Techfugees, France

INTERNATIONAL INNITIATIVE

DIGITAL

INTERCULTURAL

INCLUSION

PROBLEM

Wars and climate change are already forcing millions of people to leave their homes everyday (2/3 of current forced displacement), and by 2050, the World Bank estimates that 143 million people will be displaced by climate change only.

Facing this new reality (this is not a temporary « crisis »), Techfugees believes we must now work at enhancing resilience and preparedness within communities, and improve our ability to welcome people that are forcibly displaced. We no longer have the time to be FOR or AGAINST migration.

It is time to adapt and prepare. Only by building scalable, ethical & sustainable tools will we be able to tackle one of the biggest challenges of our Century.

ACTION

Techfugees is an international organization mobilizing a community of developers, humanitarians, and social entrepreneurs, creating sustainable digital solutions to contribute to the inclusion of displaced people.

Techfugees supports the regaining of the autonomy of displaced people through digital innovations made with, for, and by them.

RESULT

They have a variety of projects helping the digital and social integration of refugees, including their:

- *Fellowship Program* - #TF4WOMEN (NOW SISTECH GLOBAL) - TF4Women started with Techfugees France in 2018 and was Techfugees' first free program to help refugee women find jobs.

- *Digital Spark Program* - Digital Spark (or digital spark for purists) is a distance learning program on design (UX, UI), IT support, project management and data analysis accessible worldwide. Each participant gets free access to a self-learning platform and joins a local community of digital learners for help and advice.

- *Digital Corridor Program* - The Digital Corridor programme aims to promote access to employment in the technology sector for refugees through two different means: remote work and professional resettlement. Launched in 2021, it includes 1/ a three-month learning program for 30 people to train in data annotation, professional English, IT and so-called "soft" skills and find remote work opportunities (the springboard for job preparation) 2/ a job search support service for developers looking to leave a country in crisis.