

Storyline VR-Hack Migration

We visualize the facts behind a news story f.e. about a center for asylum seeker in Zürich.

What does it mean to live as an asylum seeker in a center in Zürich. As an example we focus on a project for a new federal center in Zürich Nord.

There 500 asylum seeker are to live on 10'300 m². That means that each person roughly dispose on 20 m².

What does it mean to live on such limited space? How does it feel like?



The center Zürich Nord is a new building and exceeds average standards. For example the Ikea-Project - houses for asylum seeker - will only provide 17,5 m² living space for five persons. That means 3,5 m² per Person.

Der Kanton Aargau möchte 200 solcher Häuser kaufen.

In Zurich on average a person has 41 m² (https://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/content/prd/de/index/statistik/publikationen-angebote/publikationen/webartikel/2013-03-28_Wie-viel-Wohnraum-braucht-der-Mensch.html)

Compared with the space of Prime Tower

Prime Tower is one of the most prestigious buildings in Zürich and also one of the biggest sky scrapers in Switzerland. It offers 40'000 m² of living space.

If all 47'000 asylum seekers Switzerland is to expect 2015 would live on an average space of 3,5 m², we would need 4,1 Prime Towers. The area would cover 164'500 m² or roughly 10 times the Zürcher Sechseläutenplatz (16'000m²)

But the City of Zürich has to receive only 1894 asylum seekers 2015. That means we need 0,16 Prime Towers or five floors.

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If all 47'000 asylum seekers Switzerland is to expect 2015 would live on an average space of 20 m², we would need 23,3 Prime Towers. The area would cover 940'000 m² or roughly 58 times the Zürcher Sechseläutenplatz.

If all 47'000 asylum seekers Switzerland is to expect 2015 would live on an average space of 4,1 m² - the average in Zürich - we would need 48,1 Prime Towers. The area would be 1'927'000 m², almost 2 km². This is less than Enge district in Zürich (2,4 km²) or roughly 150 times the Zürcher Sechseläutenplatz.)