



## Shatila, Lebanon: Campji online platform

Up to 40,000 people live in the Shatila refugee camp in southern Beirut. Many fled Palestine after 1948 but there are now many Syrian refugees who have fled their country's civil war. Since 2016 DW Akademie has been training young camp residents as video journalists and together they have set up the online platform Campji. They report on everyday life, develop educational content and produce investigative reports.




“ Media reports about Shatila are often negative and reflect stereotypes. It's a balancing act to address the problems without pointing fingers. I really believe that with Campji, things in Shatila will start to change. I think people will start discussing the problems they're facing.


Rayan Sukkar, 24, Campji community journalist from Shatila


## DW Akademie

DW Akademie is Deutsche Welle's center for international media development. As a strategic partner of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), DW Akademie carries out media development projects that strengthen the human right to freedom of opinion and promote free access to information. DW Akademie also works on projects funded by the German Foreign Office and the European Union — in approximately 50 developing and emerging countries.

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### STAKEHOLDERS

#### Campji

Empowering refugees in Lebanon through media.  
[facebook.com/campji](https://facebook.com/campji)

#### Cross-Border Network

Sharing radio content in Uganda and South Sudan.  
[crossbordnet.org](https://crossbordnet.org)

#### Radio Naf 99.2 FM

Programs by and for Rohingya and Bangladeshis.  
[facebook.com/radionaf](https://facebook.com/radionaf)

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### PROJECTS

## Sharing hope: Dialogue in forced migration settings



## Empowering refugees and host communities through media



Wars, conflicts, natural disasters, poverty, inequality and discrimination are among the reasons people flee their homes. According to the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) by the end of 2018, 70.8 million people had been forced from their homes – the highest number ever.

### FACTS AND FIGURES

More than half of those fleeing did not cross their country's borders: the number of internally displaced persons rose to 41.3 million people. Of those who did cross borders, 80 percent found shelter in neighboring countries. Developing countries now host 84 percent of all refugees worldwide. *Source: UNHCR*

Forced migration poses major challenges for displaced people, host communities and relatives who remain at home. One challenge is accessing reliable information. In places where rumors, false reports and targeted misinformation abound, conflicts often escalate, for example, around scarce resources. This is where DW Akademie steps in. We promote the dialogue between refugees and host communities, train community journalists, strengthen conflict-sensitive reporting and support network-building across national borders.

## Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh: A voice for Rohingya and local residents

The world's biggest refugee camp is located in the Cox's Bazar District in southeastern Bangladesh. Some one million refugees have been living here since the Rohingya fled Myanmar in mid-2017. In 2018 DW Akademie began training young Rohingya and local Bangladeshis to become community reporters. Together with the community station Radio Naf, they produce reports on topics other than the major conflicts, and instead focus on life in the camp and surrounding villages. Radio is the best medium for this as some 70 percent of Rohingya are illiterate.



“ There was no education system for us in Myanmar but there were people from the neighborhood who taught me how to read. These are the people I miss the most. It's important to report on what matters to us all. I want people to know that we're listening to them and giving them a voice.

**Ibrahim**, 20, Rohingya community reporter for Radio Naf

## Border region Uganda/South Sudan: Information sharing with the Cross-Border Network

Since 2013, people in South Sudan have been suffering the effects of a civil war. Many have fled to neighboring Uganda. In the border region with more than one million refugees, DW Akademie has been supporting the Cross-Border Network (CBN) since it got underway in 2017. Located in southern South Sudan and northern Uganda, approximately 20 radio stations now share content and reports. This way, CBN can support people on both sides of the border, providing refugees, host communities and those who remained at home with reliable information and reports from refugee settlements. By exchanging and cross-checking information, the member stations actively combat rumors and hate speech.



“ With my work, I support media freedom every day. We don't sweep stories under the rug because they are unpleasant. We see ourselves as a bridge that connects us to people's interests, concerns and needs so that leaders can hear their voices. I want to create programs that hold decision makers accountable for their actions.

**Jane Angom Mujoma**, station manager of Speak FM in Gulu, Uganda, and coordinator of CBN's Ugandan stations