Being through doing:
Increasing Occupational Performance of children in a refugee hostel

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Increase of asylum requests in Germany

- 2014: 173,072
- 2015: 441,899
- 2016: 722,370
Life in a refugee hostel

• **Loss** of occupational routines

• need “to re-engage in meaningful occupations [...] and to connect with others”


http://media.worldbulletin.net/news/2015/09/06/2015-09-06t110354z-1910273600-ir2eb960uq7ja-rtrmadp-3-europe-migrants.JPG
WELCOME culture
Method

From September to December 2016:

• ethnological field observations during an arts and crafts project

• content analysis

• inductive and deductive coding, using the AMPS criteria

• member check with two OTs who work within this project
Mina, 5 years old

https://img.zeit.de/politik/deutschland/2016-09/minderjaehrig-fluechtlinge-wide__820x461__desktop
Conclusion

Projects by OTs providing leisure time activities

+ occupational opportunities
+ chances of a healthy development