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What:      Research on rental housing/hosting programmes for displaced persons
Why:       MA Dissertation subject, share findings with shelter sector
When:      Time of research, present to September 31st. 2016
Shelter has been evolving from a product to a process, and as programmes of hosting or renting living spaces to displaced persons become more common, there needs to be further research into the following sectors:

- Market, (material, housing, employment)
- Psycho-social work welfare
- Conflict resolution
- Small business investment

What: Findings so far

- Construction
- Employment
- Materials

- Counseling
- Training
- Conflict resolution

- Cultural identity
- Political change

rental unit
Since February of 2016 and with the assistance of Catholic Relief Services, I have found the following examples:

Haiti – “Keep the change” program, provided social work to tenant, and encourage tenant to negotiate rent price with landlord so allowance of 500$ from INGO’s could also go towards education or other investments; post earthquake.

Nepal – “micro-credit financing” program developed relationship with bank to develop rent controlled micro-financing programs for vulnerable persons;

Lebanon – “Invest in upgrades” program, INGO’s assisted home owners or landlords in upgrades with the agreement they would host tenants for one year or more, biggest challenge was having enough human resources to solve conflict between landlord and tenant; post Syrian conflict

Ukraine – “cash for rent”, cash given to pay rent for tenant, landlord controlled market; post Russian-Ukrainian conflict
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Intentions:
• Talk to as many professionals (you) to learn of case studies or useful data
• Collect case studies for reference
• Collect key tools or strategies from rental/hosting programmes
• Please take online survey, greatly appreciated!

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5H67FTH
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What might come from this research?

• An open source document
• Collection of different approaches to rental housing programmes
• Lessons learned from different contexts
• A framework conceptualizing the key points in rental/hosting programmes for professionals
• Further findings will develop as research progresses
Thank you for your time