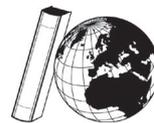
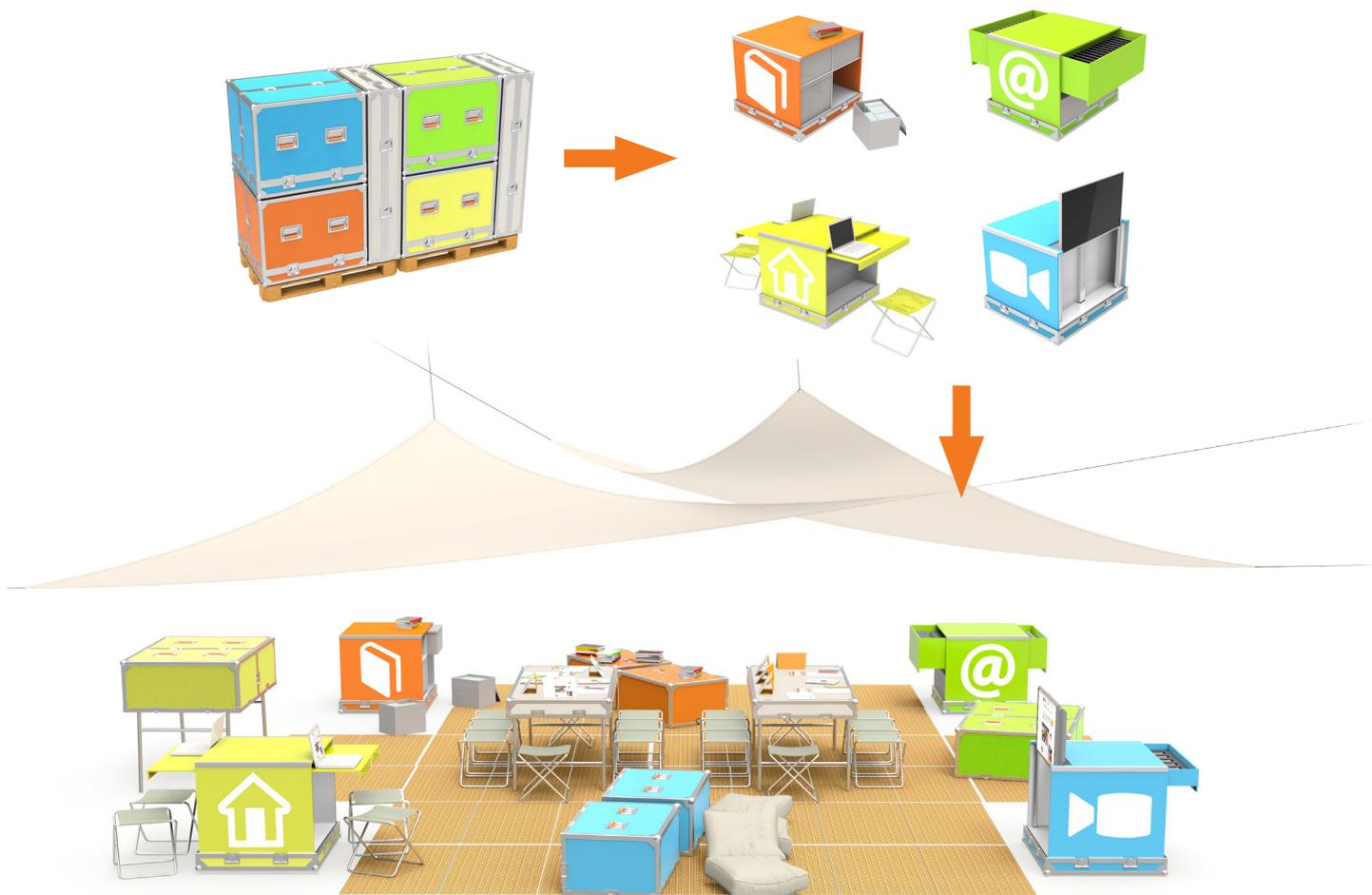


IDEASBOX

PORTABLE MEDIA-CENTER FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS



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LWB has developed a major innovation for access to education, culture and information for vulnerable populations: the Ideas Box, a portable media center. It provides tools for teachers, education, professional development, artistic creativity and access to critical information. It empowers children, adults, and communities to pave foundations for a self-reliant future.

Designed by creator Philippe Starck and created in partnership with the UN Refugee Agency, the Ideas Box is a comprehensive toolkit for populations worldwide. The Box itself protects the contents from rain, heat, and dust, and can be packed and unpacked within minutes

The first Ideas Box were implemented in February 2014 in Congolese refugee camps in Burundi (please, turn the page to see 1st impacts). Upcoming projects and implementations include: Jordan and Lebanon for populations affected by the Syrian crisis, France and the US for migrant populations and Australia for Aboriginal communities.

THE IDEAS BOX AT A GLANCE

A media center in a kit, the Ideas Box fits on two pallets and can be installed in less than 20 minutes under any conditions. It brings:

- A **satellite Internet connection**, 15 tablets and 4 laptops
- A library with **250 paper books** and thousands of e-books as well as **50 e-readers**
- MOOC and **stand-alone Internet educational digital contents** such as Khan Academy, Wikipedia, mapping software, etc.
- A **cinema** with a rich film collection
- 5 HD **cameras** for film-making and journalism
- Board games and **video games**
- Arts and crafts materials, puppets and a **theatre workshop**.

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FIRST IMPACTS IN BURUNDI

With more than 24,000 visits in only 3 months and more than 3,000 registered users, the first 2 Ideas Box deployed in the Kavumu and Musasa refugee camps in Burundi have met with great success.

CHILD PROTECTION



Children are particularly vulnerable outside of school hours. The provision of an attractive and safe environment is one of the major impacts of the device. Age appropriate activities stimulate creativity.

QUALITY EDUCATION



In partnership with schools, it creates a stimulating learning environment. Children come to do their homework and teachers use it to prepare their classes with high-quality educational content such as the Khan Academy.

VIBRANT COMMUNITY



The Ideas Box serves as a platform to support the community and local organizations in creating workshops, activities and sharing resources. Debates are regularly held and a newspaper has been created.

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FIRST SET-UP OF THE IDEAS BOX IN THE US!

In October, we implemented the Ideas Box program at the Cambridge Community Center in Massachusetts, turning the center's annual "Family Night" into an interactive, fun, and educational event! One mother of a 7-year old boy told a reporter at The Citizen, "I've never witnessed something like this. I came to pick him up and he begged me to stay."



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