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Some starting remarks

- ❖ Thanks for muting your mic during the presentations.
- ❖ Questions can be made through the chat function or orally after the presentations.
- ❖ The webinar takes about one hour.
- ❖ The presentations will later be on our website www.drrplatform.org

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- Network of 17 Swiss-based NGOs
- Dedicated to increase resilience of women and men, communities and governments through an integrated approach to Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA)
- 3 pillars: Capacity building, Technical advice and Advocacy
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Introduction





Structure of the webinar

- ❖ Introduction with poll
- ❖ Conceptual input on the nexus
- ❖ Case study: Caritas Switzerland, Mali
- ❖ Case study: Caritas Switzerland, Syria Crisis
- ❖ Outlook, closure

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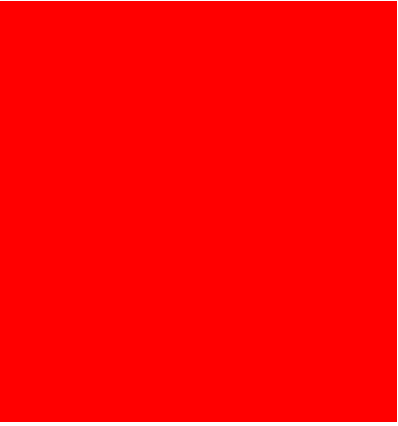
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Webinar Objectives

- ❖ An introduction to the nexus concept and trends
- ❖ Sharing of experience and challenges



Short Poll on the Nexus

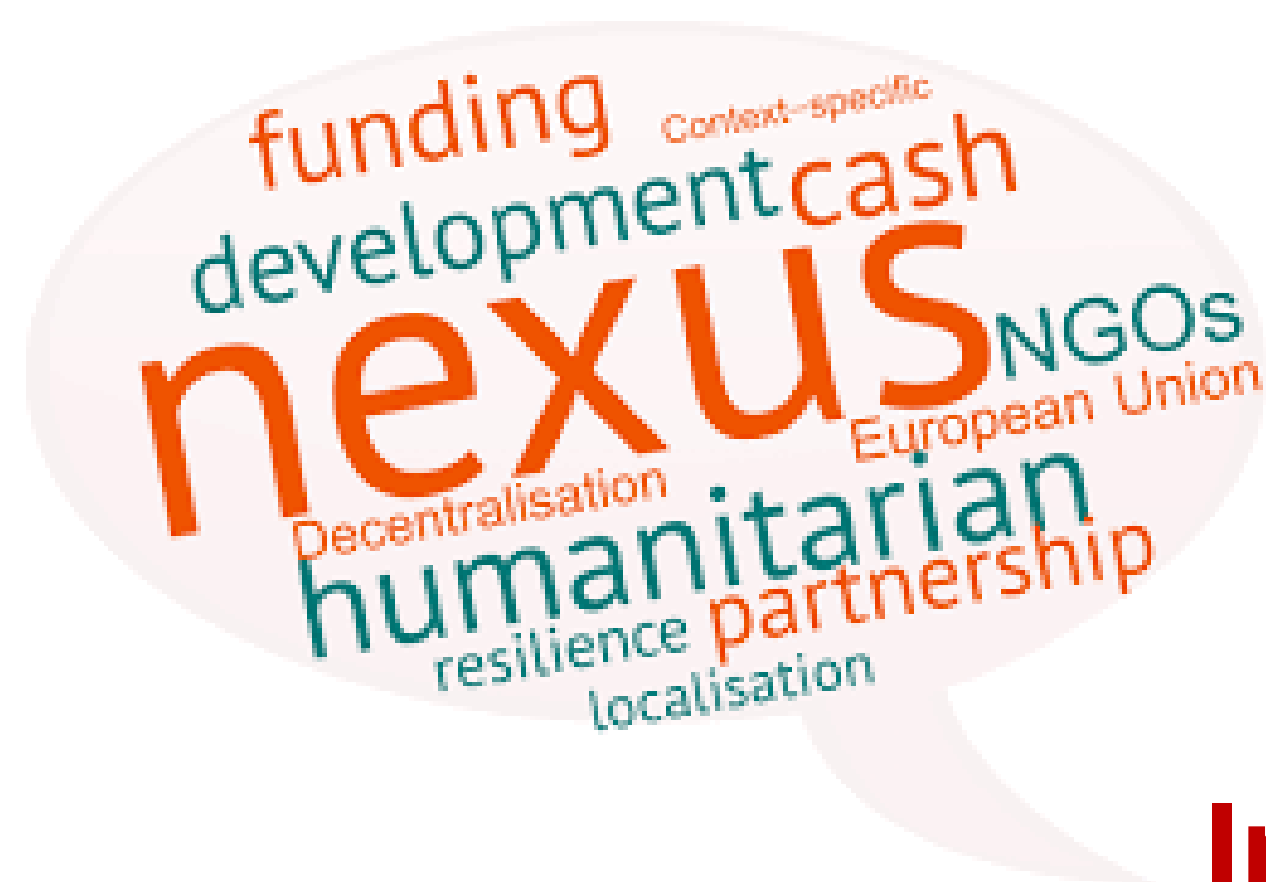


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Linking Relief, Rehabilitation and Development (LRRD) / Humanitarian-Development Nexus

Conceptual introduction

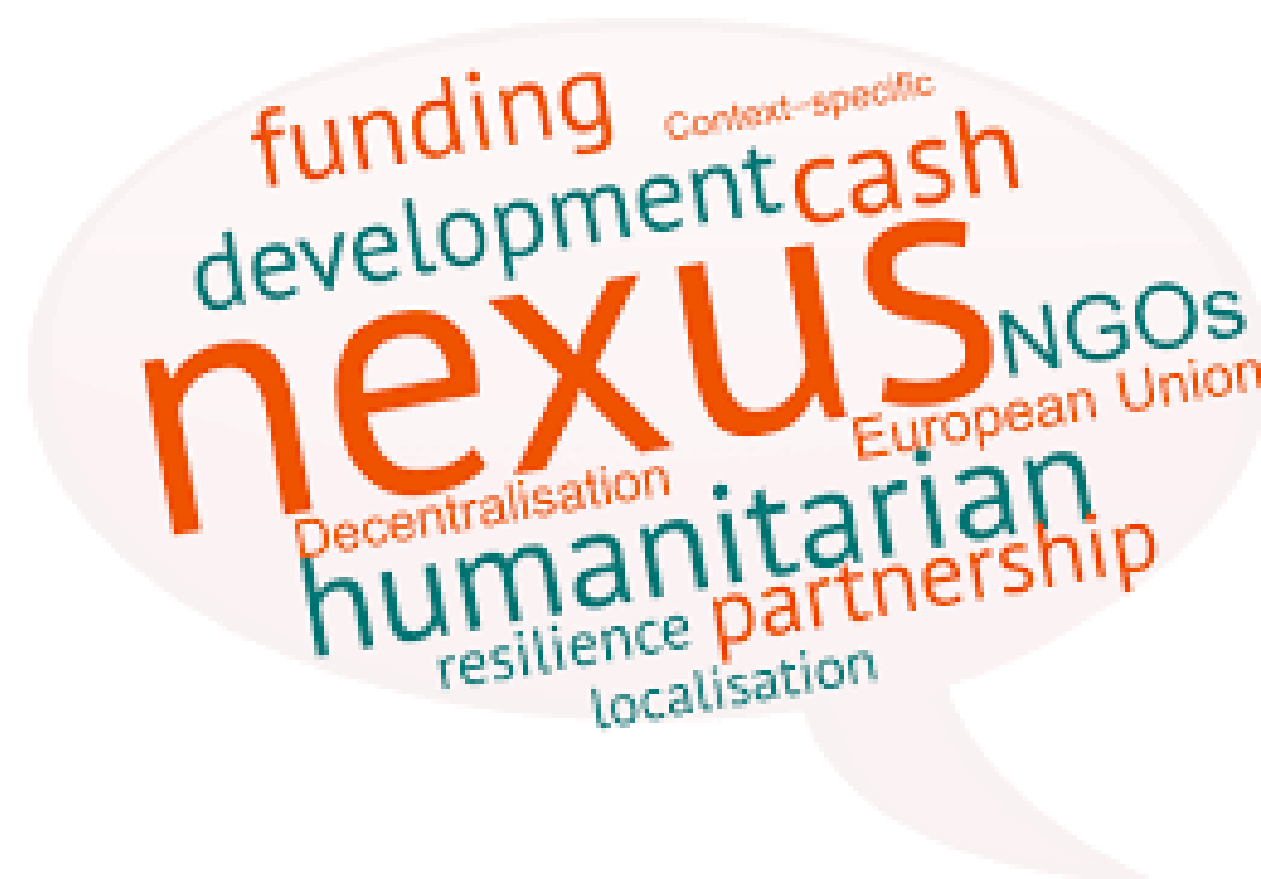




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Linking Relief, Rehabilitation and Development (LRRD) / Humanitarian-Development Nexus

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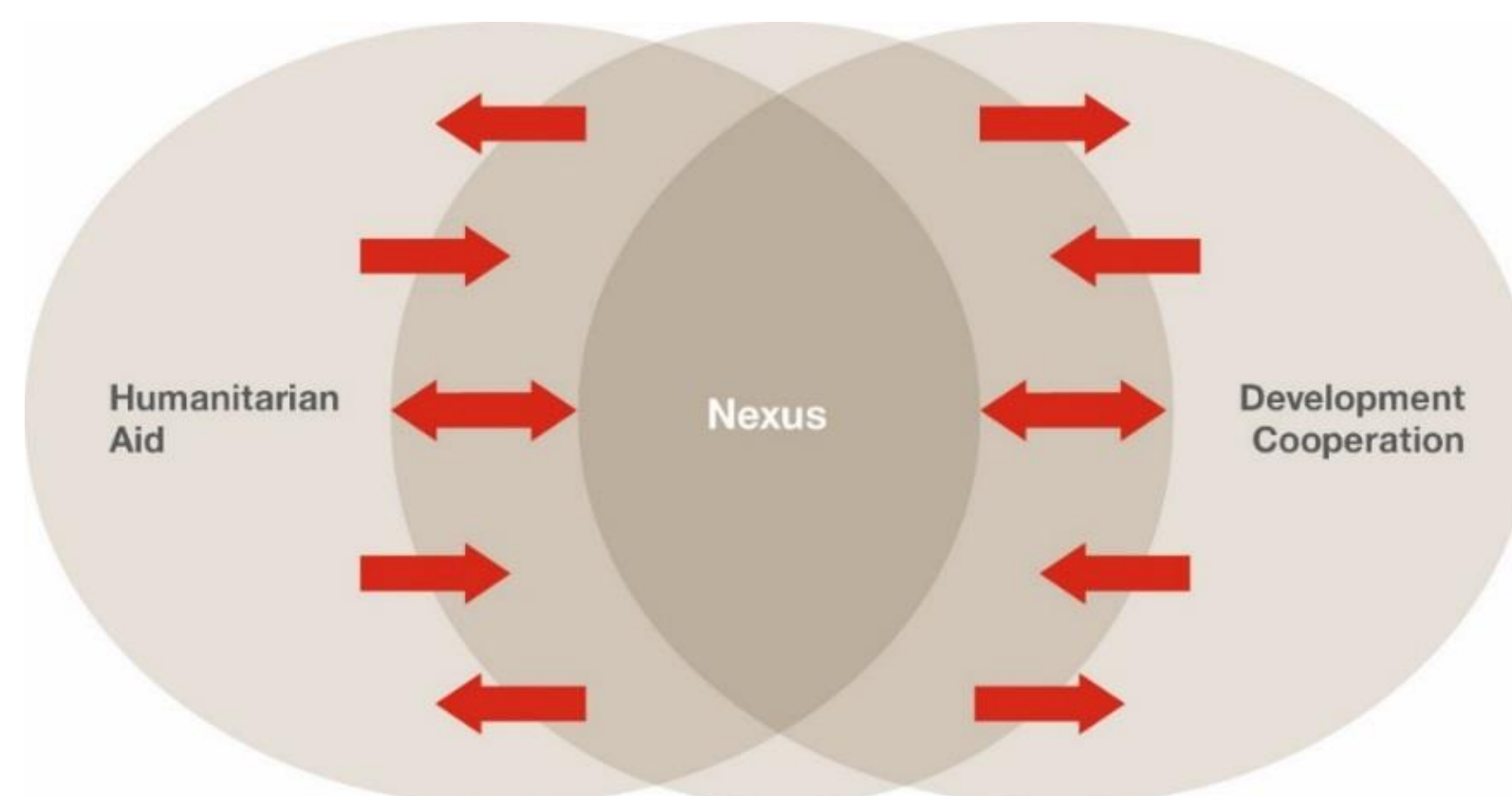


Outline

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| 1. Why? | Objectives of LRRD/Nexus |
| 2. What? | Definition and evolution of approach |
| 3. How? | Operationalising the Nexus |

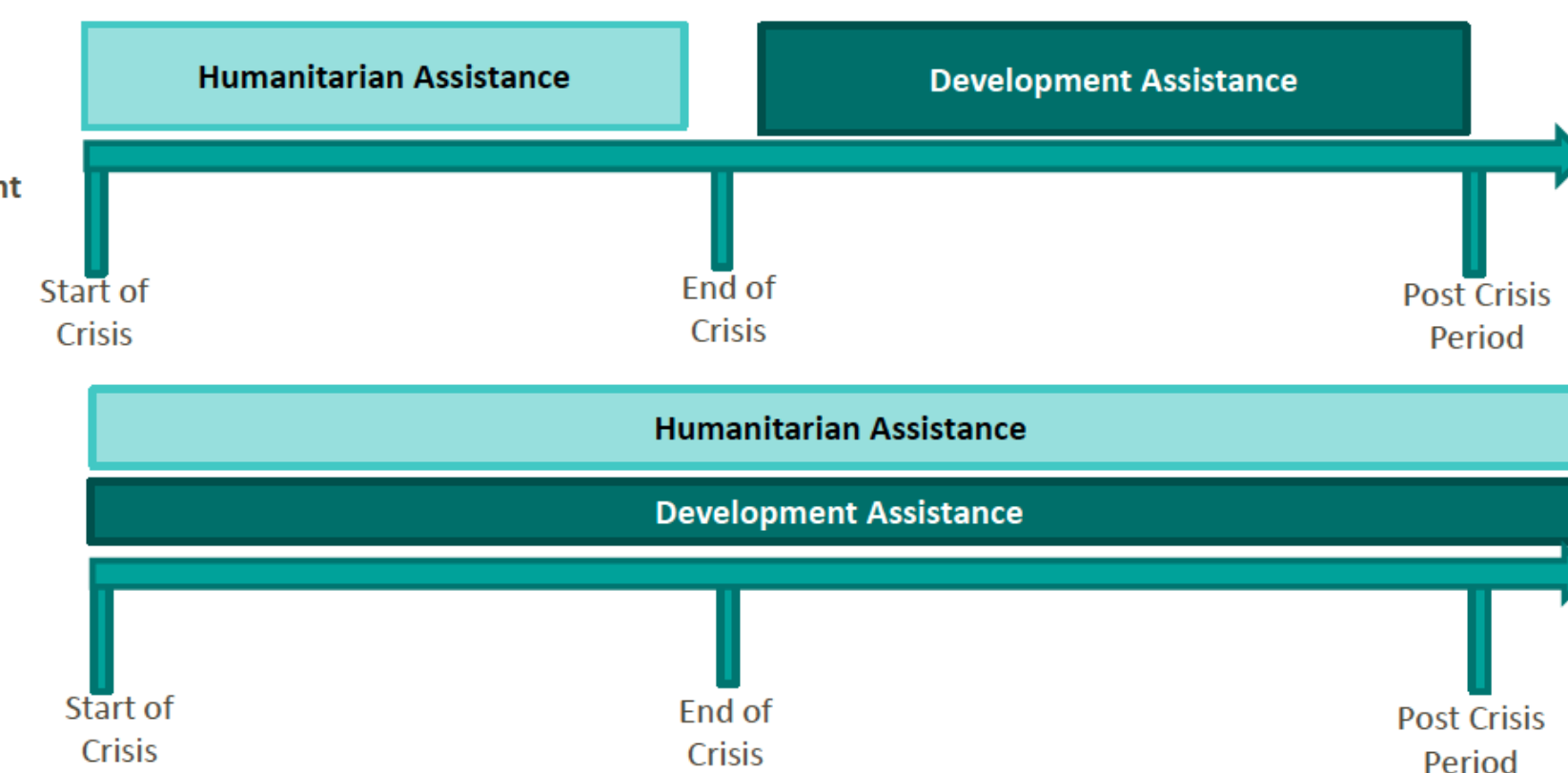
1. Why? Objectives of LRRD / Nexus

- **Enhanced collaboration** between domains humanitarian aid and development
- **Increased Effectiveness:** better linkages, coordination and streamlining between domains
- **Sustainability:** avoid doing harm, focus on short and long term
- **Means to an end:** improve wellbeing, reduce vulnerability and risk, increase resilience

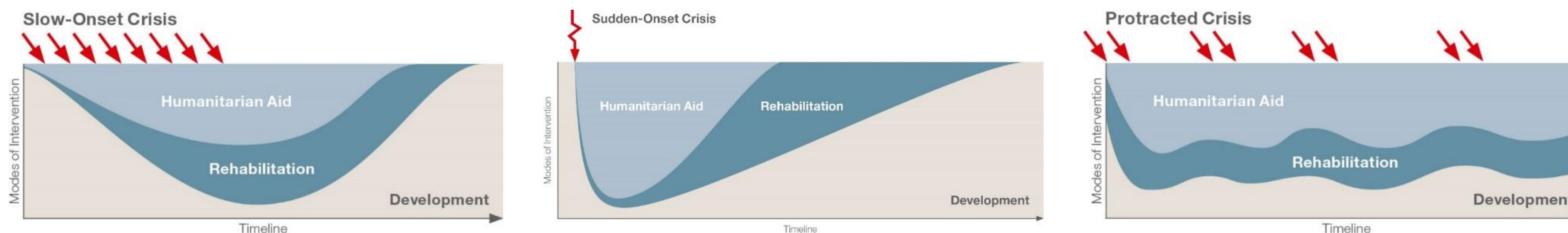


Moving from a humanitarian-development divide...

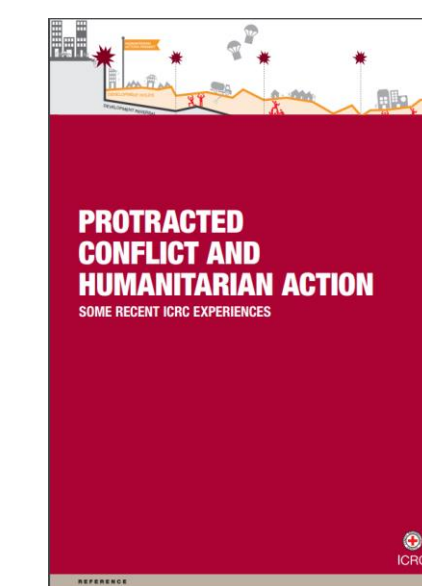
Towards a humanitarian-development nexus...



3. Why now?



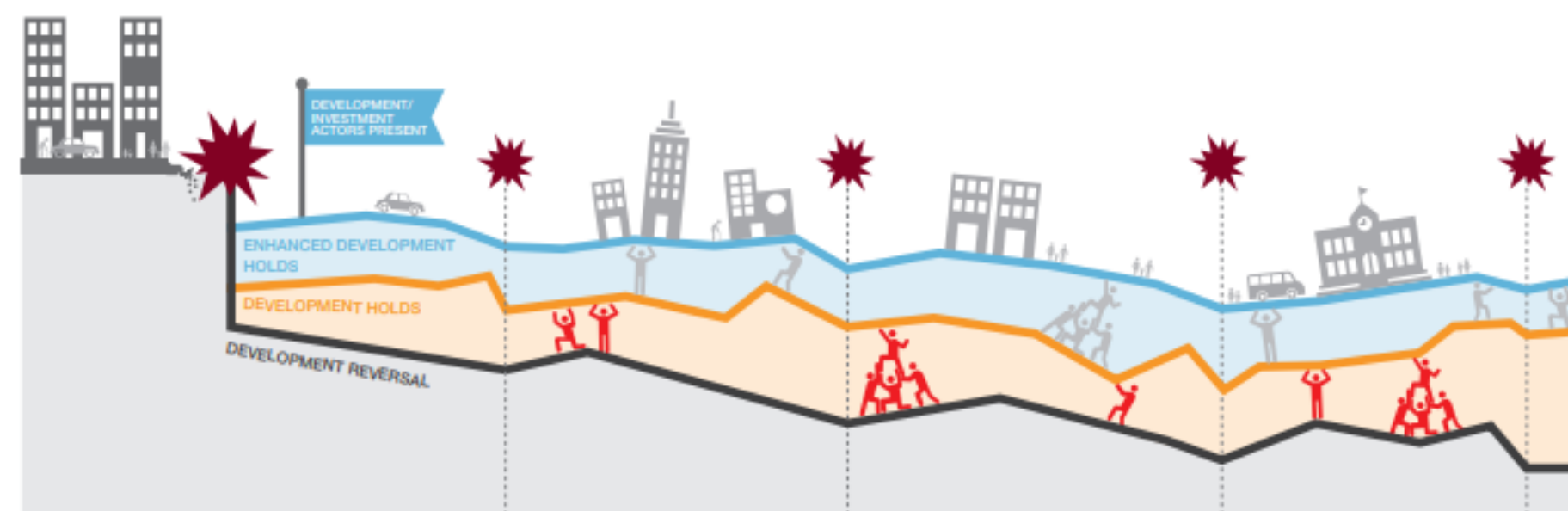
- Complex, resource-intensive protracted crises
- GHO 2019: Average length of Crisis: nearly 10 years
- Syria and Yemen Crises: since 2011/2012
- ICRC study Protracted Conflict: Combined efforts secure development holds



DEVELOPMENT HOLDS IN PROTRACTED CONFLICT
WITH HUMANITARIAN ENGAGEMENT



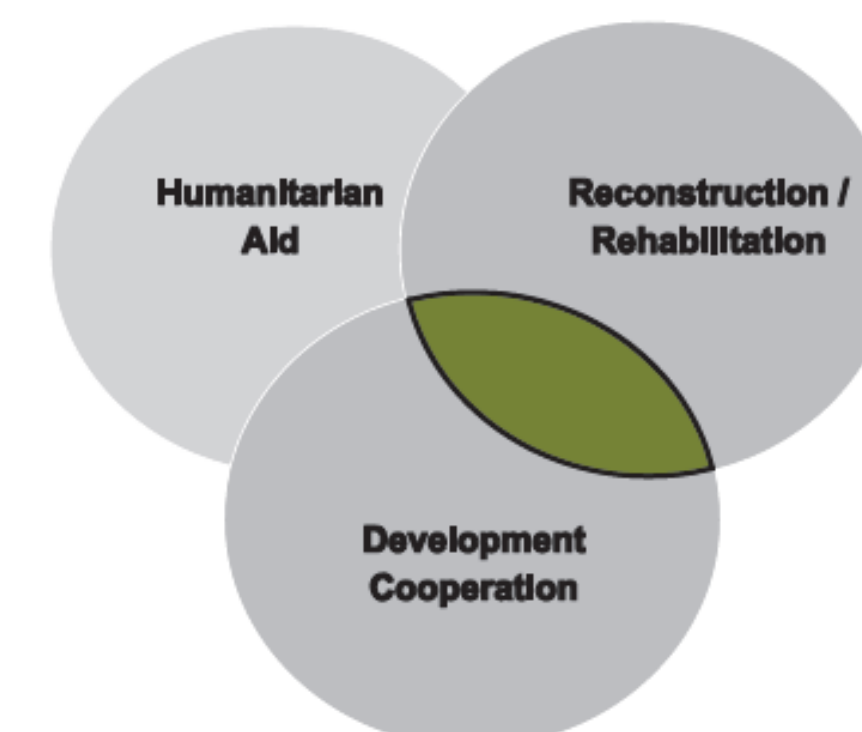
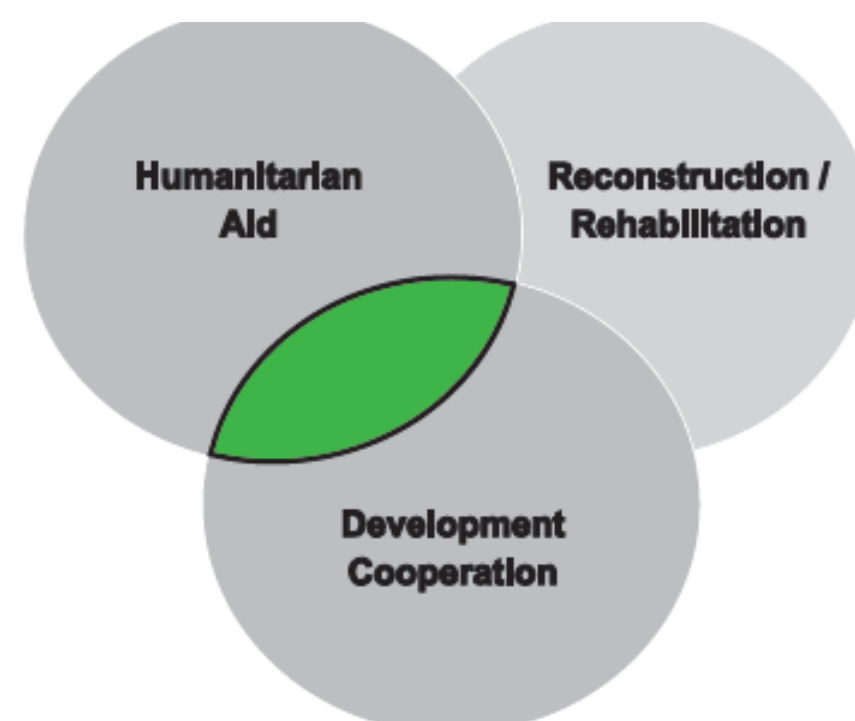
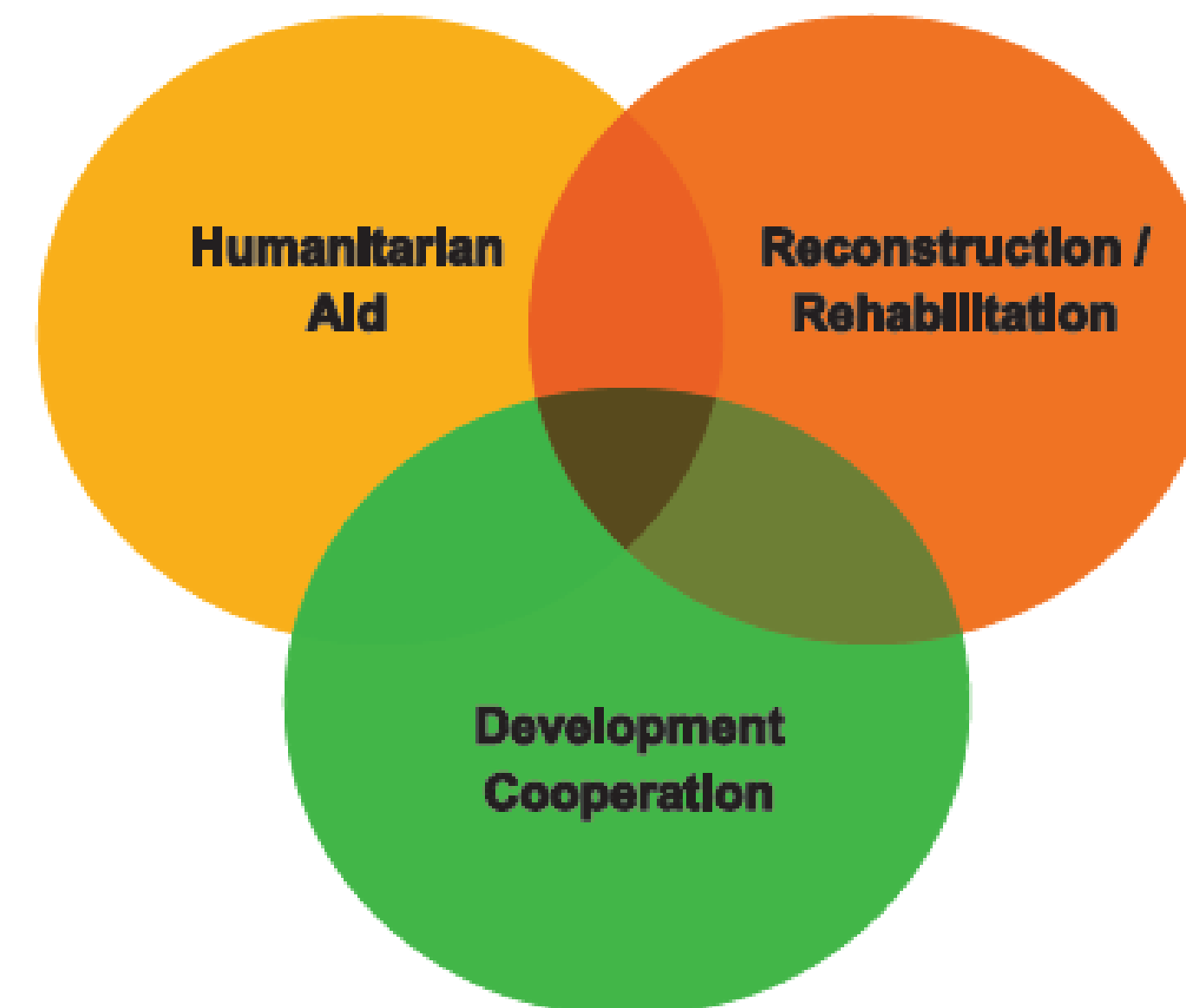
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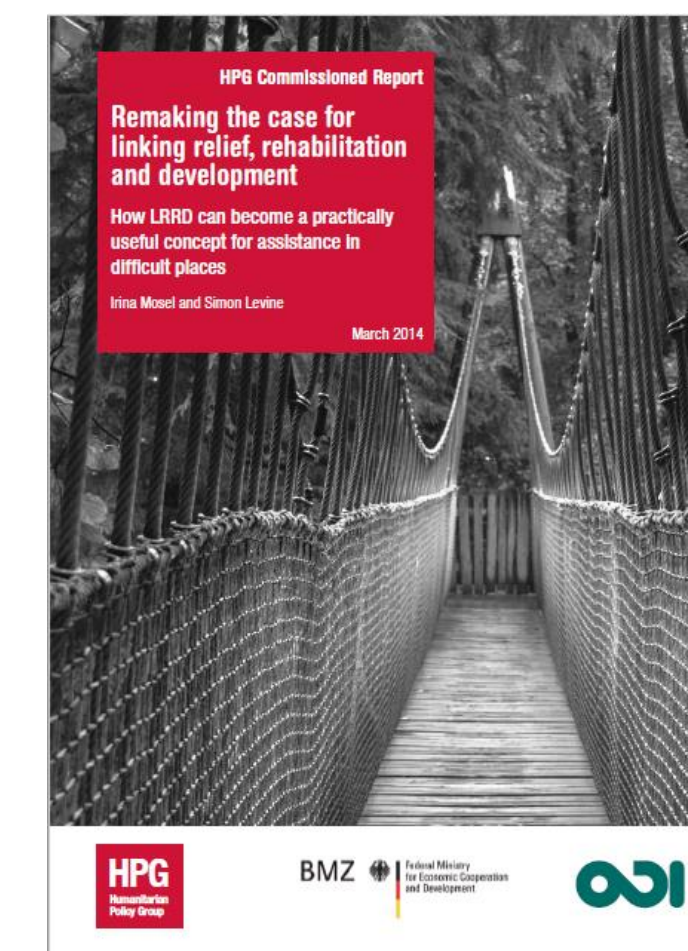
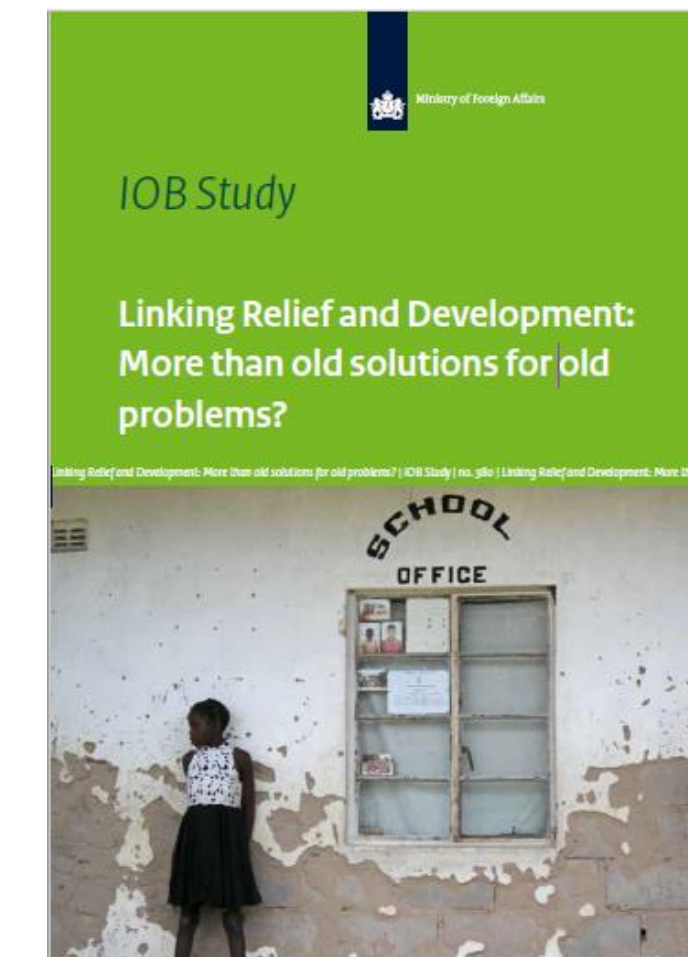
3 aspects:

1. the early application of development principles in emergency settings
2. the integration of prevention and preparedness elements in development cooperation
3. a 'smooth transition' from emergency aid and sustainable interventions on the ground



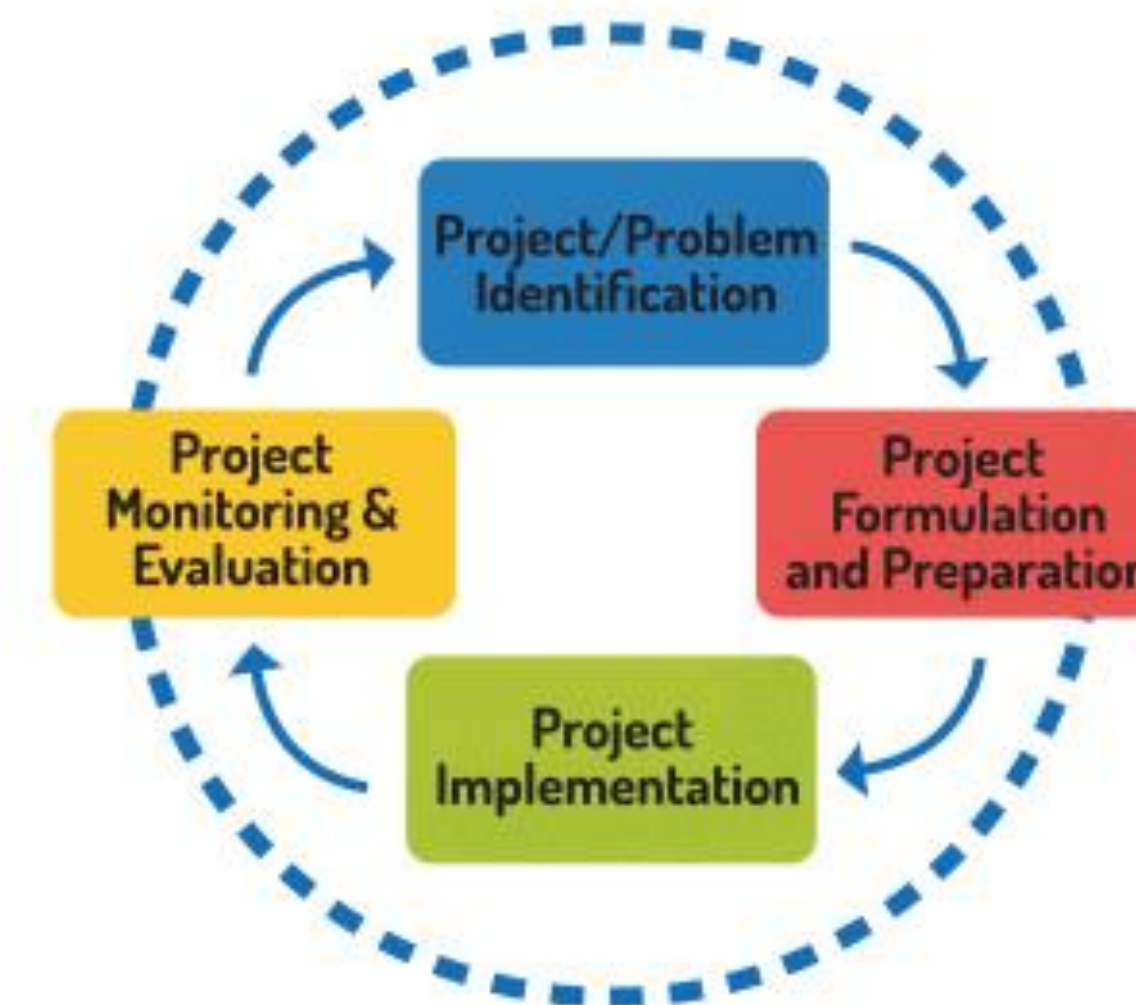
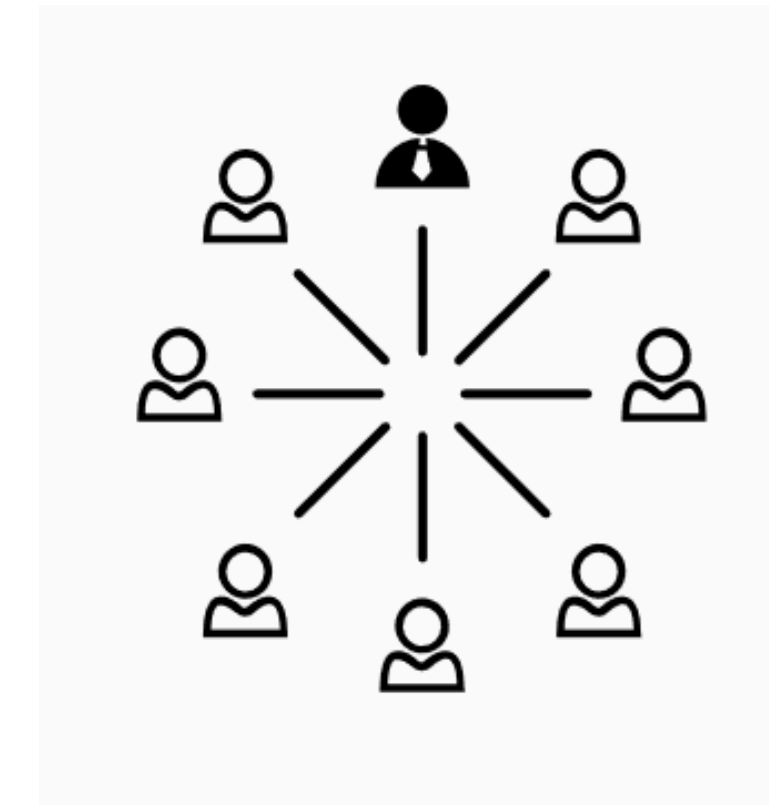
2. What? Evolution of approaches

- **1980s: relief-development-continuum**
Linking Relief, Rehabilitation and Development (LRRD) approach emerges, in the sense of a linear one-way transition
- **1990s and 2000s: from continuum to contiguum**
Shift to simultaneous application / working in different ways in different areas at the same time
- **2010s: from LRRD to Nexus, and a focus on resilience**
SDGs, Agenda 2030, WHS 2016: integrated cooperation approach, LRRD as groundwork for sustainable development during humanitarian interventions
- **However**, little substantial change in organisational structures, funding, and programming



4. How? Operationalising the Nexus

- **Institutional structure**
 - Institutional setup: breaking down silos
 - Permeable structures, staff flexibility, staff learning
- **Programme / project**
 - Joint analysis and planning
 - Shared resources
 - Basically 3 forms of nexus projects:
 - a) sustainability in humanitarian aid projects,
 - b) preparedness in development projects,
 - c) integrated programmes



4. Challenges

- **Institutional gap:** fundamental differences in priorities, cultures and mandates, all of them to cause challenges for operationalising LRRD/Nexus
 - *decentralising, joint analysis and planning, joint operational frameworks, joint offices*
- **Partnerships and coordination:** lack of expertise, specialisation either in humanitarian aid or development cooperation
 - *strong local engagement and local partnerships on the ground*
- **Funding gap:** fragmented and compartmentalised financing, lack of flexibility in funding arrangements, gaps particularly for recovery activities
 - *multi-year funding options, strategic partnerships instead of project grants, pooling resources*





Thank you for your attention

Case Studies

Mali

Syria Crisis





Nexus: Integrating Humanitarian Aid into Development Interventions

The Nexus Approach within Caritas Switzerland's strategy in Mali

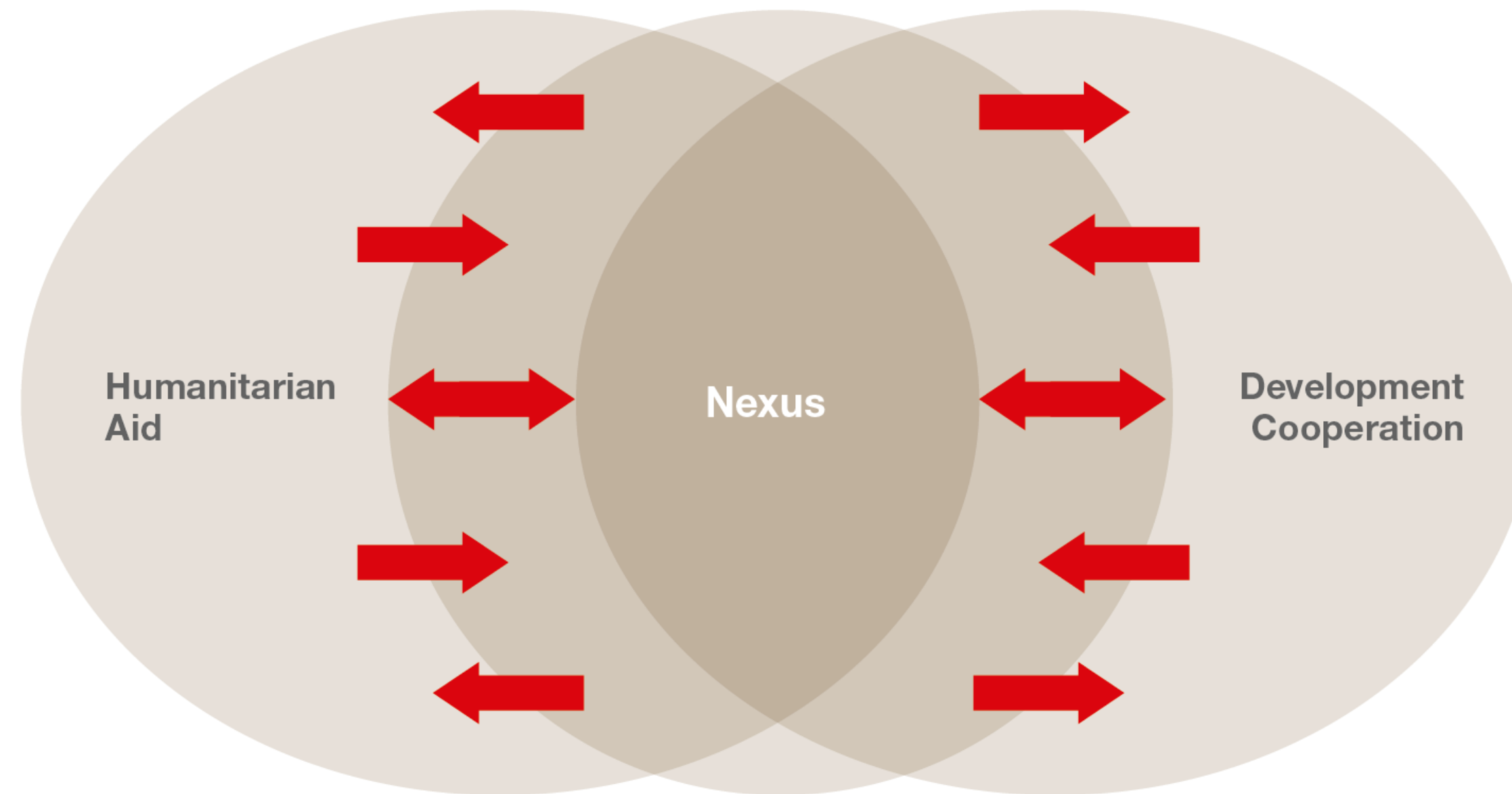
Nexus Context in Mali

Drivers for Nexus Approach:

- Climatic conditions (low rainfall, droughts, CC)
+
- Economic context (68% agriculture, landlocked)
+
- Political context (2012 coup, instability, vacuum, radicalism, armed conflict/insecurity)

= *CRISIS (protracted)*
(climatological + eco-political)

Nexus Chart



Instruments of Nexus Approach:

Cyclical food insecurity

→ **Development interventions (food security, value chain development, market access, CC adaptation)**

→ **Humanitarian aid**

Integrating the Nexus within CACH's strategy in Mali



- **Intervention areas (mainly outside of the red zone)**
- **Development focus for sustainably combating poverty**
- **Flexible and versatile implementation set-up (staff, partners, donors)**

Practical example of Nexus integration in Mali (I)



- **Lac Wégnia: Project aiming at sustainably managing natural (water) resources while improving food security and income**
→ development activities

Practical example of Nexus integration in Mali (II)



- **Disaster arises (disaster/drought): additional component**
→ short-term humanitarian aid (cash or food distribution) on a participatory-process basis

Lessons from the Nexus Integration in Mali

- **Goal:** crisis/disaster does not undermine the undertaken development activities. The development progress is contained and the effort in combating poverty can keep going.
- **Funding:** first condition for the nexus integration (additional component).
- **Capacities:** versatility at all levels (implementation, technical support to implementation, management, ...)
- **Reactivity** (donor, management, implementation)



Let's think Nexus for the next generations!

Das Richtige tun
Agir, tout simplement
Fare la cosa giusta

Margaux Tharin, Country Director Mali

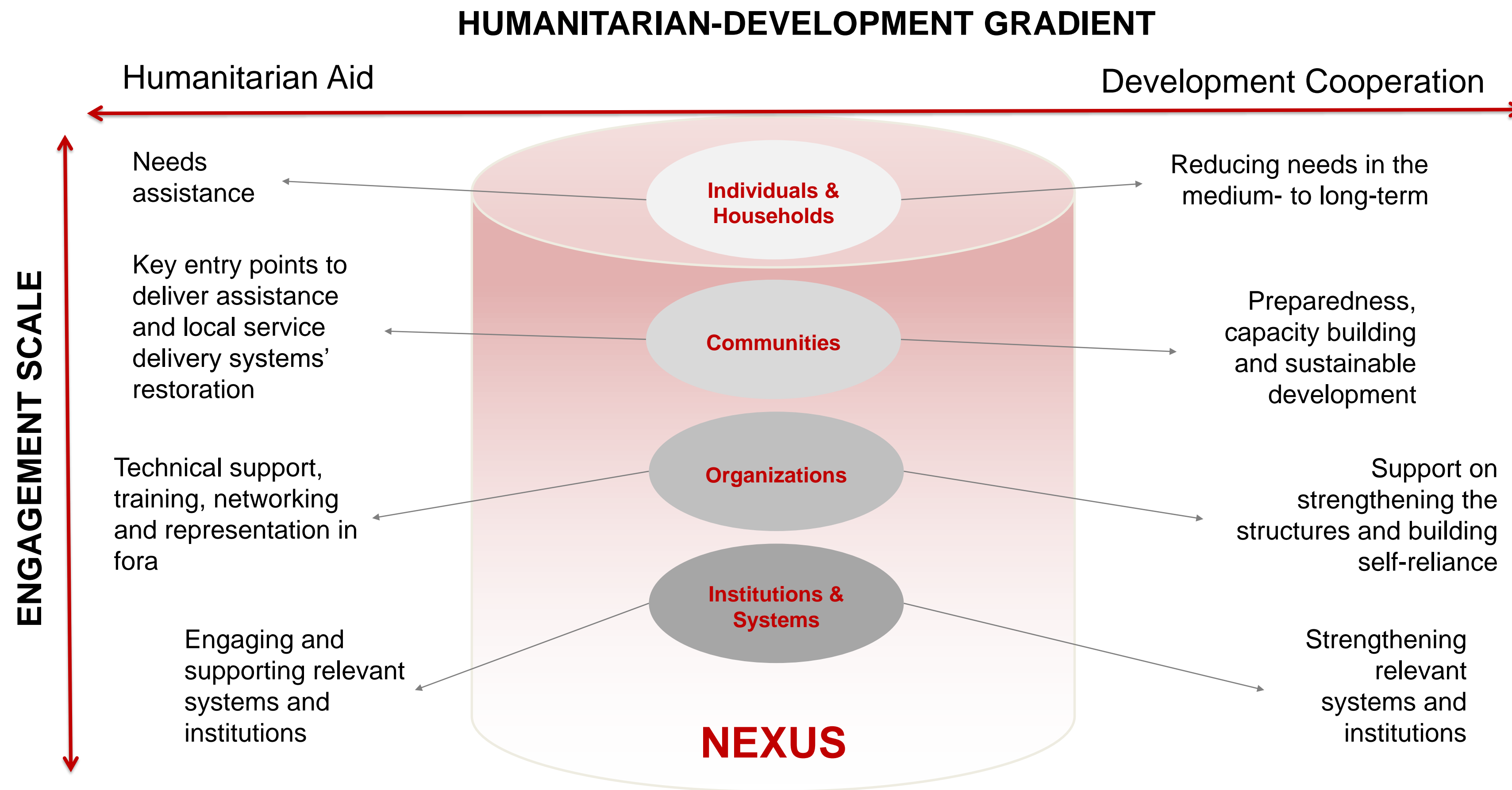
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How do we apply Nexus thinking in Syria Crisis Response?

Practical Nexus Matrix

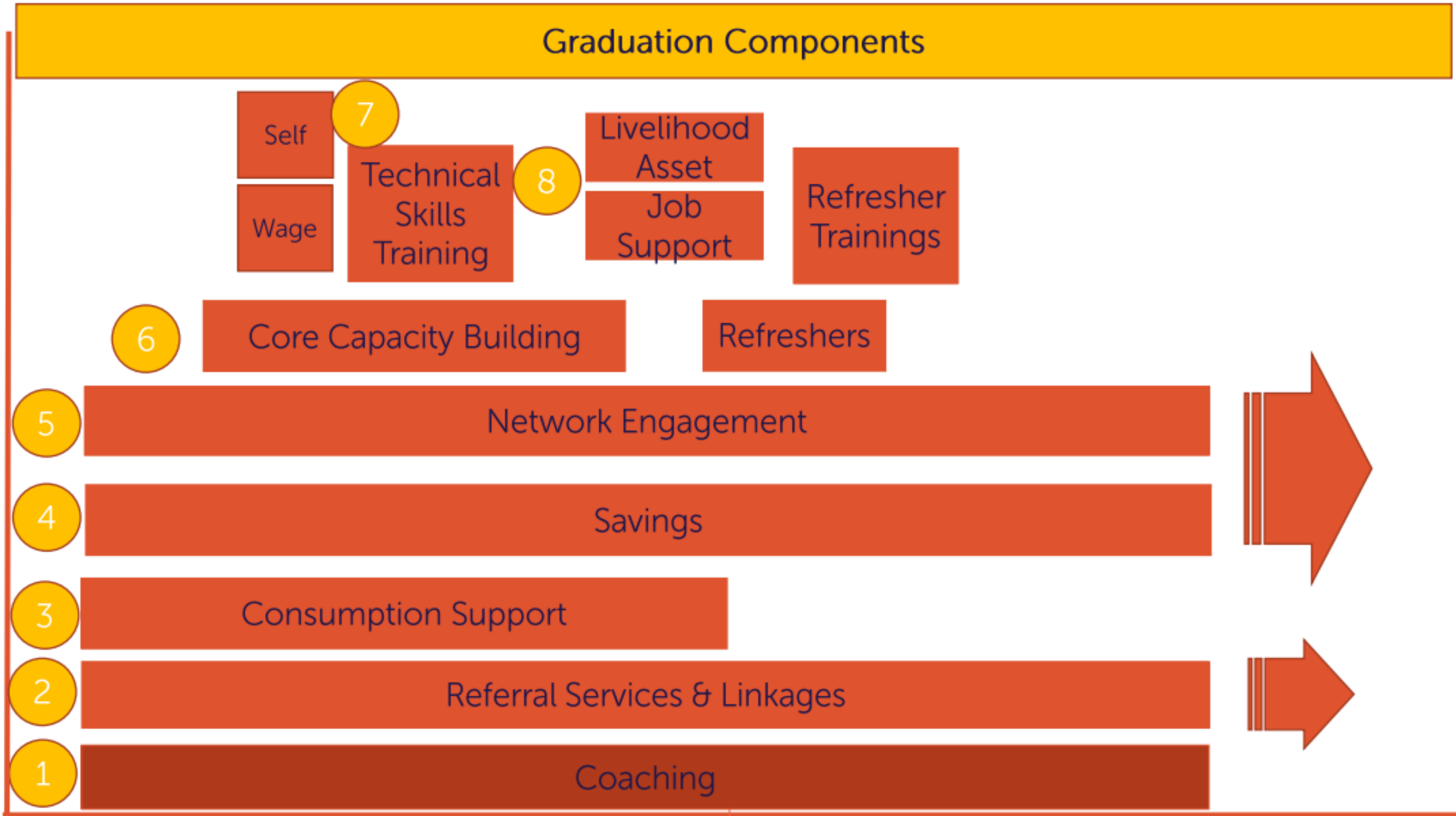


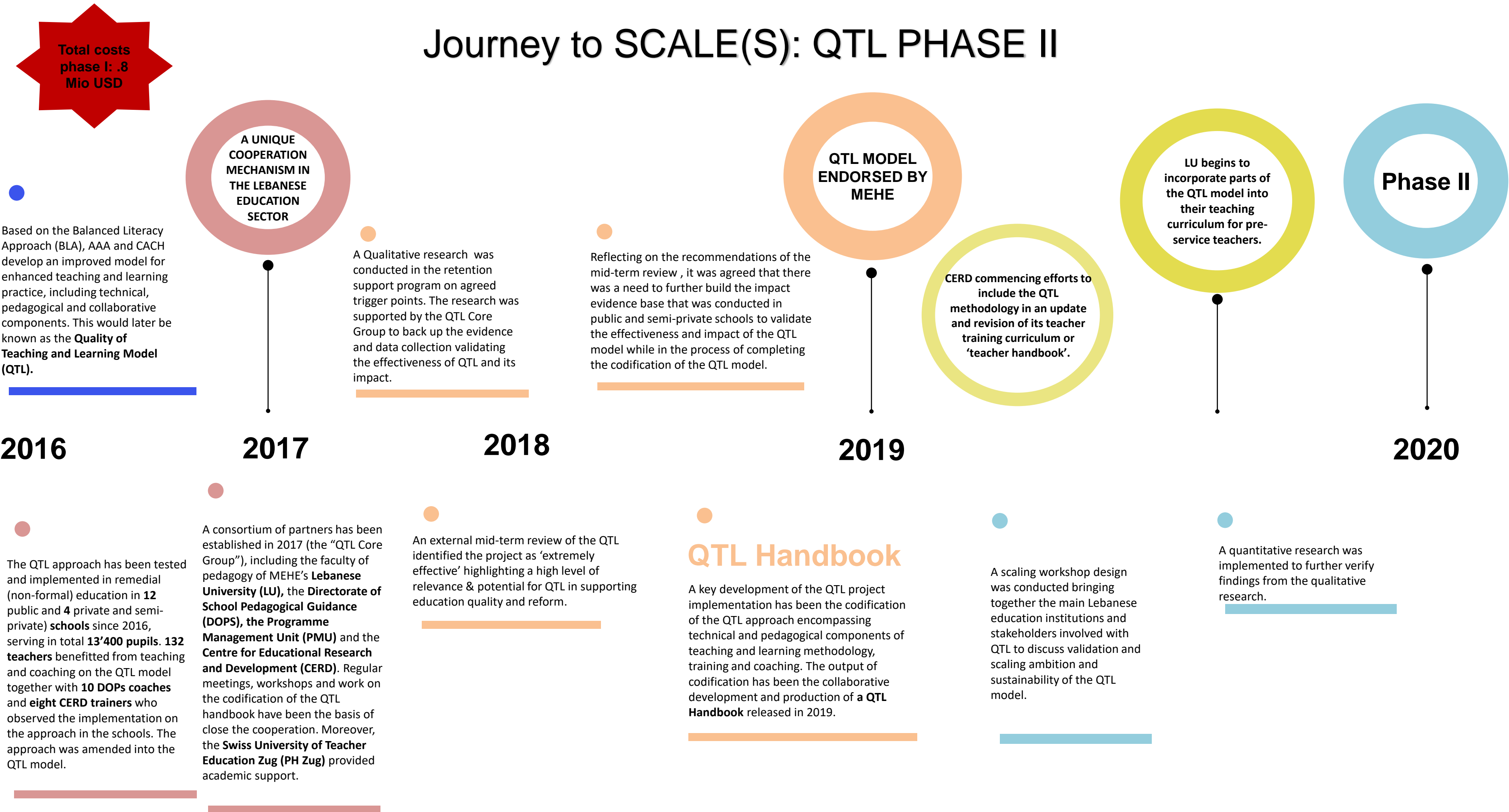
Responding within Nexus: How Do We Do it?

- **Within the Syria Crisis Response, Caritas Switzerland introduced several key approaches that are carefully positioned within the practical nexus matrix:**
 - Graduation Approach
 - Social Entrepreneurship in Protracted Displacement
 - Education System Strengthening in Protracted Displacement

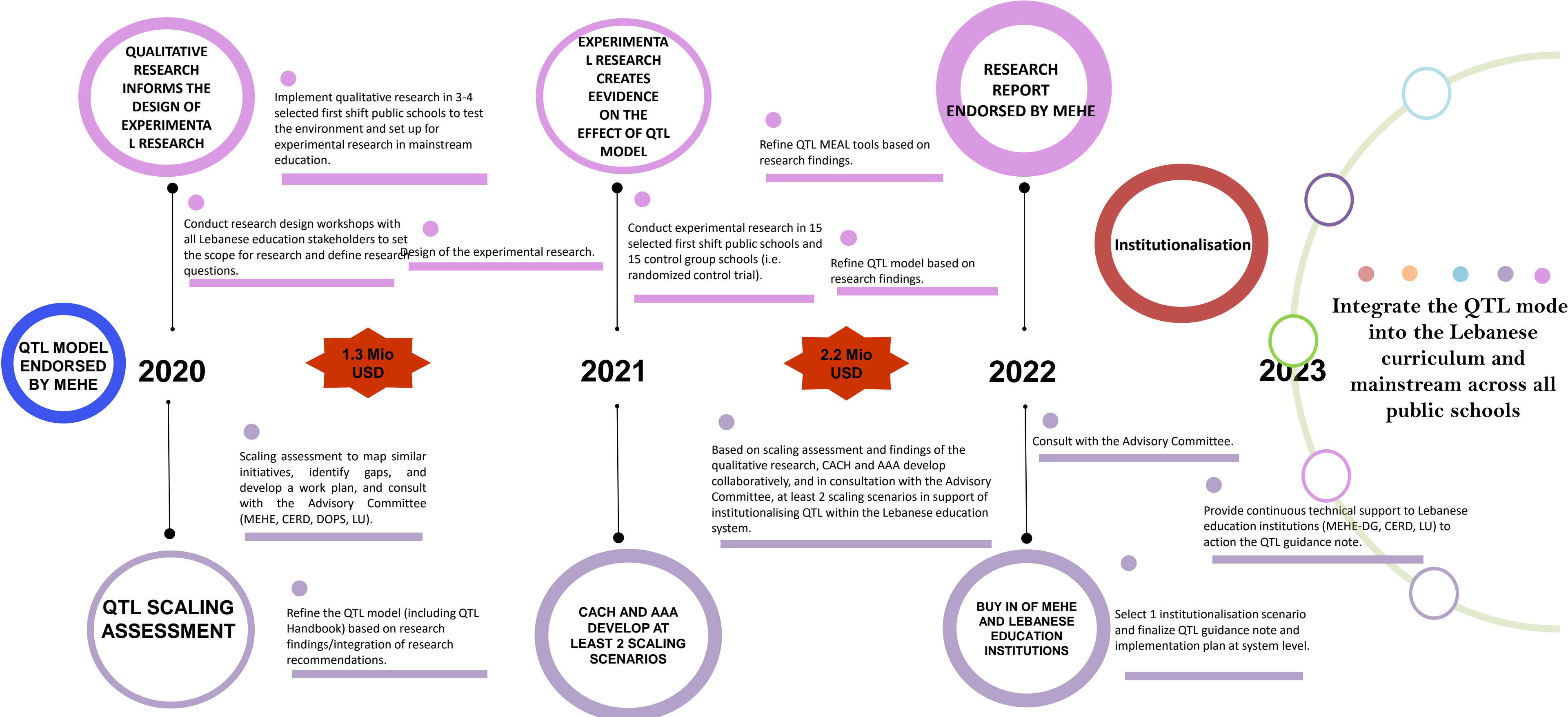


What Is Graduation?





Journey to SCALE(S): QTL Phase II



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Outlook Platform Events





Upcoming events

Nexus webinar 3: Focus on Latin America

Two case studies from SRC, Helvetas, May, Spanish

Nexus F2F humanitarian Aid – Development

Workshop, autumn 2020

Further events

- GMO in Agriculture – Risks and Risk Reduction measures [Learning event, autumn 2020]
- DRR and CCA Basics [webinar, tbd]
- Working at scale through alliances [learning event, tbd]

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