

"TOWARDS LOCALLY LED STABILIZATION AND RECONCILIATION IN LIBYA"

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Introduction



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Since 2020, UNITAR has put at the service of Libyan CSOs its extensive expertise in strengthening the capacities of CSOs in different conflict-affected contexts through UNITAR's support to UNDP Libya in different initiatives [1].

“Towards locally led stabilization and reconciliation in Libya” is a project in collaboration with the Government of Japan designed to support international and national efforts of stabilization and reconciliation in Libya in the current transitional period through empowering Libyan CSOs to translate and concretize at community level the national efforts towards sustainable peace and reconciliation.

It does so by strengthening the capacities of local CSOs and local communities to take ownership of their leading role in the enhancement conflict resolution , resilience, and reconciliation – with a specific focus on youth - so that they can positively impact the Libyan social fabric and the sense of belonging of communities within their territory.

This Edition is the first of a series of periodic newsletters aimed to share with our partners the project's evolution and achievements.

Enjoy the reading!

[1] To know more about one of these initiatives, give a look at the webpage on UNITAR support to the Stabilization Facility for Libya project: <https://unitar.org/sustainable-development-goals/peace/our-portfolio/reconciliation-and-stabilization/stabilization-facility-libya>.

Presentation of the local CSO Partners

Tanmia 360

Tanmia 360 is a Libyan NGO, based in Benghazi, Libya, founded and led in 2018 by a group of young professionals under the oversight of a Board of Trustees from all walks of life. Tanmia 360 aims to support comprehensive development by providing youth-led sustainable programs designed to pragmatically address the community's needs to enhance the services provided and reinforce the role of active community partnerships.



Moomken Organization

Moomken organization is a CSO that seeks to become a platform for creative and active youth in Libya to innovate in the field of media awareness on a civil society level and bring forward creative and inspiring ideas that would add value to the community through providing an environment that thrives for excellence and distinction.

National Caucus of Fazzan

National Caucus of Fazzan was founded in 2012 is a Sebha based NGO that focuses on peace building and reconciliation activities particularly on capacity-building and integration of young people and women into the social, economic and democratic sectors of society in remote municipalities in southern Libya.



Perpetual Peace Organization

Perpetual peace foundation for development is a Libyan NGO established in January 2020. The Foundation seeks to shape a new generation of CSOs in Libya and it works to encourage and support development ideas in various fields to achieve prosperity and progress and build a strong civil society through the implementation of development projects



Tadamon Solidarity for Women



Tadamon Solidarity for Women focuses on women's empowerment, conflict resolution, mediation and peacebuilding. This includes the rehabilitation of women inmates through training programmes. The organization also focuses on women's health care and health services through awareness-raising, health education and the advancement of women to follow up on their health concerns.



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The Kick-Off Event

The Kick-off event organised from 21-22 July 2022 brought together UNITAR team, representatives from the Government of Japan and the selected CSOs with the aim to start developing local ownership of the initiative. During the two days of the event, the full initiative was presented and it was followed by a discussion of the challenges, best practices, and needs of the local CSOs partners for the multiplication phase.

On the first day, the Chargé d'Affaires of the Embassy of Japan in Libya, H.E. Masaaki Amadera, was hosted as an honorary guest to give the keynote address and expressed his full solidarity with the Libyan people, while on the second day, the Deputy Head of Mission of the Embassy, Dr. Amane Kobayashi, delivered the closing remarks and expressed his admiration for the cooperation between the selected CSOs.

The outcome of the two days' discussions was to inform the development of the tailored training curriculum being developed.



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***"This event
allowed for CSOs
to come together"***

***Mohamed Alkabeer, Moomken
Organization***

Upcoming Events

UNITAR will be holding a ToT workshop between September and October 2022 for two representatives from each of the five selected CSOs. A total of 10 professionals will be trained.

The Training of Trainers is essential part of UNITAR's approach to ensure the long-term sustainability of its projects.



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The ToT will be followed by multiplication trainings, where each CSO will train 20 young men and women from their local communities - reaching a total of 100 youth across Libya.

These trainings will be delivered by the CSOs previously trained trainers.

UNITAR will support the multiplication trainings through a dedicated coaching programmes and it will keep track of their impact through specific monitoring activities and tools.

March 2022

Selection of 5
local CSOs

Project Timeline

April 2022

1st online
meeting with
the CSOs

July 2022

Project Kick-
Off event

August-September 2022

Training
Design

**September-October
2022**

- Training of
Trainers
- Official Creation
of the network
of CSOs

**October 2022-January
2023**

- Multiplication
trainings by
CSOs
- Broader
sensitization
activities

February 2023

Project Closure
and Evaluation activities

A word from our partner

*"We hope for a
local and
bottom-up
approach for the
peace-building
and
reconciliation
process in
Libya"*

*Masaki Amadera, Charge
d'affaires, Special
Coordinator for Libya*



"We want participants to first and foremost enjoy this experience while actively taking part in the activities. We hope this project will bring together participants and reinforce the cooperation between them in order to reach the goal of sustainable peace."

For more information on the project, please visit our [website](#).