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# RETHINK RELIEF

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*Rethink Relief* is an exceptional design workshop dedicated to creating technologies for humanitarian relief that specifically address the gap between short-term relief and long-term sustainable development. This hands-on event is a unique opportunity for practitioners and designers to engage and develop a holistic approach to relief that considers the transition from emergency response to post-disaster self-sufficiency as an integral part of the planning and implementation process.

This exciting 6-day event will bring together field experts, product designers, students and professors to form multi-disciplinary teams to explore unmet opportunities in the humanitarian space, and discuss, create, invent and develop innovative new technologies and approaches. Teams will be guided through the design process, from the initial problem framing through idea generation, sketch modelling, experimentation, concept selection and prototype fabrication. As we work to develop these solutions, we seek to form a community that will continue the work beyond the conference.

*Rethink Relief* will be held at the MIT Campus in Boston and will be conducted in English. We are now accepting applications and encourage people with a variety of backgrounds to apply. Please visit our website and complete your application before January 25, 2013.

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