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Refugee Participant in Italy's University Corridor Sponsorship Programme



My name is Mohtas A. Modier, born in a small town in the Nuba Mountain State.

I grew up in a war-torn country, Sudan, so I have always been motivated to use education as a tool to overcome obstacles.

Permit me to express my gratitude on behalf of all refugees to the nations and hosting communities for accepting to house us, followed by UNHCR, donors, and sponsors.

I personally want to express my gratitude as well to the Canadian Embassy to Italy for having faith in refugees like me.

I am one among few who changes every challenge into opportunity.

I won a number of scholarships, that's DAFI & UNICORE 2.0 scholarship, and graduated with a Master's degree in Law, Digital Innovation & Sustainability at LUISS University in Rome, and a Bachelor's degree in Rural Development and Agricultural Extension in Ethiopia respectively.

I now have the opportunity to look forward to a fresh, promising, and untried chapter in my life thanks to this scholarship.

As a child, growing up in a poor family, one learns how to appreciate the little they have now and live a marvelous life to meet now and the future.

General advice to donors

- Refugees have skills, morals, and strengths that can be developed for their own benefit and the benefit of the host communities.
- Invest in refugees by providing them with access to education, health care, and other necessities in doing so you're healing them emotionally, psychologically, economically as well physically.

Challenges of refugees

- Due to threats of execution and discrimination based on tribe, sex and religion, many had to leave their countries.
- All of this did not stop refugee's desire for education or their father's encouragement of it.
- This demonstrates to everyone that refugees are not weak but tough, able to turn the most difficult times in their lives into opportunities.
- Refugees are the most vulnerable people but also the strongest people on the planet.

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