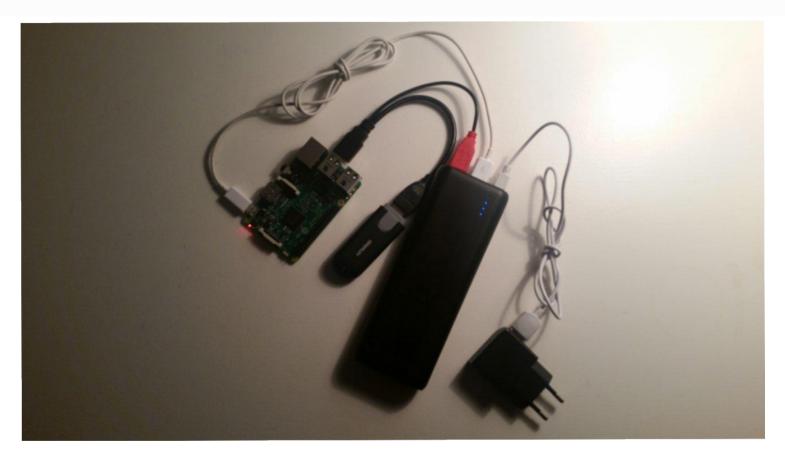


RefugeeHotspot

A mobile device to remove the obstacles that refugees face when it comes to access the internet.



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Migrants & Refugees

- Definitions, definitions, definitions
- UN convention on Status of Refugees
- UN protocol relating to the Status of Refugees
- EU Charter of Fundamental Rights
- Dublin Agreement
- State of Exception
- People in Limbo
- Sans Papiers



Situation in the Netherlands

- Refugees centrally registered by Centraal Orgaan opvang Asielzoekers (COA)
- It's COA policy to provide Internet access at its centers
- COA is overwhelmed with large influx
- COA doesn't provide services to undocumented migrants



Objective

Providing Internet access to migrant and refugees – those who need it most

Activities

- Provide wired Internet access in (semi-)permanent locations
- Provide wireless access in all other situations



Two centers connected



Hackathon!



Requirements

- Portable and sturdy (eviction or demonstration)
- Minimal state (privacy)
- Shareable bandwith
- Reasonable security expectations
- Landingpage // information page
- Remote administation
- Reasonably priced

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Prelimenary findings

- No existing cheap hardware that can do rate limiting + landingpage
- Netaidkit has nice security features but too low specs
- OpenWRT seems like a bit of a pain
- Raspberry Pi is very versatile and runs Debian



Intermediary findings

- It takes longer than expected : P
- 3G dongles need voodoo drivers
- 3G dongles need an external power source
- Raspberry Pi 3 comes out with integrated WiFi antenna!

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Vous êtes connecté à un réseau prévu pour les migrants et réfugiés. Il permet l'accès aux libertés fondamentales d'expression et d'information. Ce dispositif vise à réduire les obstacles que rencontrent les réfugiés face à l'accès à internet.

Bienvenido, esto es una conexión a internet para migrantes y refugiados para mejorar su libertad the expresión y acceso a la información. Este dispositivo ayuda a remover los obstaculos que confrontan los refugiados a la hora de acceder a internet y proporciona un kit de herramientas de media para refugiados, activistas y culquier otra persona.

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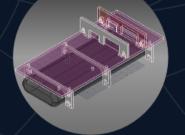
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Help us connect refugees



OPTION 1: CIVE. Cive to the project by donating a refugee hotspot to a group of refugees or help us pay bandwidth.



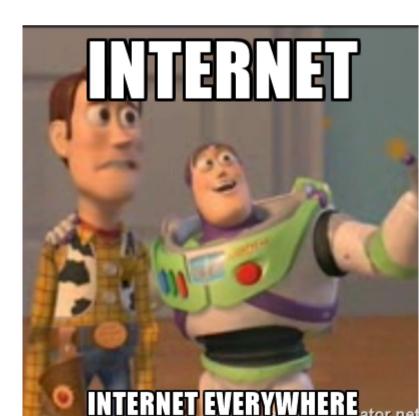
OPTION 2: DIY. buy the equipment, put it together yourself, and optionally 3D print the casing



OPTION 3: BUY. buy a fully installed Refugee Hotspot (including or excluding casing)

Future?

- Smooth install script
- Beta testing with 'We Are Here'-collective
- Casing with De Waag Society
- Dissemination and larger scale testing with collectives Hamburg, Berlin, and Brussels
- Dissemination throughout Europe and beyond



Contribute?

https://github.com/RefugeeHotspot/RefugeeHotspot

- Support on captive portal
- Support on traffic shaping
- Manual designers
- Beta testers
- Ideas (for instance GSM -> UTP failover)
- PULL REQUESTS $L(-_-) = L(-_-) = L(-$

