INTRODUCTION

Refugee livelihoods in transitional settlements has become a crucial topic in contemporary geopolitical relations. One challenge within the current relief assistance model for refugee populations is the separation between inhabitants and local communities.

iDeA invites innovative minds around the world to propose design and policy solutions that provide opportunities for refugees and local communities to strengthen ties while enabling self-agency. This creative re-knitting of the city can rely on a shared organization and management of activities within co-constructed platforms that involve both refugees and the local community.

Solutions should focus on addressing the economic and social vulnerabilities that refugees face in urban environments and provide creative ways that expand access, participation and interaction between refugees and their local communities in one of the three urban sites of:

- Nairobi, Kenya
- Amman, Jordan
- Berlin, Germany

PRIZES

1 Overall Winning Team  $3,500 *
One overall winning team will be selected and awarded an additional cash prize of $1,500.

3 Winning Teams  $2,000 per team *

6 Honorable Mentions
Two teams per site will be awarded $1,000.

* Top three teams will be awarded round trip flight tickets and accommodations to participate in the final symposium in New York City.

All winning proposals will be presented to a group of related humanitarian organizations and philanthropies with credits to participants. In addition, all winning proposals will be presented on related design and public policy websites.

JURY

Urban Planners, Architects, Scholars, NGO Leaders, Entrepreneurs, Migration Experts, UN Representatives.

Check our site for an updated jury list.