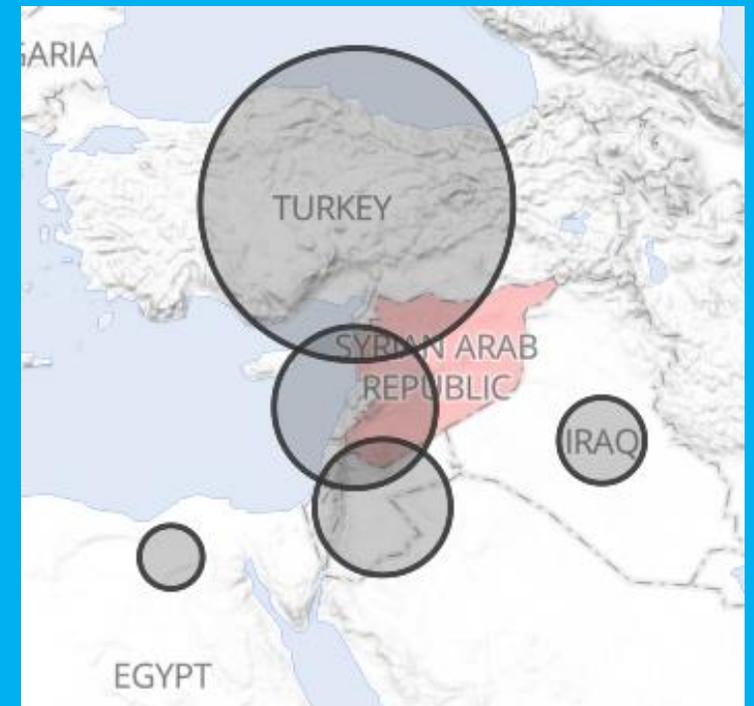
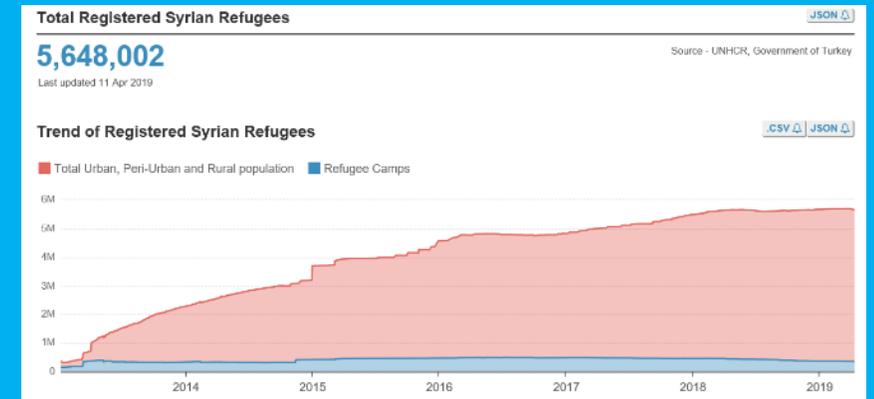


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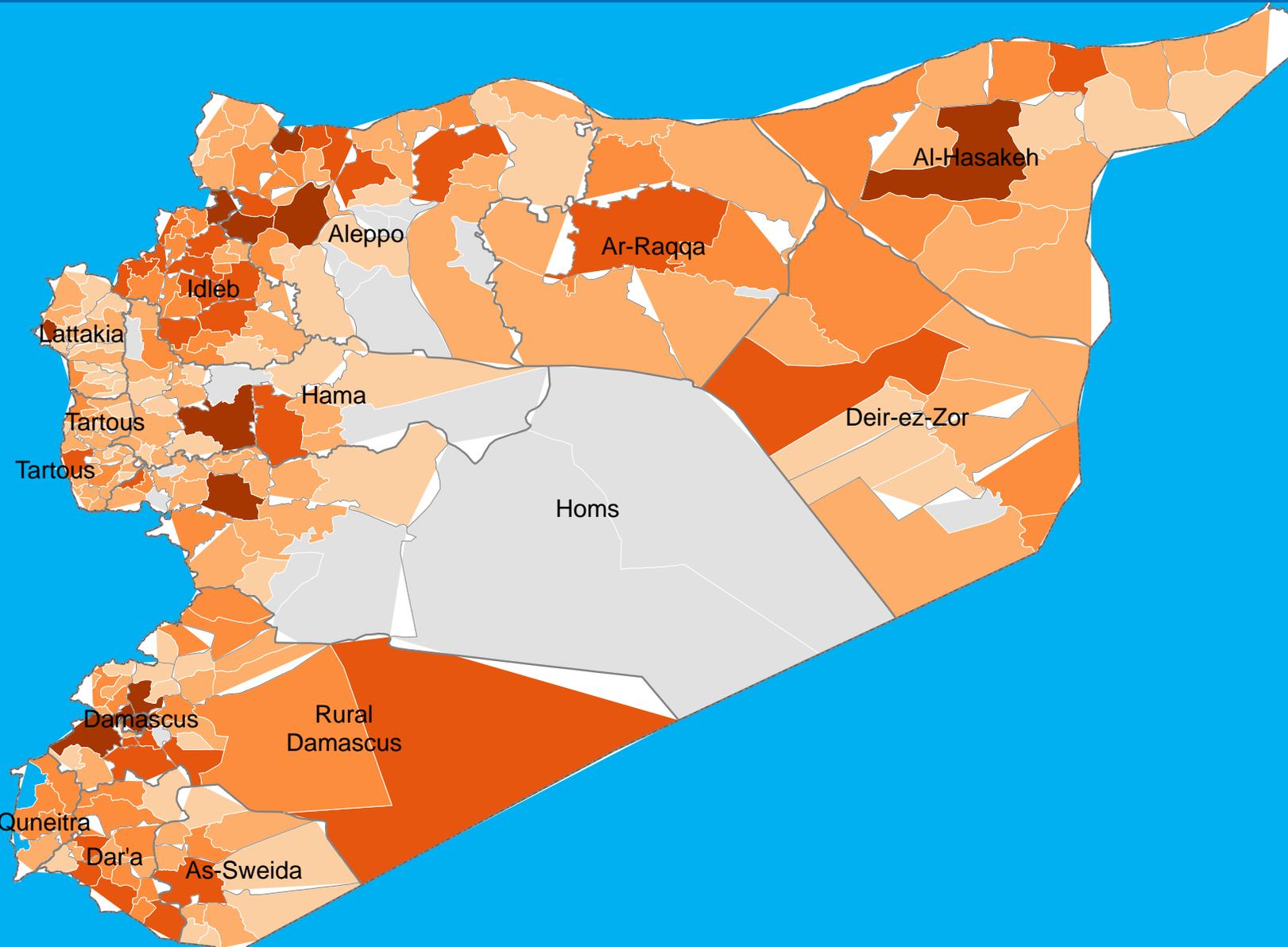


# Syrian refugees: some data

- Around 5,6 million Syrians left Syria
- They are living in five neighboring countries (Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt)
- While Turkey absorbed most of the Syrian refugees (3,6 mln), in Lebanon, 1 out of 6 persons is a Syrian refugee
- Only around 10% live in camps
- More than 1/3 are children in the age group 5-17 years old
- No downwards trend yet – partially due to the relatively high population growth



# IMPACT OF CRISIS INSIDE SYRIA

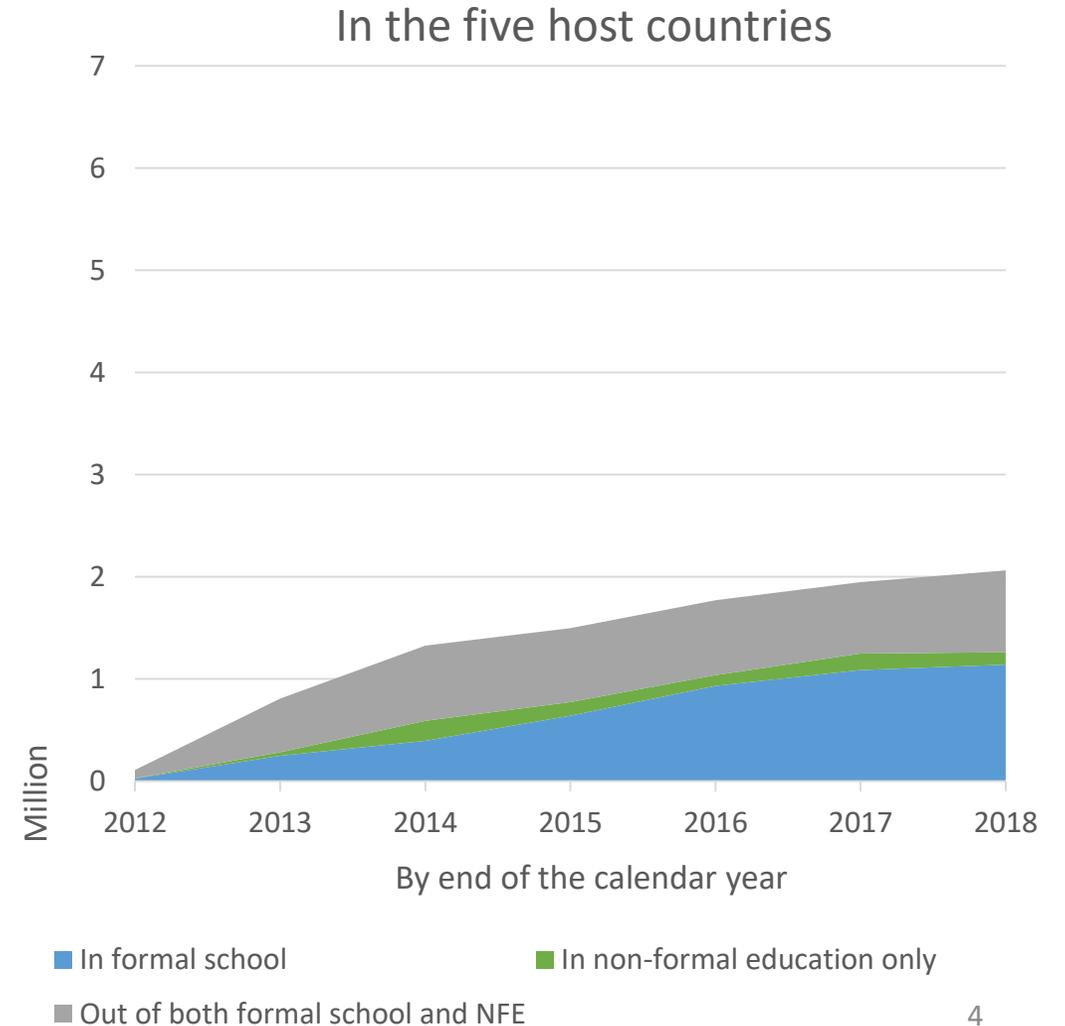
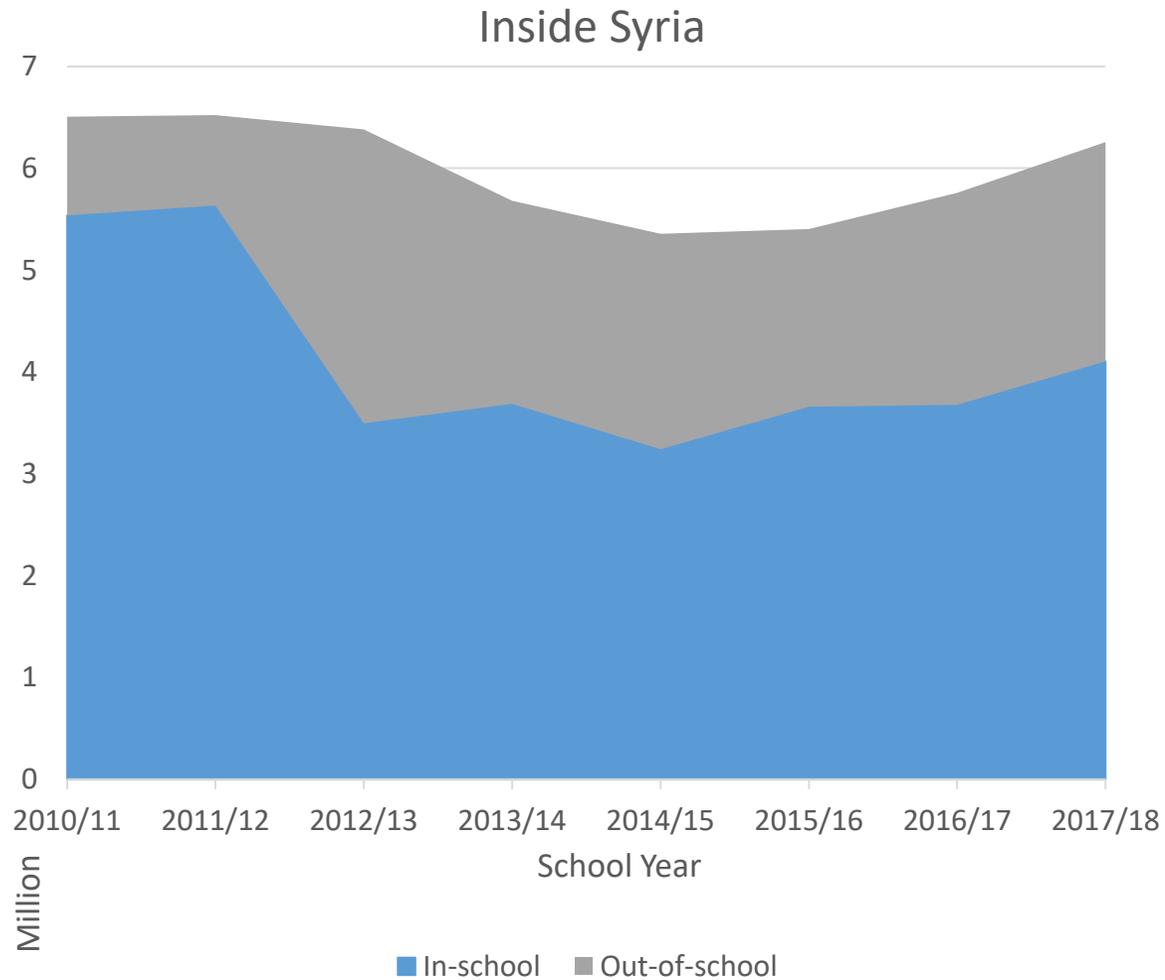


**6.18 million**  
Total IDPs

<b>3.11M</b> Female	<b>3.07M</b> Male
<b>2.63M</b> Children	
<b>1.23M</b> Girls	<b>1.40M</b> Boys

# of IDPs in sub-districts	# of Sub-districts	# of IDPs
>100,000	13	3,223,944
30,000 - 100,000	32	1,656,165
10,001 - 30,000	50	898,451
1,001 - 10,000	96	376,949
1 - 1,000	59	28,411
No IDPs	20	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>6,183,919</b>

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- **Post-basic:** Very low enrolment in upper secondary, tertiary and TVET. This area is less prioritized in the education response.
- **Gender parity:** The gender parity index (GPI) for the gross enrolment ratio (GER) shows a disadvantage for boys.
- **Children with disabilities:** Lack of data and low availability of facilities for children with disabilities.
- **Learning outcomes:** For refugee children the achievement gap remains compared to host communities

# Barriers to participation and learning



Need to survive



Safety (on the way to) school



Distress/exposure to traumatic events



Stigmatization



Lack of functioning schools



Sheer numbers affected



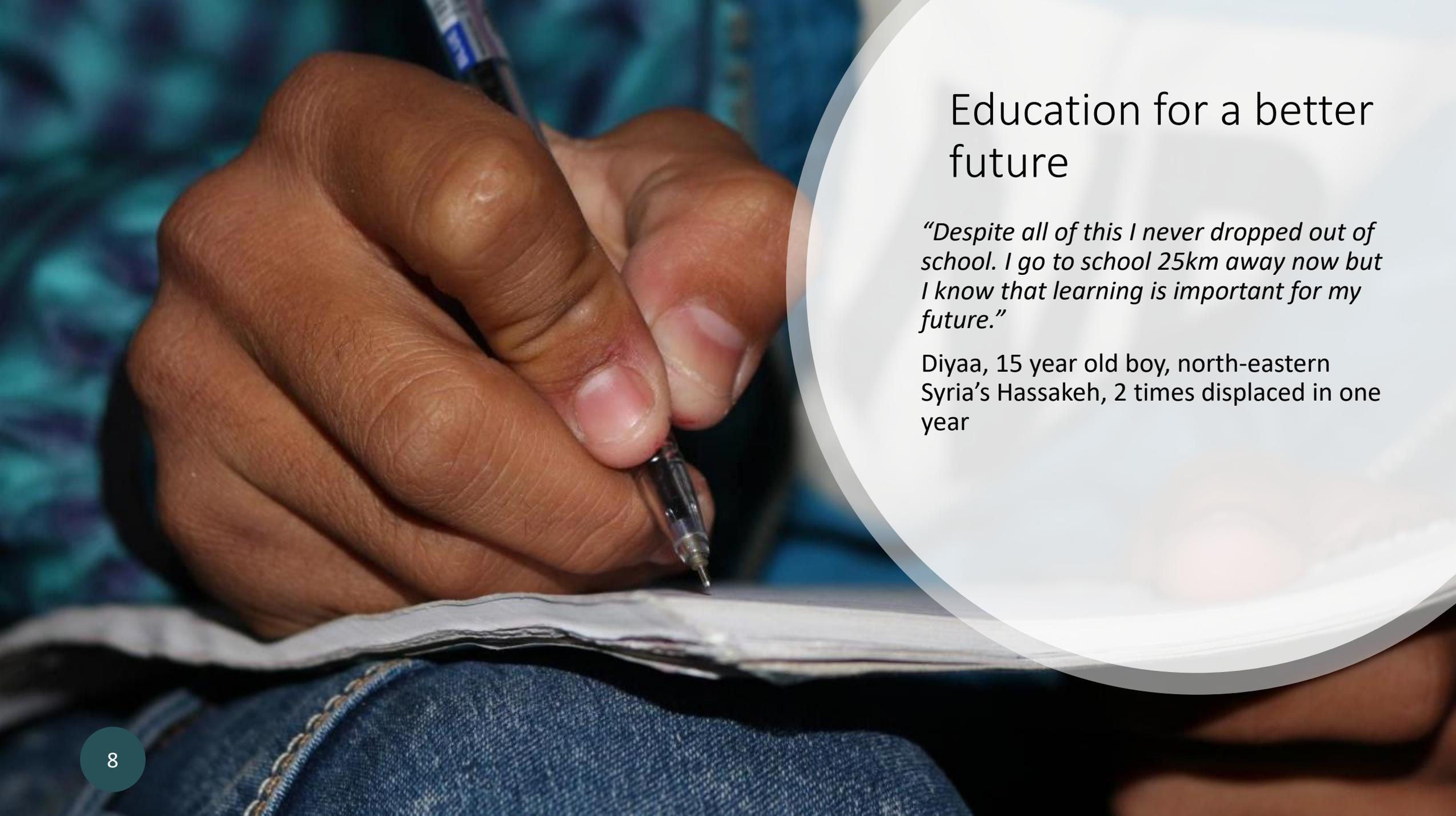
Going to school provides  
stability and a sense of  
belonging

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*"My old school is much more beautiful. Going to school, even if it is a tent, is important. I feel safe here. I no longer have to see the fighting."*

9 year-old Marwa, though she used to miss school on days when fighting in east Ghouta intensified





## Education for a better future

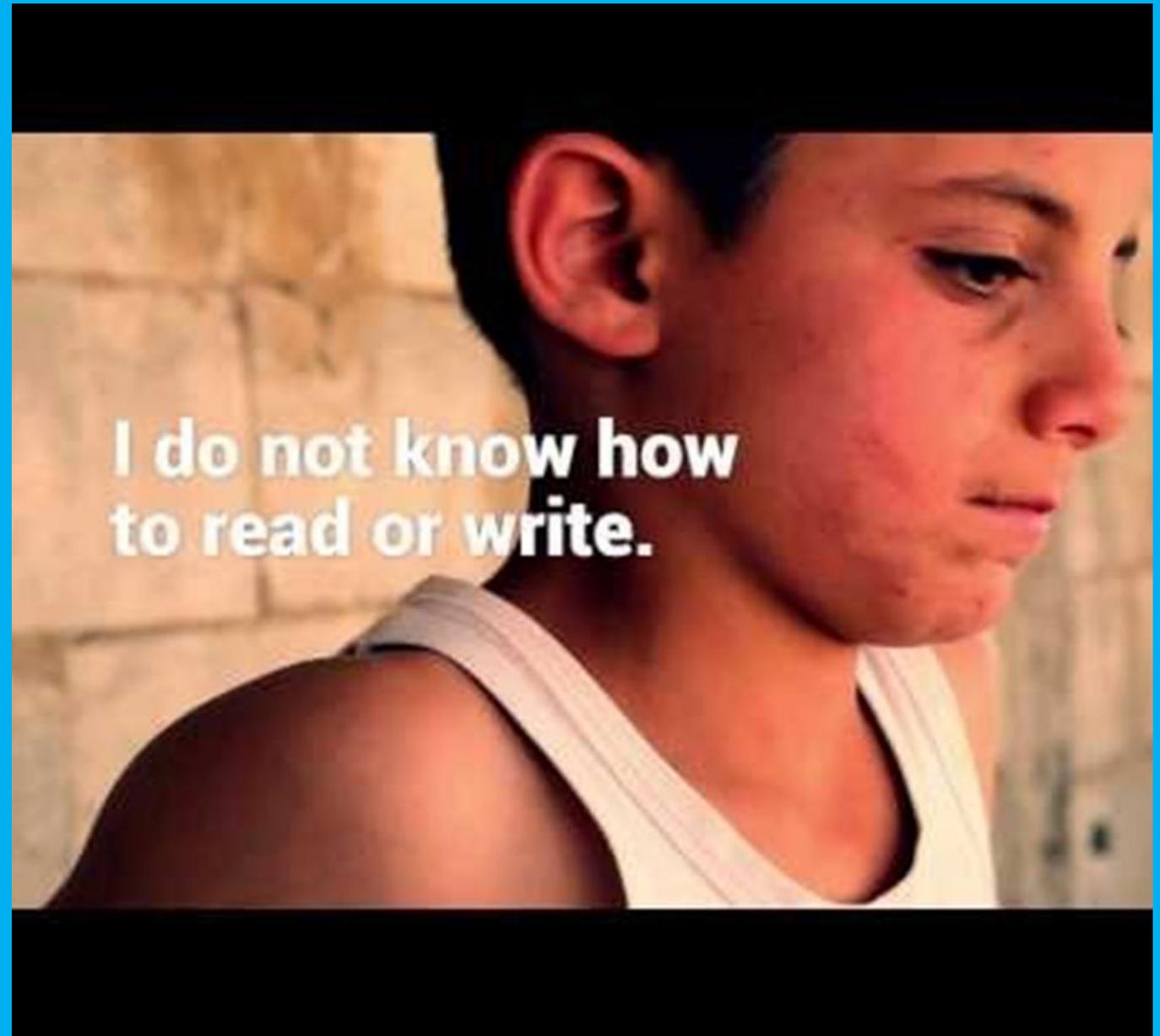
*“Despite all of this I never dropped out of school. I go to school 25km away now but I know that learning is important for my future.”*

Diyaa, 15 year old boy, north-eastern Syria’s Hassakeh, 2 times displaced in one year

AN ESTIMATED 180,000 TEACHERS ARE NO LONGER IN SERVICE. SOME 40 PER CENT OF SCHOOLS HAVE BEEN DAMAGED OR DESTROYED, AND MANY OTHERS HAVE BEEN USED TO SHELTER DISPLACED PEOPLE.

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ALL SYRIAN CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO EDUCATION WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION, AND THIS RIGHT MUST BE PROTECTED, RESPECTED AND FULFILLED.



# Education response: examples

## Formal schools

9 out of 10 children in learning are in formal schools

In Turkey, language classes are offered to facilitate participation

In Lebanon and Jordan, second shifts were introduced

## Accelerated learning programs

Targeting older children with a focus on certification and possibly reintegration

Mostly in non-formal settings

Inside Syria, side-by-side with normal curriculum (curriculum A and B)

## Catch up programs

Facilitate (re-) integration in formal system

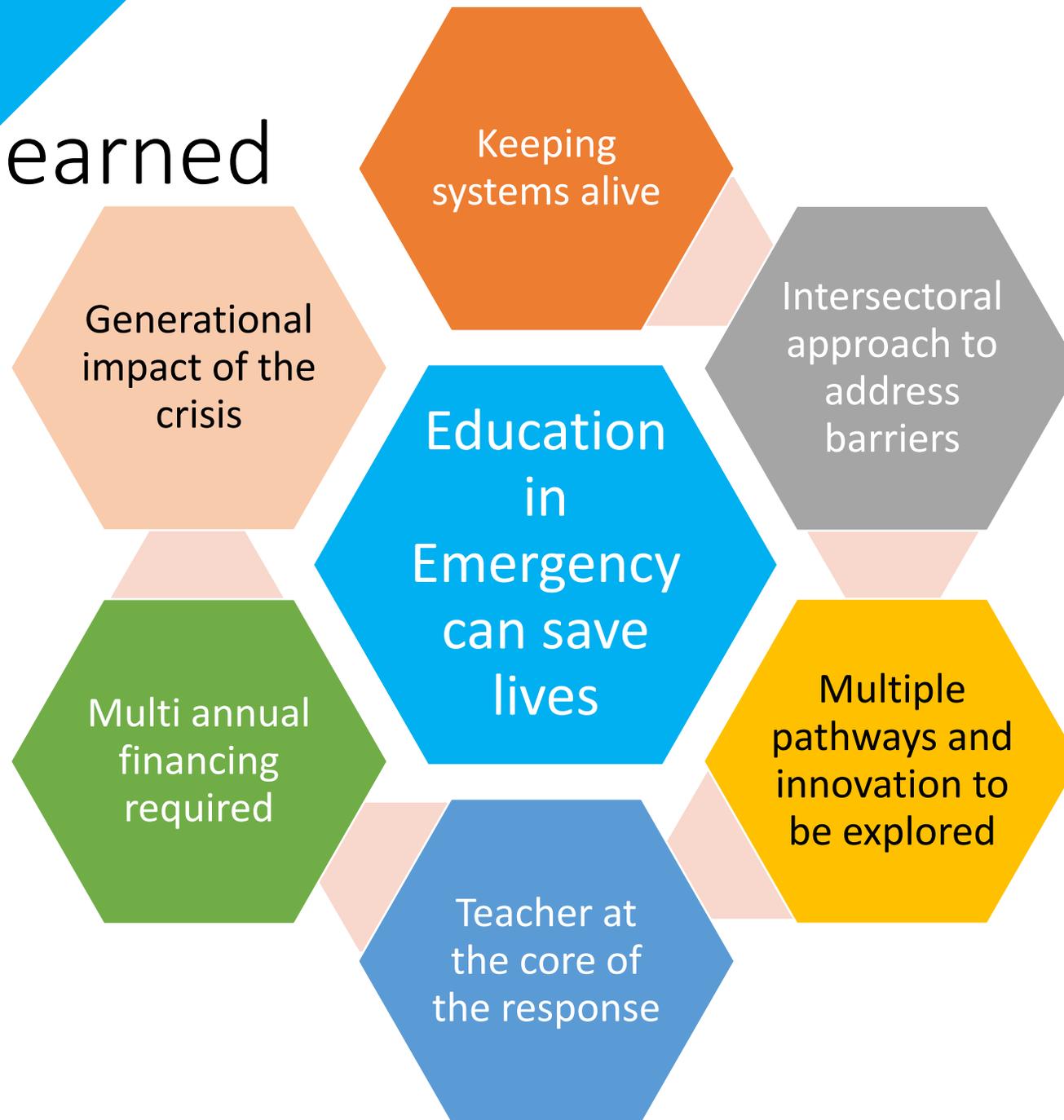
Makani centres (Jordan)

## Innovations

Hakeem chatbot- easy, fast and free way to access further educational resources online

Tech for Food project (Iraq) - mobile skills to access the digital marketplace, promoting their chances of employment through online jobs.

# Lessons learned





# Opportunities

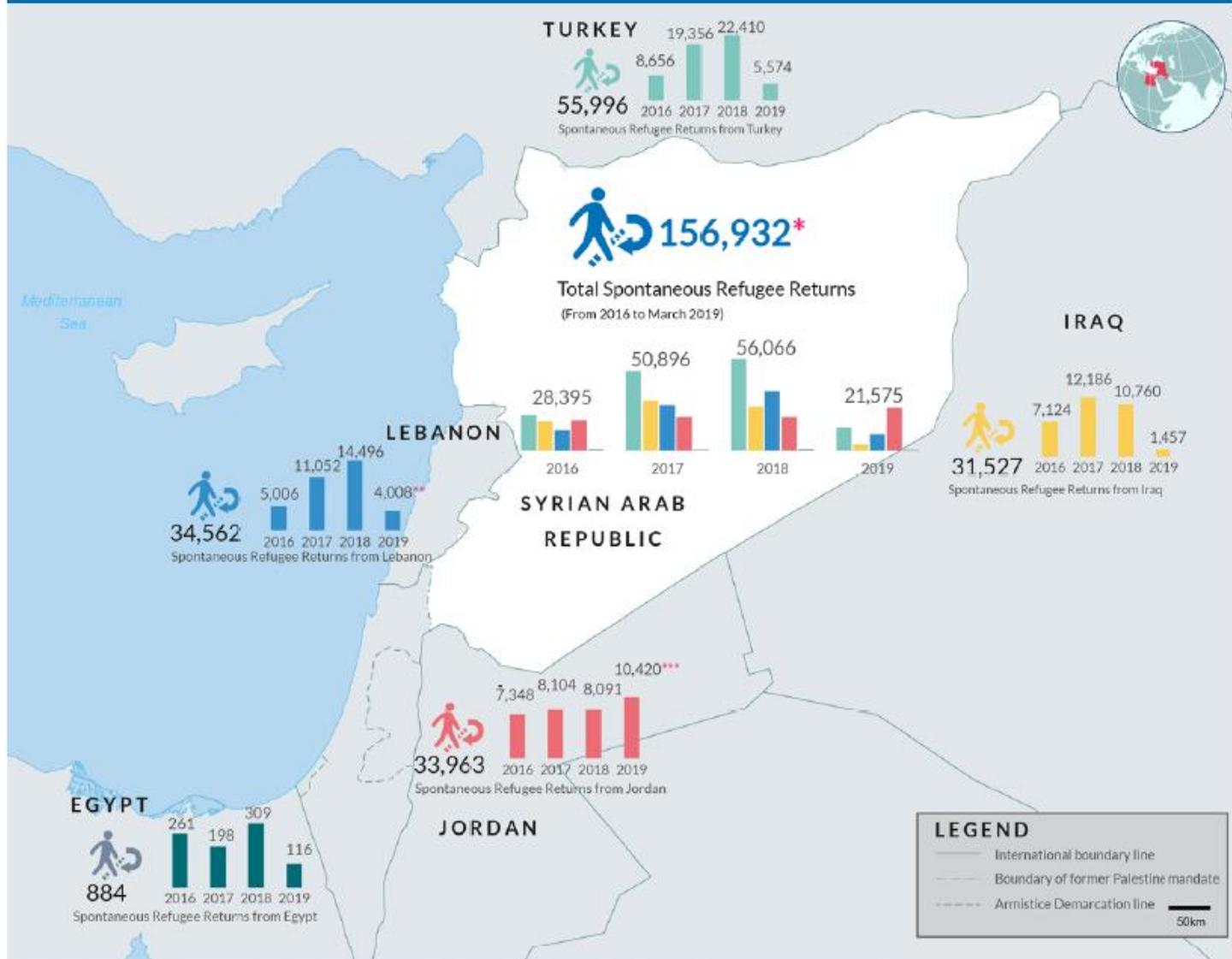
- Importance given to education by parents and partners
- Resilience of communities and children
- Technologies
- High level of coordination and partnership



# Challenges

- Highly politicized context
- Difficulties to address some of the root causes of the crisis (political, social, economic)
- Predictable and longer term financial commitments
- Uncertainty of “what is next”  
– *rate of return*

# Self-Organized Syrian refugee returns as verified by UNHCR\* as of 31 March 2019



**50,900**  
 Refugee returns in 2017

**56,047**  
 Refugee returns in 2018

**21,575**  
 Refugee returns so far in 2019

\* The numbers reported are only those monitored/verified by UNHCR and do not reflect the entire returns.

\*\* These figures include only those verified by UNHCR. General Security reported additional figures from their group returns and these total 484 individuals were not known to UNHCR.

\*\*\* The figures following the re-opening of the border in October 2018 are tentative. UNHCR identifies returns based on departure lists regularly obtained from the Government.

Syrian children  
require our  
support, now even  
more than ever!

Thank you!



## INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

Protection and learning for all Syrian  
children and youth

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