooperatives for seed saving and knowledge exchange.

EXTERNAL ALIGNMENT

CHALLENGES

- Short-term funding cycles hinder long-term regenerative processes.
- Impact assessments often don't reflect local realities.

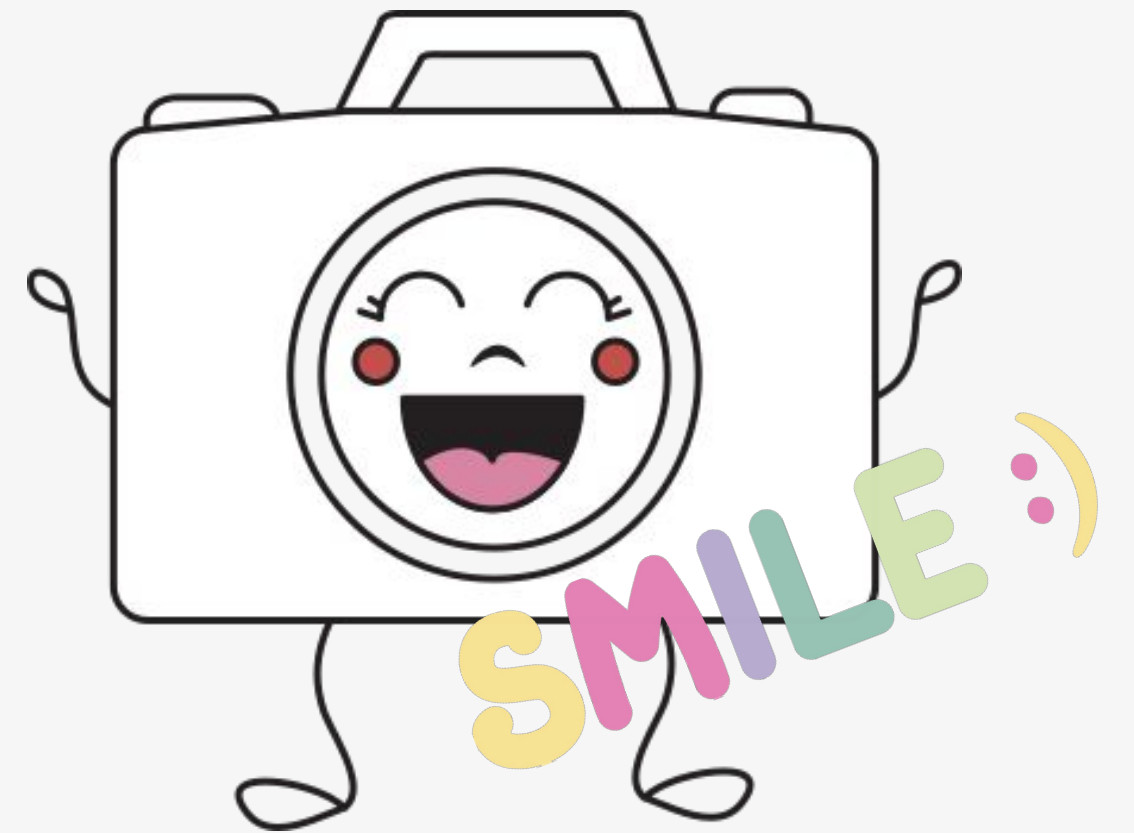
SOLUTIONS

- Develop community-specific, localized impact metrics.
- Involve donors from the start and treat them as long-term partners.
- Increase visibility through targeted outreach and communication.
- Include host communities to demonstrate wider social and regional benefits.

GROUP PICTURE

Time for a group picture!

We invite you to turn your cameras on :)





INSTITUTIONAL PATHWAYS TO SCALE - INSTITUTIONALIZATION

We will use today's thematic breakout sessions to **brainstorm:**



Breakout Group 1:

- Collaboration with IOs and NGOs from a GRO perspective

Breakout Group 2:

- Collaboration with Governmental bodies from a GRO perspective



PLENARY SHARING SESSION

OUTLOOK

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