

The Strategic Partnership (SP) "Towards a Worldwide Influencing Network" is a Lobby and Advocacy programme with the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The programme enables global and local influencing work on three thematic areas: 1) Right to Food; 2) Greater Responsibility in Finance for Development; 3) Conflict and Fragility. The ambition of the SP is to achieve policy changes by governments and the private sector to the benefit of groups facing poverty and injustice, and to strengthen civil society's capacity to demand for such change. The SP is implemented over a period of 5 years by an Alliance consisting of Oxfam Novib and SOMO.

Project: MIFTAH - Conflict & Fragility

MIFTAH - The Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy will contribute to the two targeted outcomes of the project: a) International community holds the PA and Israel accountable and advocates for meaningful inclusion, and protection, of women in gender sensitive peace and security processes; and b) Palestinian Civil Society organizations have increased their influence on national and international decision makers by linking and building local, regional, and international alliances for gender sensitive peace and security. Under the first outcome area MIFTAH will work on conduct periodic consultation with OHCHR and relevant international community actors that have representation in the oPt. This activity aims to support 1325 national coalitions to address WPS agenda to the international community actors to hold Israel accountable for all violations committed against Palestinian women and girls. In addition, MIFTAH will provide capacity building of Coalition members on conflict resolution and peace building. MIFTAH will conduct capacity building trainings for women activists and members of the 1325 coalitions to enhance women's representation in reconciliation committees and leadership roles at the decision making level in civil peace efforts and to enhance the protection and security of women and hold political leaders accountable for their roles and responsibilities. Under the second outcome area MIFTAH will enhance alliances of CSOs including 1325 National coalitions with regional and international networks including Karama, WILPF, ABAAD, WPP, Arab League. This activity aims to strengthen and broaden alliances within the 1325 National and Local coalitions, to represent Palestinian women's voices at the regional and international level, and enhance Palestinian women participation in Human Rights Council and Commission on the Status of Women.

Actor: MIFTAH

MIFTAH was founded in December 1998 under the leadership of Dr. Hanan Ashrawi with the support of prominent Palestinians from different fields serving on its boards of directors and trustees. The organization's main aim is to participate in setting the foundation for the establishment of an independent Palestinian state that affords its citizens a decent life and enjoys the respect of the international community. MIFTAH's various activities with a focus on women and youth seek to change the culture, policy and legislations, which inhibit the participation and influence of different marginalized groups. Key elements of MIFTAH's work aim to build a sound foundation of good governance by conducting extensive work in breaking down the barriers hindering the participation of the marginalized groups in the Palestinian society. Core programs focus on supporting women's participation in elections including successful lobbying to afford them some representation by law. In the past MIFTAH sponsored women candidates and supported them through training for elections. MIFTAH also focuses on the youth and women through leadership training, and works with marginalized localities to build their planning capacities. In addition to work on good governance, MIFTAH works to disseminate the Palestinian narrative through an active web site and the hosting of numerous briefings to foreign diplomats and delegations, both officials and non-governmental visiting OPT.

Financial

Total Budget		186,223 EUR	
Past expenditure	Netherlands Dutch SP D&D Lobby&Advocacy	2016-09-01	45,000 EUR
Past expenditure	Netherlands Dutch SP D&D Lobby&Advocacy	2017-06-01	55,421 EUR
Past expenditure	Netherlands Dutch SP D&D Lobby&Advocacy	2017-08-01	-55,421 EUR
Past expenditure	Netherlands Dutch SP D&D Lobby&Advocacy	2017-09-01	60,421 EUR
Past expenditure	Netherlands Dutch SP D&D Lobby&Advocacy	2018-06-01	69,854 EUR
Past expenditure	Netherlands Dutch SP D&D Lobby&Advocacy	2018-07-01	6,158 EUR
Past expenditure	Netherlands Dutch SP D&D Lobby&Advocacy	2019-11-01	4,790 EUR






Achieved Outcome

- 0 cases in which Oxfam Novib/partners have strengthened and/or broadened alliances in order to promote inclusive security and peace building -DD4
- 0 cases of influentials endorsing gender sensitive policy asks of Oxfam/partners towards women inclusive security provision and peace building

Related 8

ID	Projects
A-04861-02	CO-C&F Program Facilitation & Cap Bldg
A-04861-03	BIMKOM - Conflict & Fragility
A-04861-04	Gisha - Conflict & Fragility
A-04861-05	Yesh Din - Conflict & Fragility
A-04861-06	HaMoked - Conflict & Fragility
A-04861-07	CFTA - Conflict & Fragility
A-04861-08	WCLAC - Conflict & Fragility
A-04861-09	MIFTAH - Conflict & Fragility

Project Information

AIM	    
Country	Palestinian Territories
Start date	2016-04-01
End date	2018-12-31
Status	Active
Grant	1000988

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Realised Output

16 participants in stakeholder sessions organized by Oxfam Novib and partners

0 stakeholder sessions organized by Oxfam Novib and partners

0 cases in which Oxfam Novib and partners supported joint agendas of networks, alliances

0 campaigns in which Oxfam Novib and partners participated

2 alternative policies/approaches presented by Oxfam Novib and partners to duty bearers in and influencers of governments, global governmental actors and the private sector