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Shelter Meeting 13a

Jordan Update

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Introduction

- Overview of different shelter response options
- Descriptive knowledge, rather than evaluative
- Soft Systems thinking
  - ST as an approach to problem solving, by viewing "problems" as parts of an overall system
  - Hard systems: bounded entities with a physical existence which can be formally described or designed to fulfill a given purpose
  - Soft systems: system mental construct used for human understanding. Description of the system is depending on perspective

Shelter 2013

- Process focussed approach: facilitation of self-build; supporting settlement strategies
- Shelter solutions are highly localized (‘tailor made’)... the idea of ‘selling pre-defined packages’ becomes inappropriate
- Locally developed innovations and knowledge cannot be transferred to other contexts automatically… new processes of learning and negotiation

Jordan context 1

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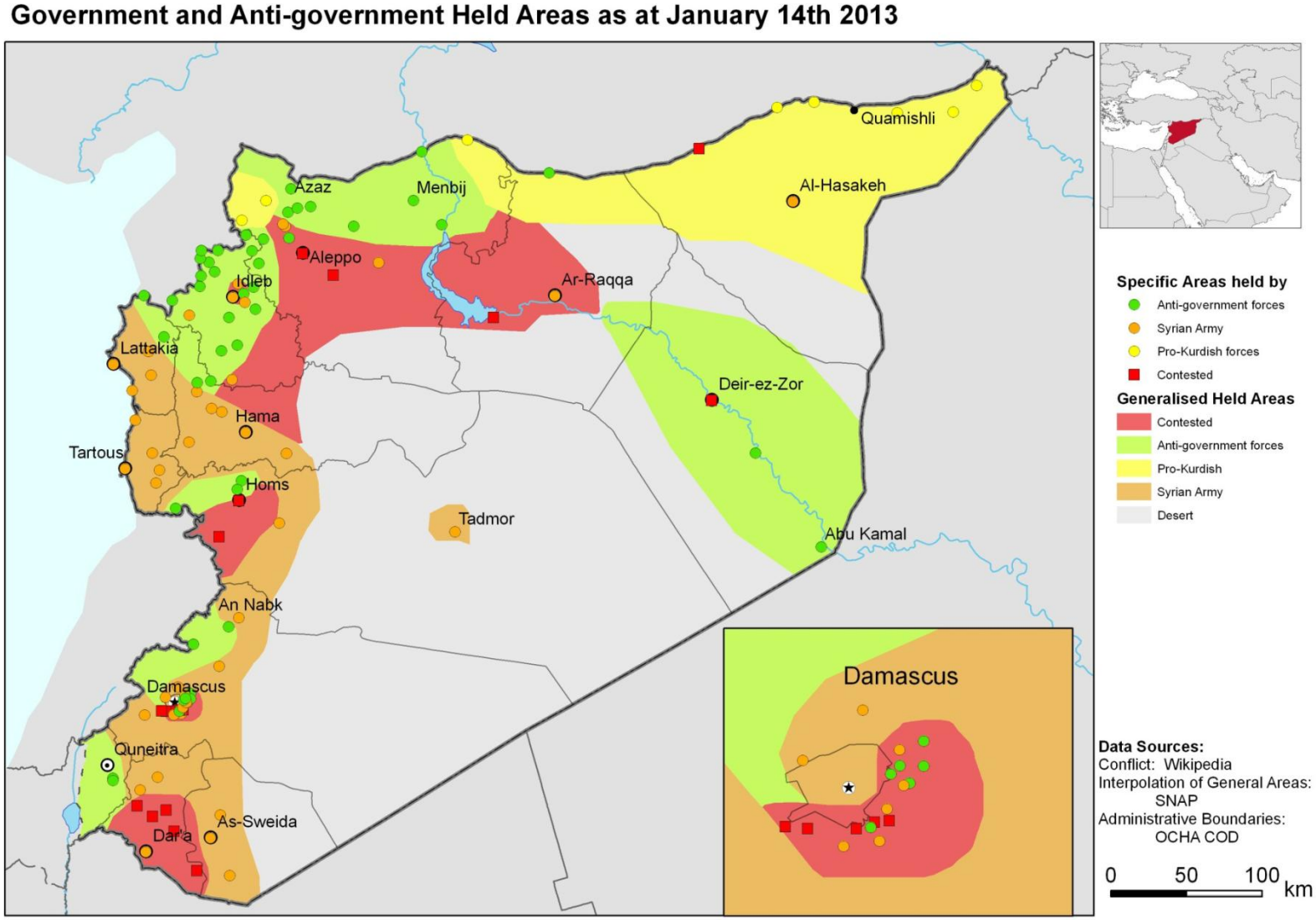

Jordan

- http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/country.php?id=107
  - **448,370 persons of concern**
  - **393,370 registered refugees**
  - **470,000 Government estimate**

Response option: Camps

- Zaartari Camp: **103,663** people
  - NRC: 33,654 tents pitched (23/04); NFI distribution
- Azraq camp: new
- Mri Heb al-Fuhud camp (Emirates)

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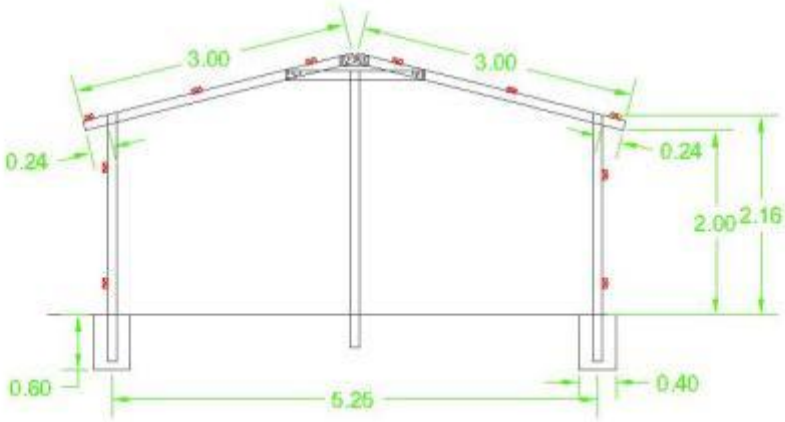
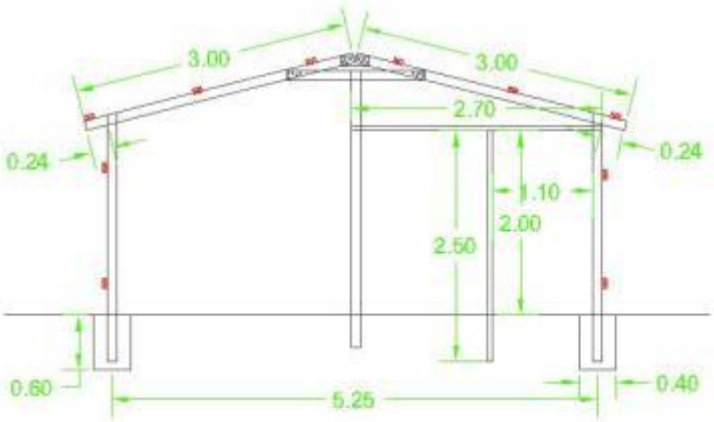
New camp: Azraq

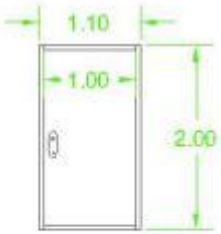
- To accommodate 110,000 refugees and will be roughly equivalent in size to Zaatari
- NRC plans:
  - Tent set up in transitional Villages (5000 units)
  - Transitional Shelters (1500USD) in camp
  - 22.500 +5.000= 27.500 shelters
  - Kitchen Construction in Transitional Villages (1.700 units); NFI new arrival distribution; Potential construction of latrine superstructures (under negotiation with UNICEF); Replenishment of NFIs – 3 compounds; Supervising a maintenance team; etc

NRC Transition Shelter Azraq 2013

Detailed front view & Door details







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- Video of Azraq site

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Response option 2: House upgrading

- Finishing unfinished houses to increase available housing stock
- Pilot of 165 units in Irbid
- Through CBOs and self-build (by hosts)
- Aim: average 1,250 USD per unit
- Maximum of 10 units per property
- Start: assesment of buildings and beneficiary selection

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Next steps?

- Predictive knowledge...
- Most likely scenario: increasing numbers of refugees
- Sumarization & Winterisation
- Expansion urban response
- Upgradable T-Shelter in hosting areas?
- Considering number of suitable unfinished houses: retro-fitting?