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# System Design Perspective of Healthcare Provision in Humanitarian Aid

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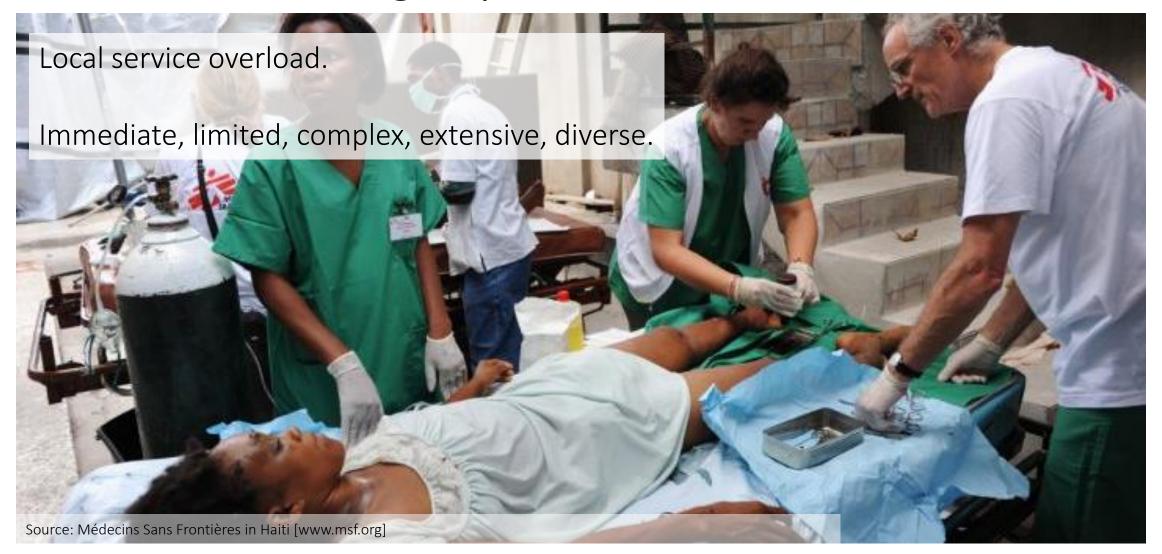




## Humanitarian crises

Developing countries most vulnerable. Emergency relief temporarily reinforces ongoing basic services. Source: World Risk Index from World Risk Report 2011 [www.weltrisikobericht.de]

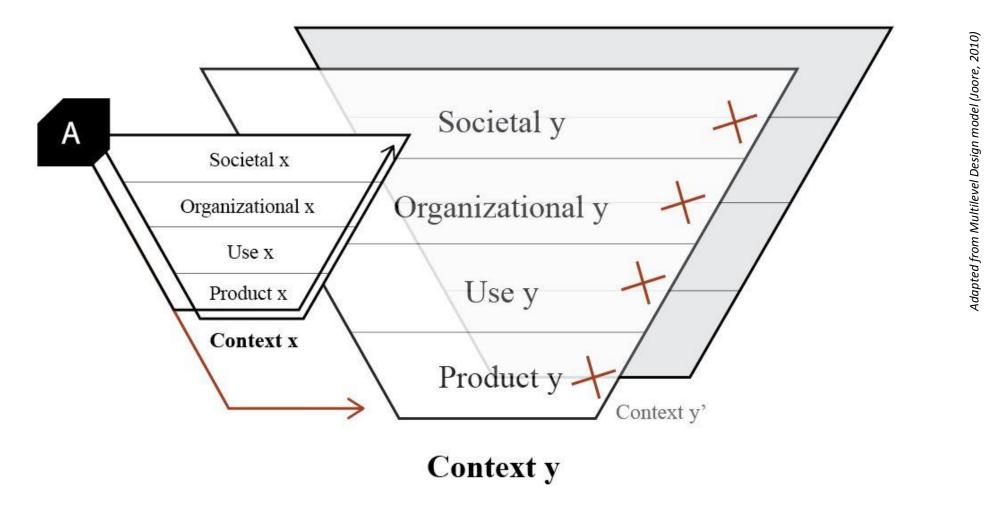
## Healthcare in emergency relief



## One-side transfer of medical devices

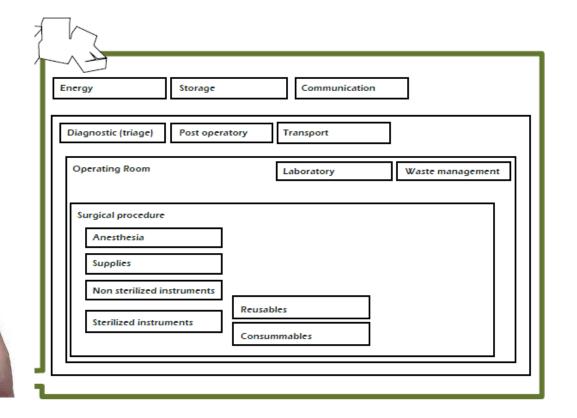


## STS approach – theoretical background



Source: Joore, P. (2012); Geels, F. W. (2004); Gaziulusoy, I., (2011)

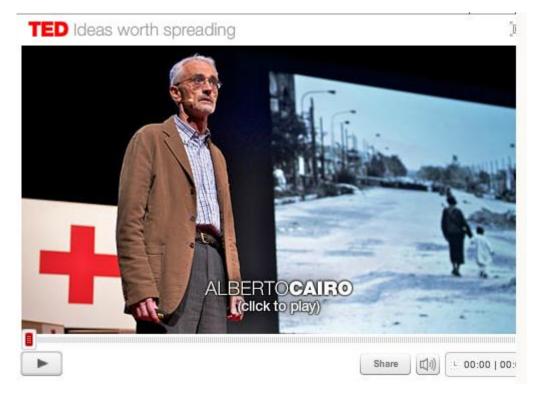
## The systemic mismatch





Source: Santos, A.L.R. et al., In Press 'Medical emergency dynamics in disaster-prone countries – implications for medical device design. Int. J. Human Factors and Ergonomics

## The systemic mismatch







Source: Ted Talk "Scraps of men do not exist"; HFE issues captured in Haiti (2012) and Indonesia (2012)

## The systemic medical device

### User-centred (Re)design

Product focus
Materials
Reduced complexity
Reduced functions
Reduced components
Reduced price



### Systems design

- + Product-Service-Management focus
- + Facilities
- + Complementary and supportive services
- + Decentralize purchasing
- + Feedback from consumer
- + Integrated/iterative re- and co-design

## Humanitarian Organizations as change actors



"Good afternoon..

May I offer you a case full of money?"

"I miss the magic word"

"May I please offer you a case full of money?"

Source: Detox Plan for the Aid Industry by Thierry Sanders and Henk van Stokkom (Financieel Dagblad 2009)



## Summarizing thoughts

#### Role of international organizations

Complex coordination and definition of work boundaries
Carry out additional tasks/services
Use medical devices, inadequately sold, donated and/or serviced
Relevant coping mechanisms

#### Medical devices

Play a relevant role but depend on numerous factors for proper functioning Throughout lifecycle: from purchase to disposal Conservative and expertize based industry

## Design as part of STS analysis and opportunities for humanitarian innovation Implications for design at product and process level The required indepth knowledge lies with users and stakeholder network

## Shaping humanitarian innovation

#### How HFE knowledge should be used to support systems design?

- Should innovation role be given to organizations?
- What conditions can organizations offer to designers?
- What practicalities does this imply for design practice?

#### How can systemic design make a difference over past experiences in developing countries?

- How can local benefitiaries most effectively be involved?
- Can this transfer be designed to influence the recipient context by offering opportunities for innovation and healthcare improvement?

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Thank you.

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## **Extras**

## One-side transfer of medical devices

#### **Procurement**

Selection criteria Purchase Kits



#### **Transport**

Logistics Packaging Set up locally



#### Use and servicing

Maintenance Training Supply Disposal



#### **Donation**

Lotery Hand-over

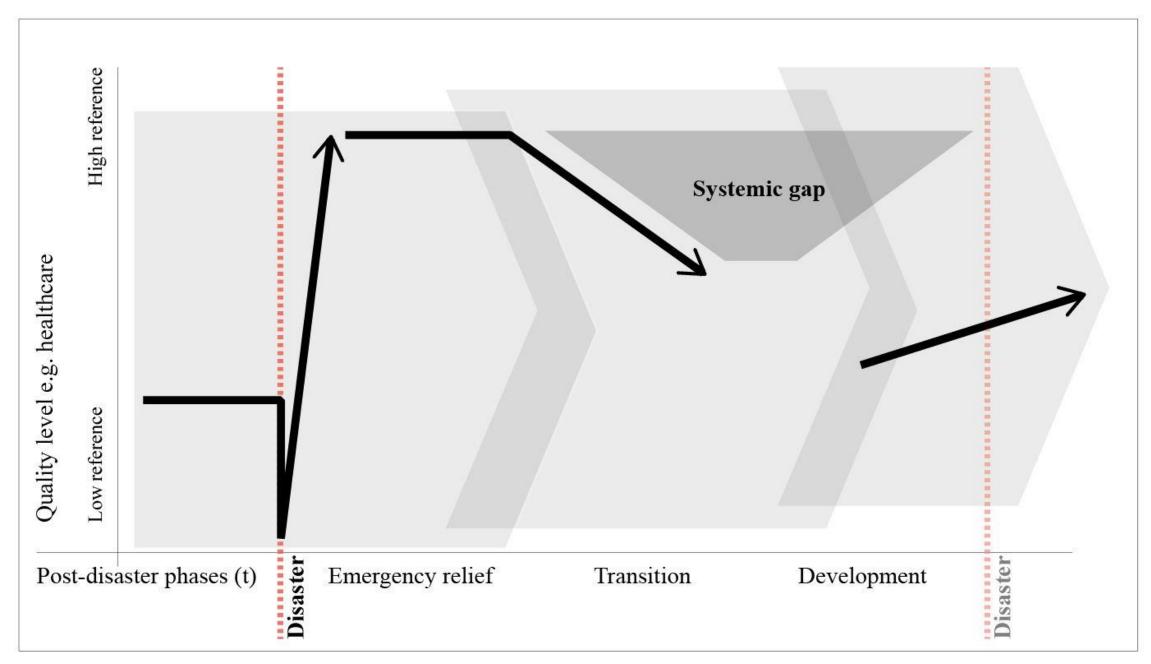






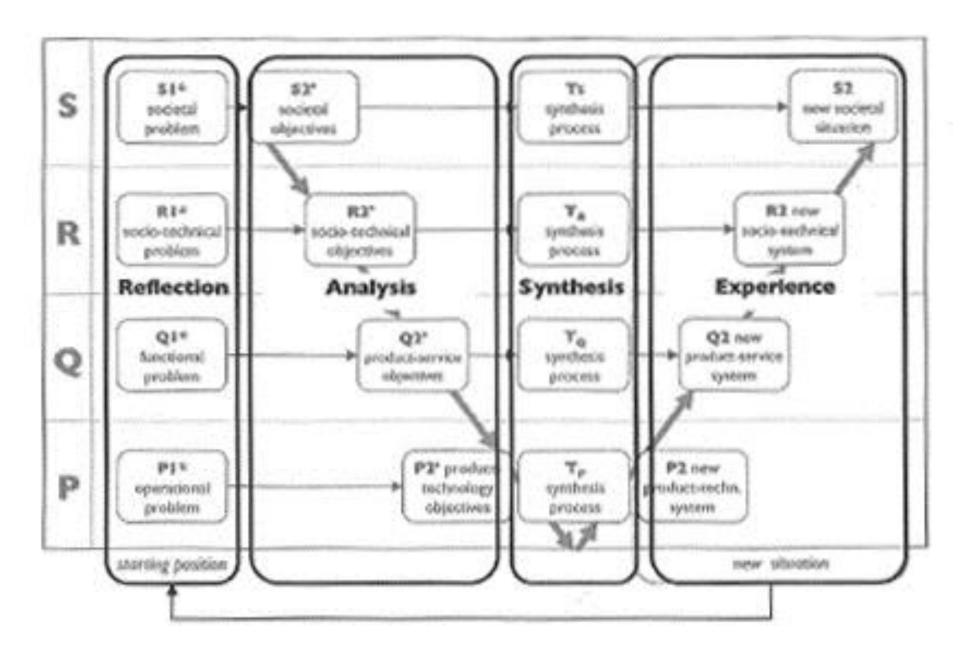




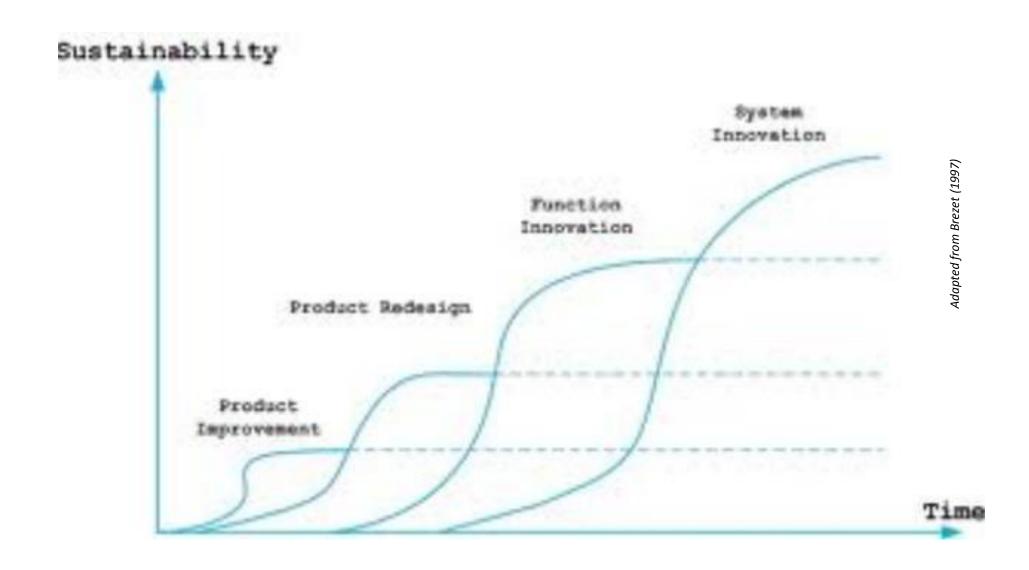


Technology perspective of medical device transfer in humanitarian aid.

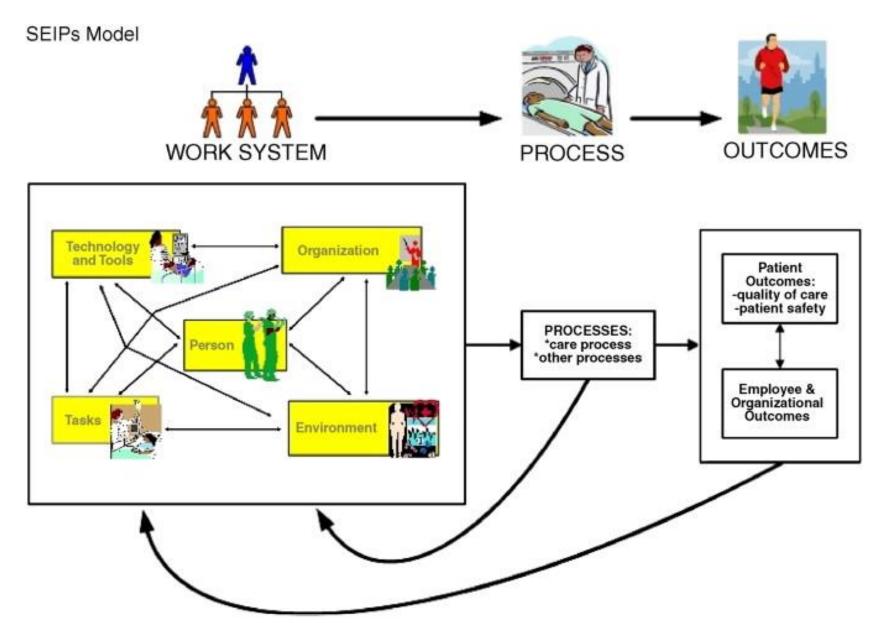
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