Youth employment, entrepreneurship and peacebuilding – transferring lessons from Hiroshima to Contemporary Iraq

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**BACKGROUND**

Since 2016, UNITAR Hiroshima has been implementing a capacity-building project, “Entrepreneurship and Leadership Youth Training Programme for Iraq.” The objective of the project is to equip future Iraqi youth with technical skills and expertise that are necessary to run a business. Furthermore, given that the training takes place in Hiroshima, the trainees also learn about the post-war reconstruction and peacebuilding process. This year, UNITAR Hiroshima will conduct its fourth cycle, and is planning to host 17 Iraqi youths. During their stay in Hiroshima, the Secretariat of International Peace Cooperation Headquarters, UNITAR Hiroshima, and The Centre for Peace and Graduate School for International Development and Cooperation Hiroshima University will conduct a two-hour public session.

**EVENT OBJECTIVES**

A growing number of Iraqi youth are finding their own creative ways to make a better future through entrepreneurship. The objective of the event is to exchange ideas on how to create a conducive environment to enhance youth engagement in entrepreneurship and peacebuilding in Iraq. The seminar will also draw on the lessons learned from Hiroshima’s history and processes of post-war reconstruction.

**TARGETED AUDIENCE**

Hiroshima local residents