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“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful,
committed people can change the world. Indeed, it
is the only thing that ever has.”

- Margaret Mead

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Hirak

Promoting Change and Youth
Leadership in East Jerusalem



3 Years



20 CBOs



240 EJ youth



2 advocacy
campaigns



20 audio visual
materials



HIRAK

An intensive three (3) years relationship between DanChurchAid (DCA), PalVision, 20 CBOs and 240 EJ youth facilitated by funds from EU in the action “Promoting Change and Youth Leadership in East Jerusalem” has resulted in significant development in the young leaders in EJ who utilized their new skills in documenting IHL and IHRL violations to convincingly advocate with PDB for greener public spaces, socio economic opportunities and better education. Close engagement with the CBOs resulted in implementing innovative actions that increased the connectedness of EJ people with the CBOs, increased the capacity of CBOs to respond to the needs of their communities, engage inactive and isolated youth in serving their communities and reinforce the Palestinian culture of the city.

During the project period, more than 240 young men and women were empowered to address their community needs through enhanced skills to lead community-based initiatives (CBIs) using the human rights based approach, six research tools were developed, and ten CBIs were implemented by targeted youth. In addition, two policy and position papers about EJ were, the papers were presented by the think tank members during the two study tours to the EU Parliament & Human Rights Council (Brussels & Geneva), and shared with national and international stakeholders. Moreover, two (2) advocacy campaigns (on education and visual environment) were implemented by 20 CBOs and targeted youth. The visibility of CBOs was enhanced by the production of 20 audio visual materials including: brochure, website, and short-film for each CBO.

Increasing the access/usage of land
and enhance communities' resilience



13,463
beneficiaries



6 infrastructure
activities



1 advocacy
campaign



3 factsheets



1 infographic

TAMKEEN

Tamkeen project aims to increase the access/usage of land and enhance communities' resilience in Beit Safafa, Shufat Refugee Camp, Silwan, Al-Khalayleh Neighbourhood, Nabi Samuel. The project acted upon the essential and foundational areas that marginalized and isolated Palestinian communities need for a real empowerment. With an increasing degradation of civic and economic opportunities for marginalized communities, this project contributed towards filling this void by empowering these communities through three dimensions:

1. Empowerment of communities

- Women empowerment in Al-Khalayleh Neighbourhood
- Zorouna Festival for 3 consecutive years

2. Infrastructure

- Football field and small park in Nabi Samuel
- Rooftop garden and kindergarden in Shufat Refugee Camp
- Village council in Al-Khalayleh Neighbourhood
- Small park in Silwan

3. Advocacy:

- Jerusalem Bikes initiative
- Factsheets, infographics and small research about Al-Khalayleh Neighbourhood, Silwan, and Shufat Refugee Camp
- Two short documentaries about Al-Khalayleh Neighbourhood, Silwan, and Shufat Refugee Camp
- Joint advocacy strategy



Promoting Palestinian
culture and heritage



3500
students



17 exchange trips in
cities & villages



4 street
museums



4 street
parades



2 rooftop
festivals

HABKEH

Habkeh project sought to contribute to promoting Palestinian culture and heritage that inspire a unified and positive Palestinian identity and strengthen social cohesion within the Palestinian communities by providing opportunities for participation in social and cultural events/ activities within targeted Palestinian communities. The project encouraged marginalized Palestinian communities cultural appetite and awareness of EU contribution to the Palestinian cultural sector by implementing a range of street events and activities including 4 street museums, 4 street parades and 2 rooftop festivals in five main locations:

1. Tawaslo

The project came to challenge the Israeli policies, which aim to fragment and individualize the community. Tawasalo project attempt to provide space for youth to reach each other, to communicate, and revive the relations among the communities, and to reinforce the Palestinian collective identity. Throughout the project, about 3500 students aged between 14-20 years old were targeted by engaging in exchanges with other Palestinian youth living in other locations. Throughout 2018, the project organized 17 exchange trips in cities and villages across the the West Bank and Historical Palestine

2. Masarat

Masarat aimed to preserve the Palestinian and Arab identity of Jerusalem and revive the cultural scene by promoting and raining awareness of community members about Palestinian cultural heritage through the production and wide dissemination of an animation video exploring the history of Jerusalem, 6 cultural evenings attended by 700 community members.



Expressing Palestinians youth opinions
and demands



20 Palestinian
youth



300 Palestinian
community member



1 advocacy
campaign



3 position
papers

HIMAM

The project enabled 20 selected Palestinian youth to express their opinions and demands vis-à-vis politics publicly through providing Palestinian youth living in Jerusalem with knowledge, skills and enhanced capacity in critical and strategic thinking on the role of youth in Jerusalem as well as offering space for these youth to advocate for their rights and express their opinions and demands vis-à-vis politics publicly using advocacy as a tool. The advocacy campaign “Identity” targeted more than 300 Palestinian community members. The campaign aimed to enhance public awareness about the collective Palestinian identity targeting different age groups of Palestinians not only in Jerusalem but across Palestine thereby reinforcing the sense of belonging embodied in the traditional Palestinian custom, Palestinian food, and the Palestinian dialect.



Knowledge, tools, and platform for Youth
to express opinions and demands



300
participant



1 advocacy
campaign



3 position
papers



2 short videos

SIJAL

The project aimed to equip the youth with knowledge, tools, and a platform to use in expressing their opinions and demands. Using their newly acquired knowledge, the youth designed and planned one main up-scaled campaign "Jallad" aimed to enhance public awareness about Development in Jerusalem and the role of local and international organizations and donors in distributing the funding. One of the main activities of the campaign was the "Street Summit" organized in Al-Khan Al-Ahmar village with a vast youth participation included over 300 participant. Finally, 3 factsheets and two short videos were produced.



Combating and addressing violence against girls



2000 adolescents



19 open days



800 parents

SUMOW

Sumow contributes to combating and addressing violence against girls and bullying in its different forms, physical and psychological in Jerusalem and Hebron governorates. The project targeted 2,000 adolescents (15-17 years old boys and girls) and equipped them with the necessary knowledge, skills, and tools to raise awareness of their peers, parents, teachers, and community members on violence against girls and peer to peer based violence (bullying) by utilizing different forms of expression such as advocacy campaigns, debates and drama to convey their key messages.

In addition, 19 open days targeting 800 parents were organized to inform them on Early Child Development and applying positive discipline in child care through a variety of C4D activities. It also targeted children from 25 kindergartens who will be accompanied by their parents through different corners/activities in the open days to encourage children to use positive dialogue instead of violence enhancing a culture of non-violence.

A national multi-media campaign was launched in cooperation with all project partners, particularly the MoEHE, targeting CBOs and schools. The campaign aimed to raise public awareness on the issue of violence against children, and positive parenting. The multimedia campaign ran for one month, reached out thousands of parents and caregivers, through TV and Radio announcements, social media posts engaging some key stakeholders, Palestinian duty-bearers and Palestinian celebrities. The campaign included 12 street outreach activities by the targeted adolescents using C4D approach.



Improving educational learning
opportunities for outstanding students



280 students



First summer school
on identity



Think and Innovate
Winter Camp

BRIDGE

Bridge Palestine is a national initiative to improve educational learning opportunities for outstanding students in the Palestinian community to help them join international acclaimed and top local universities. Bridge Palestine offers a multi-level training environment to build participants personal, cognitive and emotional abilities over the program time frame, to compete at the regional and international level. In addition to training on critical and creative thinking, students engaged in activities to enhance their English language skills, scientific thinking, debates and unleash their artistic talents along with unlocking their potentials and interests in specific fields of specializations. In addition, the program creates a platform to support students at the individual level through a mentoring program that links students with outstanding Palestinian and/or international professionals that will support them until they receive college acceptance.

The second cohort of the program included a series of intensive training that prepared 280 students from the West Bank including Jerusalem to join renowned universities around the world.

- **First Summer School on identity “I’m not an ID card, I’m Palestinian”**

aimed to reinforce the students’ Palestinian identity by exploring the characteristics of the Palestinian identity, Palestinian cultural heritage, Palestinian history and the Palestinian Cause. Additionally, students acquired life skills including communication, time management skills, creative thinking, active citizenship, and gender.

- **Think and Innovate Winter Camp “Bridge Tech”**

aimed to introduce students to innovation through technology. The camp focused on enhancing the students’ knowledge and skills in science, technology, digital technology, critical thinking, computer language and programming.



Strengthen the resilience and coping mechanisms of vulnerable and at risk children



5 Palestinian child center



500 children



250 parents



36 workshop



10 initiatives

SHABABNA QADHA

The project aimed to strengthen the resilience and coping mechanisms of vulnerable and at risk children (13-17 years old) by engaging them in a series of interactive activities that provides them with life skills, career guidance, community-based initiatives, in addition to a series of awareness raising workshops along with parents on children rights and digital rights to understand their rights and protect themselves from Israeli authorities violations such as arrests and detention. In cooperation with the 5 Palestinian Child Center, Shabab Al-Balad Initiative, Spafford Children's Center, Jerusalemite Youth Cultural Forum, and Al-Isaawiya Club, the project targeted more than 500 children, and 250 parents through a series of trainings and workshops.

NARWI

aim of improving the sustainability and protection of protected areas and improving the livelihoods of the villages of Beitelu, Deir Ammar and Jamala, and activating local tourism in the Hashmi Reserve, which includes the valley of Zarqa and the surrounding villages of Beitello and Deir Ammar, and Jamala.

Improving the sustainability and protection
of protected areas and livelihoods



2,311
beneficiaries



2 films



8 tours in
Al-Hashmi



15 empowered
women



2-Day Cultural
Heritage Event



Promoting vocational education and
work-based learning



26 youth



7 days orientation
camp



14 visits to vocational
centers

TAHFEEZ

the project worked towards motivating 26 female and male youth (10 from North-Tulkarem and 16 from South-Hebron) aged (15-25), to facilitate their transition into vocational institutions and/or the labor market by promoting vocational education and work-based learning within 4 months. The project motivated participants and facilitated their transition to vocational education by equipping them with knowledge and skills through two informative and interactive 7-day orientation camps. Participants received knowledge about the importance of vocational and technical jobs, and labour market demands. They were also introduced to work ethics, occupational safety measure, requirements/qualifications in preparation to apply for TVET Centres.



جمعية بهتمكم
للشباب من ذوي الإعاقة

Empowering young People With
Disabilities



200 young PWD



8 governorates



3 accountability
sessions



1 campaign

BHIMITKOM

Bhimitkom aims to empower young People With Disabilities (PWDs) to bring about positive change through increased participation in decision-making processes that affect their lives. The project targeted 200 young PWDs aged 20-29 years from 8 West Bank governorates.

Despite the targeted youth efforts to advocate for their rights, public officials and duty bearers only perceive their efforts as a mere activism act towards claiming PWDs rights. As a result, the targeted youth formed the first youth-led and youth oriented PWDs non-governmental organization to represent young PWDs interests as a step towards claiming and exercising their rights.



Empowering citizens from Village Councils



70 Village Councils



1,830 direct
beneficiaries



3,000 indirect beneficiaries
through social media

MAJLESNA BEHAJETNA

The project had a central focus on empowering citizens from 70 Village Councils (VCs) across the West Bank, especially women and young people, to take greater ownership of the decisions that affect them, their families and communities. A citizen campaign in 70 Village Councils seeking to raise the capacity of citizens to engage in planning processes and dialogue mechanisms with their respective VCs was launched. An accompanying media campaign reinforced the results of the citizen campaign and encourage citizens to enter in dialogue with their VCs.



Empowering young People With Disabilities



203 direct
beneficiaries



10 youth-led
initiatives



7 areas



8 partnership with
CBOs



TAJAAWOB

The project was able to identify community actors and youth groups concerns and issues (government, community-based organizations (CBOs), youth groups and other organizations) and targeted 203 youth and activated their role in adopting and addressing community concerns as well as re-defining and strengthening the relationship between the youth and adults, particularly Palestinian Community Police in the community they live in and in maintaining civil peace through the implementation of 10 youth-led initiatives. Building on the outcomes of the initiatives, 4 youth-led initiatives were scaled up to community-based advocacy campaigns that addressed violence, drug abuse, cyber harassment, and traffic law violations in their targeted areas.



Knowledge, tools, and platform for Youth
to express opinions and demands



1,125 participants



75 tours

JERUSALEM BIKES

Jerusalem Bikes is a young initiative that aims to attract more tourists to East Jerusalem and to spread knowledge about the Palestinian people living there. It tells the Palestinian story about the city and it brings about appreciation for Palestinian culture.

The initiative is born out of Palestinian Vision Organization (PalVision), which is a non-profit organization that works to empower Palestinian youth, preserve collective Palestinian identity, and initiate youth-led sustainable development. Any profits from Jerusalem Bikes will go to support the youth projects of PalVision.

offers tours of East Jerusalem on electric bikes guided by young, local volunteers. It is a great opportunity for you to get a first-hand experience of East Jerusalem, a little biking exercise and some fresh air. Not only will you go and see different sites, you will also learn about them through personal stories and information about the general context. Jerusalem Bikes combines a beautiful ride with a unique look beneath the surface of one of the most politically complex and culturally rich cities in the world.

We offer two tours for internationals: The politically focused "Jerusalem 101" and "Cultural Heritage Tour to Nabi Samuel" as well as customized tours to AlWalajeh, Lifta, and Qualonia. The is for those who want to explore Palestinian culture from within and see how traditions are carried on despite hard conditions.

Youth-Led Initiatives Grant to empower young men and women create their own initiatives



2,184
beneficiaries



4 initiatives

NET MED YOUTH

UNESCO Ramallah Office with the framework of the EU-funded project NET_MED Youth has started the Youth-Led Initiatives Grant to empower young men and women create their own initiatives, implement them on the ground and build on them. Through this project Jerusalem youth were supported in order to strengthen the participation of young women and men within existing youth organizations on the local level through supporting the implementation of 4 innovative youth-led initiatives focusing on youth empowerment and participation that had catalytic effects, and facilitated their inclusion and engagement with their communities.

OUR 39 PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

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| 1. Sunflower Association | 14. Ministry of Local Government | 27. Khayma Cultural Center |
| 2. The African Community Society | 15. The Office of Staff | 28. Shiraa Association |
| 3. Mariam for Social Development | 16. Beitillu Village Council | 29. Shoruq Organization |
| 4. Life Makers Group Women's Center Al-Thuri | 17. The Palestinian Ministry of Environmental Affair | 30. Al-Dheisha Youth Center |
| 5. Mpadron Foundation | 18. The Palestinian Ministry of Agriculture | 31. People's Committee –Al-Dheisha Camp |
| 6. The Palestinian National Theater Al-Hakawati | 19. The Palestinian Ministry of higher Education | 32. Al-Isawiya's Club |
| 7. Future Builders Forum | 20. The Palestinian Ministry of Culture | 33. Spafford Center |
| 8. Wajd Forum four Volunteerism | 21. Wlad Haritna Group | 34. Jerusalemite Youth Culture Forum |
| 9. The Arabic Club | 22. Women's Organization Nabi Samuel | 35. Palestinian Child Center |
| 10. Al-Rajaa Academy | 23. Al-Khalayleh Neighborhood's Village Council | 36. Jadleh Association |
| 11. Professional Training Center- Halhul | 24. Youth Without Borders Forum | 37. Humanitas. |
| 12. Professional Training Center-Tulkarm | 25. Lilac Center | |
| 13. Women's Association Beitillu | 26. Creativity Association | |

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