

NLG Tech Task Force

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- NLG Tech Task Force facilitates collaboration in the international development community and between the NGO and private sectors with the focus on ICT-enabled, evidence-based programs for refugee education.
- Membership open to global and local NGOs, private sector companies, academic institutions, and host governments. 40+ members to date.
- Ongoing engagement via monthly webinars, Task Force website, toolkits, in-person convenings at conferences, and project-based collaborations.



NLG Tech Task Force Webinars



- About webinars
 - Collaborative information exchanges for NGOs and tech sector to share program design, tech tools, outcome frameworks.
 - Programs and tools featured on the Task Force webinars are examples; not endorsed by NLG.
- Webinar themes
 - Selection of themes is based on your needs and asks.
 - Current theme: Youth education, training, and livelihoods.
 - Requested themes: Teacher Training, Certification.
 - Please let us know your needs via the Poll.
- May webinars
 - International Medical Corps and HP Foundation
 - Coursera for Refugees and Kiron

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We are in the midst of the worst refugee crisis since World War II. Over 65 million people around the world have been forced from home. Among them are 21.3 million refugees, over half of whom are children. Only 50 percent of refugee children have access to primary school, even less (22 percent) have the opportunity to get secondary education and only 1 percent of refugees globally attend university.

Lack of access to education is creating a bleak future for a generation of youth. Helping young refugees and Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) find a sense of purpose and a path to a better future is critical for their individual futures, their home countries and our well-being as a global community.

At the same time, there are a number of programs designed to support refugee and IDP education, and create pathways to future employment. Some of those programs are using ICT solutions that include connectivity, device infrastructure, digital curriculum, and virtual exchange tools.

Still, more needs to be done to close the gap between the needs of refugees, and the capacity of the international community and host governments to support

Related Blogs & Case Studies

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TASK FORCE WEBINAR SERIES RESOURCES

Links to recordings and presentation collateral materials can be found on each webinar page:

NetHope information session: Tech Working Group for Refugee Education - Date: February 22, 2017

Project Reconnect Webinar - Date: April 4, 2017

Udemy and the International Rescue Committee - Date: April 27, 2017

HP LIFE and the International Medical Corps - Date: May 11, 2017 (more info coming soon)

Coursera For Refugees & Kiron - Date: May 25, 2017 (more info coming soon)

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Today's webinar



Udemy, IRC, and Western Union will talk about ICT-enabled programs that are available to refugee youth and adolescents.

- Access to Udemy's portfolio of courses.
- Opportunity to become instructors on Udemy platform and earn a living.
- Access to courses created by other refugees like Safa's 'Practical Plumbing' course.



Thu, Apr 27, 2017 11:00am - 12:00pm (US eastern time)

>>At the scheduled time of the webinar [click here](#) to access the WebEx event.

Join us for another virtual convening of the [NLG Tech Task Force](#) featuring the "Empowering Refugees Through Online Entrepreneurship" project, an initiative created by Udemy, Western Union, and the International Rescue Committee (IRC) last fall, in response to President Obama's [Private Sector Call to Action](#) to address the global refugee crisis.

The goal of the project is to onboard refugees as course instructors and deliver educational content to displaced people to help them qualify for market-relevant jobs. Udemy is an online learning platform where over 15 million students are mastering new skills such as marketing and business and achieving their goals by learning from a library of over 45,000 courses taught by expert instructors.

The "Empowering Refugees Through Online Entrepreneurship" initiative has a two-pronged approach: With Udemy's marketplace model, refugees can become online course instructors and receive incremental revenue from users who purchase their courses. IRC has been instrumental in sourcing qualified refugees to create courses and provide basic materials to help them through the process. Western Union has also worked with the IRC on the sourcing and will be responsible for the instructor payment. While still in its early stages, a group of refugees has already collaborated to create an online course, which will be published on the Udemy platform in the coming weeks. The next phase will be looking at leveraging Udemy's existing course content to up-skill refugees.