

TADAMON
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IsDB - ISFD
NGO Empowerment for
Poverty Reduction Program



Djibouti



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About Tadamon

Making CSOs Stronger

The ISDB - ISFD NGO Empowerment for Poverty Reduction Program (Tadamon) is a partnership program sponsored by the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD), managed and designed by the Islamic Development Bank (ISDB), and implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). This booklet demonstrates how this initiative has evolved from providing visibility to Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) projects and activities to facilitating and supporting innovative ideas that have the potential to scale up in those Member Countries (MCs) of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) that have endorsed the Program.

The program is being implemented from 2019 to 2024 among the 57 OIC member countries. Each year, around 7 priority countries are selected to implement the program. Within the scope of the program, over 100 CSOs are empowered annually. This booklet aims to illustrate the activities and achievements of the ISDB-ISFD NGO Empowerment Program for Poverty Reduction in Djibouti.

“The Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy has been an essential catalyst for the success of my crowdfunding campaign, equipping me with the skills and knowledge necessary to maximize the impact of my efforts. I am grateful for this opportunity and highly recommend this academy to those seeking to excel in the field of crowdfunding.”

Groupe des Femmes Solidaires pour la Bienfaisance, 2024 Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy Participants

4131

CSOs signed up to Tadamon.community as result of the CSO Mapping Exercise

3310

CSOs verified by the program to date

704

CSOs trained through the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy

17,6 million

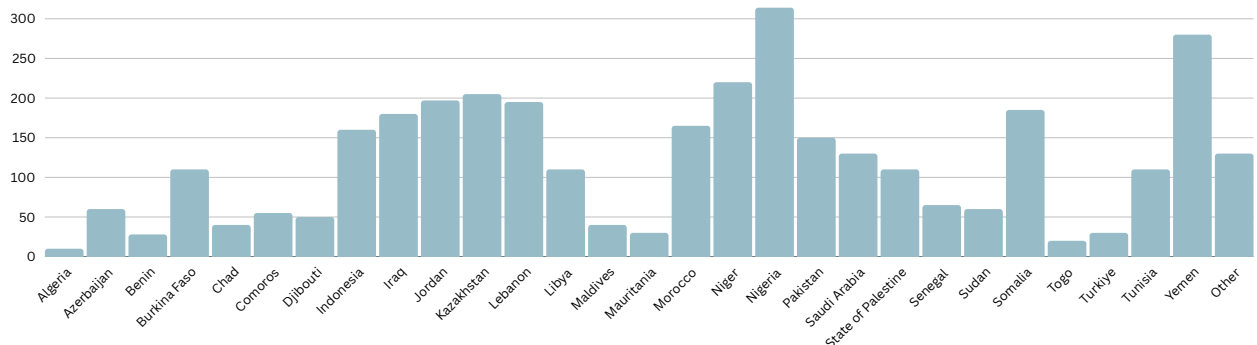
Total value of projects from successful campaigns and raised \$14,566,331 through crowdfunding

72.8 million

Total amount raised through Tadamon partners

DATA OVERVIEW: December 2024

In what countries is your CSO registered and licensed to operate?





Program objectives

Reduce poverty

in IsDB's MCs through development and humanitarian initiatives;

Build relationships

and undertake cooperative initiatives to reach hard-to-reach communities;

Showcase the benefits of an integrated approach

to improve the socio-economic wellbeing of hard-to-reach communities.

Program activities

1 Mapping, screening, and categorizing of national CSOs

- **Developing a roster of CSOs** that can partner with IsDB/ISFD.
- **Identifying institutional capacity gaps**, specializations, and mapping of civil society landscape.
- **Identifying new partners**, such as: international CSOs, philanthropies, foundations, and platforms.
- **Providing an easy-to-search database** for future partners.

2 Capacity-building for local CSOs

through dialogue and institutional strengthening. The aim is to promote CSOs engagement on a country level in MCs to:

- Improve operational efficiency and effectiveness.
- Support strengthening of institutional capacity to raise funds, manage, implement, monitor, and evaluate grant projects.
- Participate in the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy for sustainable financing.

3 Promoting innovative and transformative projects

led by CSOs that contribute to reducing poverty in their communities. These transformative projects focus on:

- **Improving the lives** of refugees, women, youth, people with disabilities, and children deprived of parental care through education and skills development.
- **Empowering vulnerable communities** through income-generating opportunities, community resilience building, and job creation for youth.

4 Development of the Tadamon online platform

that will:

- **Support mapped CSOs** to get more visibility, connections, training and funding.
- **Serve as the "Trip advisor" on CSOs** programs and projects in particular fields, in order to make it easier for citizens, the private sector, and philanthropies to financially support the humanitarian and development efforts of CSOs.

DATA OVERVIEW: Djibouti*

OUTREACH

53

CSOs registered

35

Applications to the
Crowdfunding
Academy

TRAINING & EMPOWERMENT

19

CSOs developed
campaigns

5

campaigns launched

\$161,500

Total project value

TRAINING & EMPOWERMENT

\$3,350

raised via crowdfunding

* September 2024

Civil Society in Djibouti

Djiboutians have a strong tradition of community support and many CSOs have been formed to address community needs, playing key roles in promoting economic growth and social cohesion. International projects have helped strengthen their capacities, enabling them to better support vulnerable groups and build more inclusive, resilient communities.

As one of the world's smallest countries, with a population of just 1.1 million, Djibouti relies heavily on its strategic location for transport and logistics. With 78% of its people living in urban areas and 70% under the age of 35, the country faces significant challenges. These include limited arable land, dependence on imports for 90% of its food, and a youth unemployment rate of 63%. In response to these issues, numerous civil society organizations (CSOs) have emerged across Djibouti's five regions and its capital.

Initiatives for sustainable development are growing, with CSOs playing a key role. While many CSOs focus on sectors like environmental protection, health, and agriculture, they are rare in areas like civil rights, political leadership, technology, sports, and culture—vital for innovation and social cohesion.

However, today due to lack of funding and motivation, many CSOs are inactive. They are run and staffed by volunteers who have other full-time jobs, mainly serving the government. It has also been observed that new associations run by young people are more inclined to implement measures that would lead to their Professionalization.

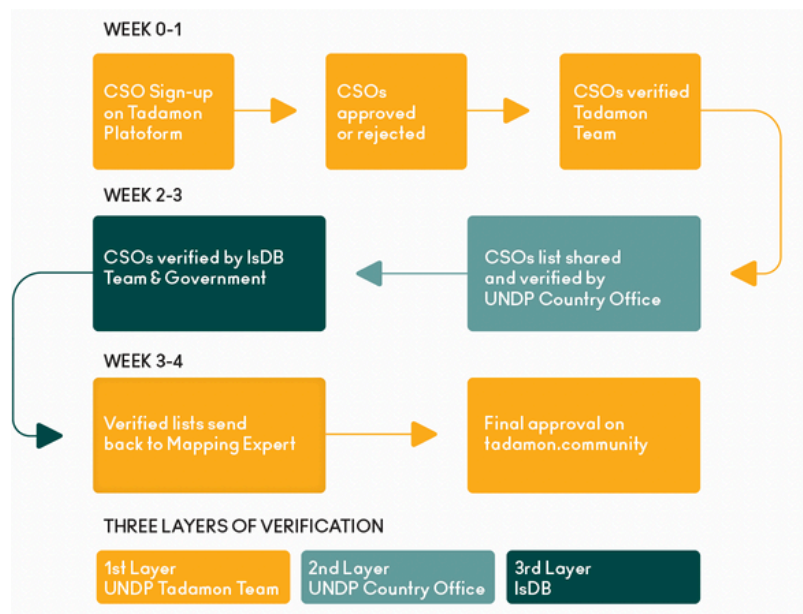
Most of the challenges lie in the capacities of CSOs, who demand training in financial and project management, as well as proposal writing. However, they also need to understand the administrative formalities required to respond successfully to calls for tender or requests for proposals.



Mapping of CSOs

Since 2020, the program has mapped, categorised and surveyed the civil society landscape across 33 OIC member countries. In 2022 this mapping was conducted in Djibouti to understand better and get to know the people and organisations at the forefront of grassroots development. Instead of relying on existing databases and directories, a new approach was specifically designed to have CSOs come to our platform. The goal was to identify the most active organisations that would benefit from the program and its activities, by having CSOs sign up on the Tadamon platform.

After signing up and passing our three-step verification process, CSOs gain access to participate in our activities: grant programs, financed by IsDB, Crowdfunding Academies and other forthcoming capacity-building programs.



Sign Up Criteria

1. CSOs' activities are in line with IsDB's areas of interventions;
2. CSOs have no political affiliation
3. CSOs have a minimum of 2 years of experience
4. CSOs are registered and licensed to operate in their respective countries

CSO verification

CSOs that signed up to the platform go through a three-step verification process to ensure they are eligible for the program and have an official registration with local authorities. The applications are also reviewed for any fake applications and scammers.

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number of CSOs from Djibouti in the online database*

49

Verified CSOs from Djibouti*

*Data from September 2024

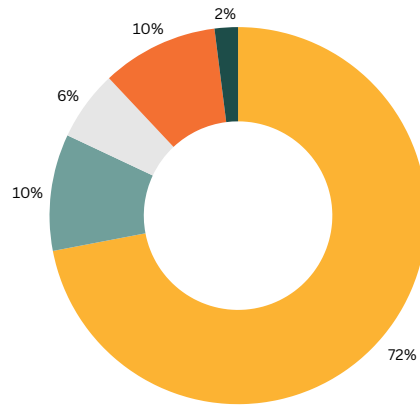
CSOs in Djibouti

A total of 52 CSOs from Djibouti applied to the program and the data of these mapped organizations was collected through the [Tadamon sign-up](#) form and added to the online database.

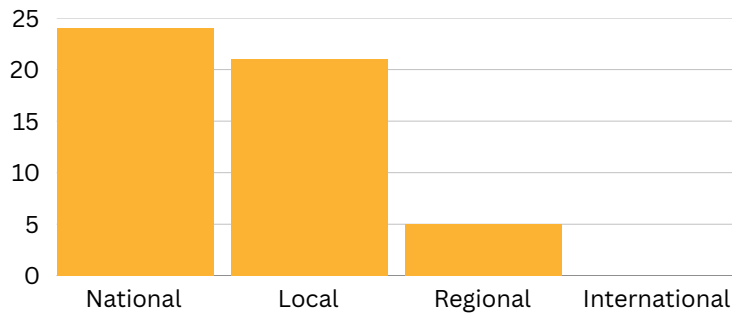
Below is a visualisation of selected data points included in the sign-up form.

Organization Type

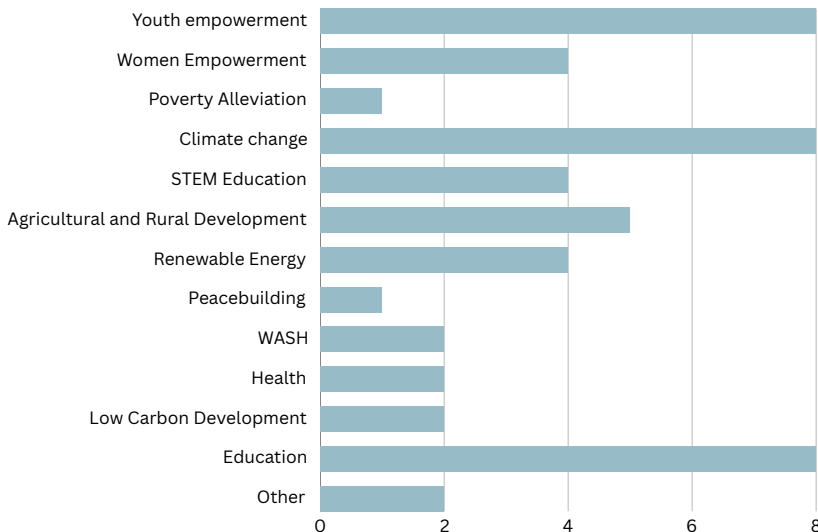
- philanthropy
- Nonprofit organisation
- Community based organisation
- Cooperative
- CSO Network



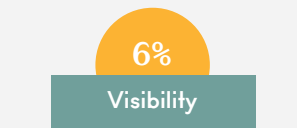
Activity level



Fields of activities of mapped CSOs



Reasons for joining Tadamon



Experience with Crowdfunding



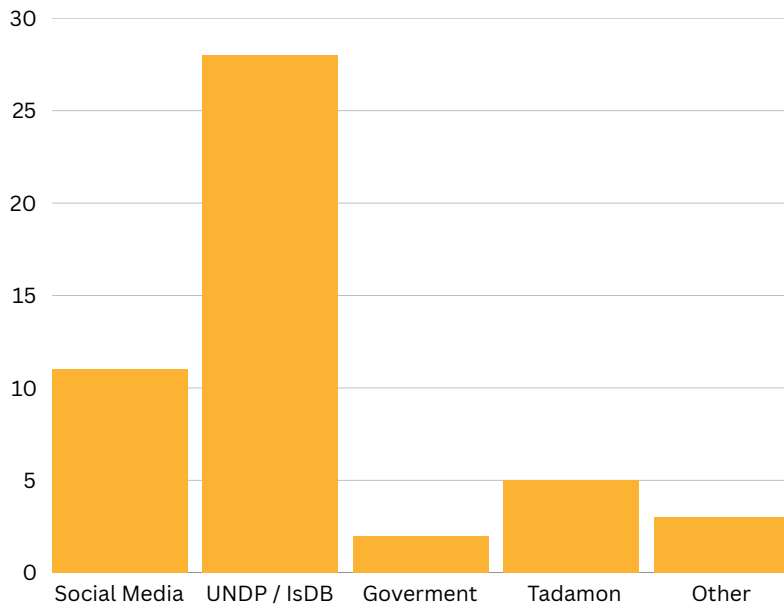
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Whether or not mapped CSOs have received previous funding from UNDP or IsDB

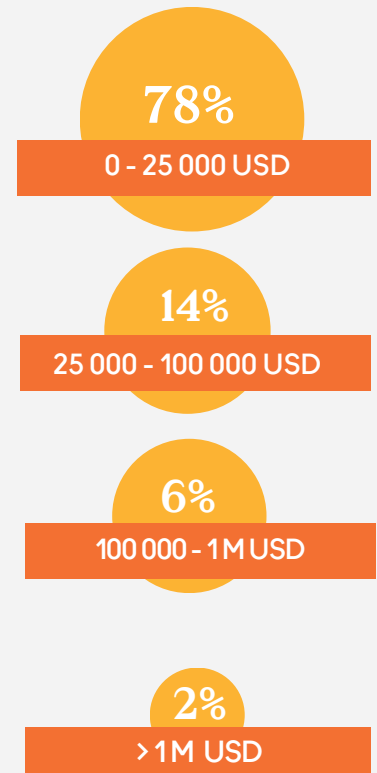


■ No ■ Yes

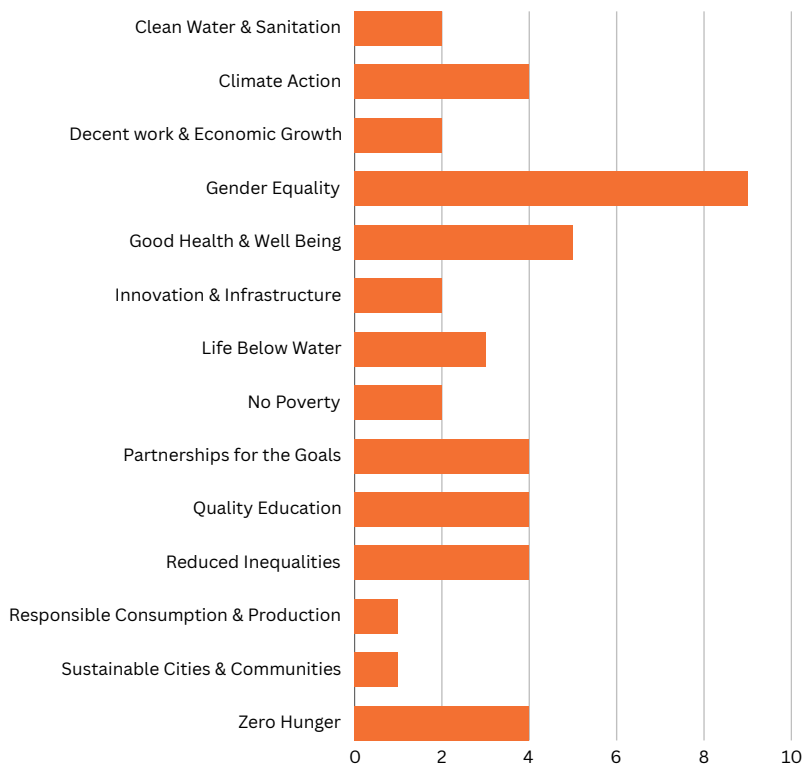
How organizations found out about Tadamon



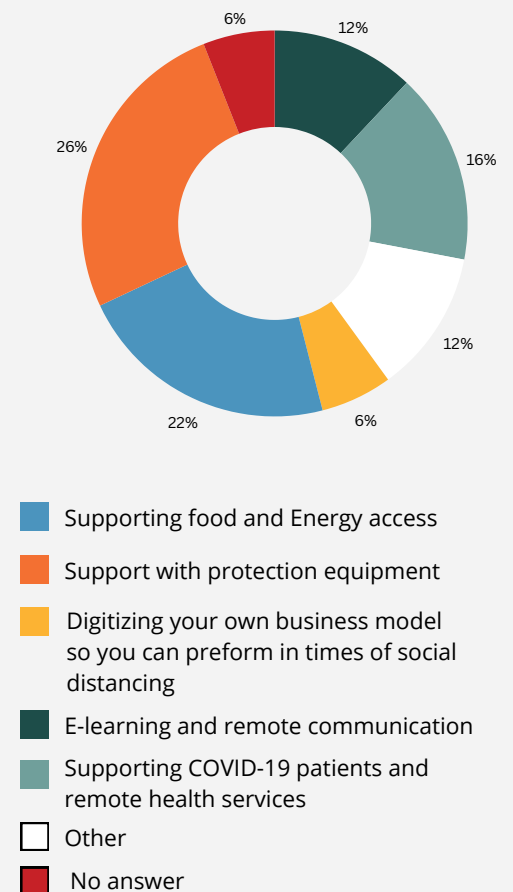
Annual Budget of Mapped CSOs



SDGs that best describe the activities of mapped CSOs



Areas of COVID-19 response that mapped organizations are working in



Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Djibouti

Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Djibouti took place between April and September 2023. During the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Djibouti, the below-listed CSOs and their personnel were trained and empowered on the topic of developing crowdfunding campaigns while acquiring effective communication skills

(written, oral and visual), project development and implementation skills.

CSOs were verified by UNDP; IsDB/ISFD and the Government of Djibouti as trustworthy and reliable partners.

Association Ecosymbiose	Low Carbon Development	ecosymbiose14@gmail.com
Association Autre Regard	Health	omaramina1986@gmail.com
Association Miroir de la Jeunesse d'Adaillou	Education	associationmja1@gmail.com
Association Connect Djibouti	STEM Education	mouhiyadin@connectdjibouti.org
Association Qousba Maxexou	Education	associationqousbamaxexou@gmail.com
Association Baraka Charity	Education	djibril.med.saad@gmail.com
Groupe des Femmes Solidaires pour la Bienfaisance	Education	groupefemmessolidaires@gmail.com
Association Paix et Lait	Education	ilmi.awaleh@gmail.com
Association OUBOUKY	Education	radwanissa@hotmail.fr
Femme TIC Djibouti	Women Empowerment	femmeticdjibouti@gmail.com
Association Pour le Developpement du Secteur Lac Abbe	Climate Change	lacabbegobaad@gmail.com
Association Pour Les Développements De Lac-assal	Climate Change	Medgaucheta@gmail.com
Association Ilalta	Education	mai88med@gmail.com
Association SIRIDDO	Climate Change	associationsiriddo@gmail.com
Association Nationale de guides touristiques de Djibouti	Climate Change	moussa.ballaq@gmail.com
Association de la Jeunesse de Bolli	Youth Empowerment	fafyhassan98@gmail.com
Association Djibouti de Taiji Guan	Youth Empowerment	arbiphenix@gmail.com
Association des Femmes Obockoises pour le Développement	Youth Empowerment	femmeobock15@gmail.com
Gender Hope	Youth Empowerment	genderhopegender@gmail.com

Tadamon Partners

Humanitarian Leadership Academy



www.humanitarianleadershipacademy.org

The Humanitarian Leadership Academy is a global learning initiative set up to facilitate partnerships and collaborative opportunities to enable people to prepare for and respond to humanitarian crises and development challenges in their own countries.

Contribution

The Humanitarian Leadership Academy has partnered with IsDB and ISFD to provide the organizations participating in the Tadamon program with resources to support their learning and capacity building needs.

NAMA Foundation



www.namafoundation.org

NAMA Foundation was established in Malaysia in 2004, with the mission of empowering communities and CSOs throughout the world in the education sector, through institutional grants and partnership building, supported by excellent project management and result measurement.

Contribution

Funding and technical support of up to US\$2 million to the CSOs operating in Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan and other countries according to mutual agreement.

International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA)



www.iita.org

IITA's mission is to ensure food security for some of the world's poorest people and provide them with viable strategies that create real long-term results for economic development and community stability, while building an ecologically sound future that takes into account the issues of climate change. IITA sees a bright future for Africa. It sees a continent that can become a world leader in agriculture and sustainability.

Contribution

In-kind:

- Nigeria: up to US\$5 million
- Other countries: up to US\$100,000 per year in research funding

Al Awn Foundation for Development

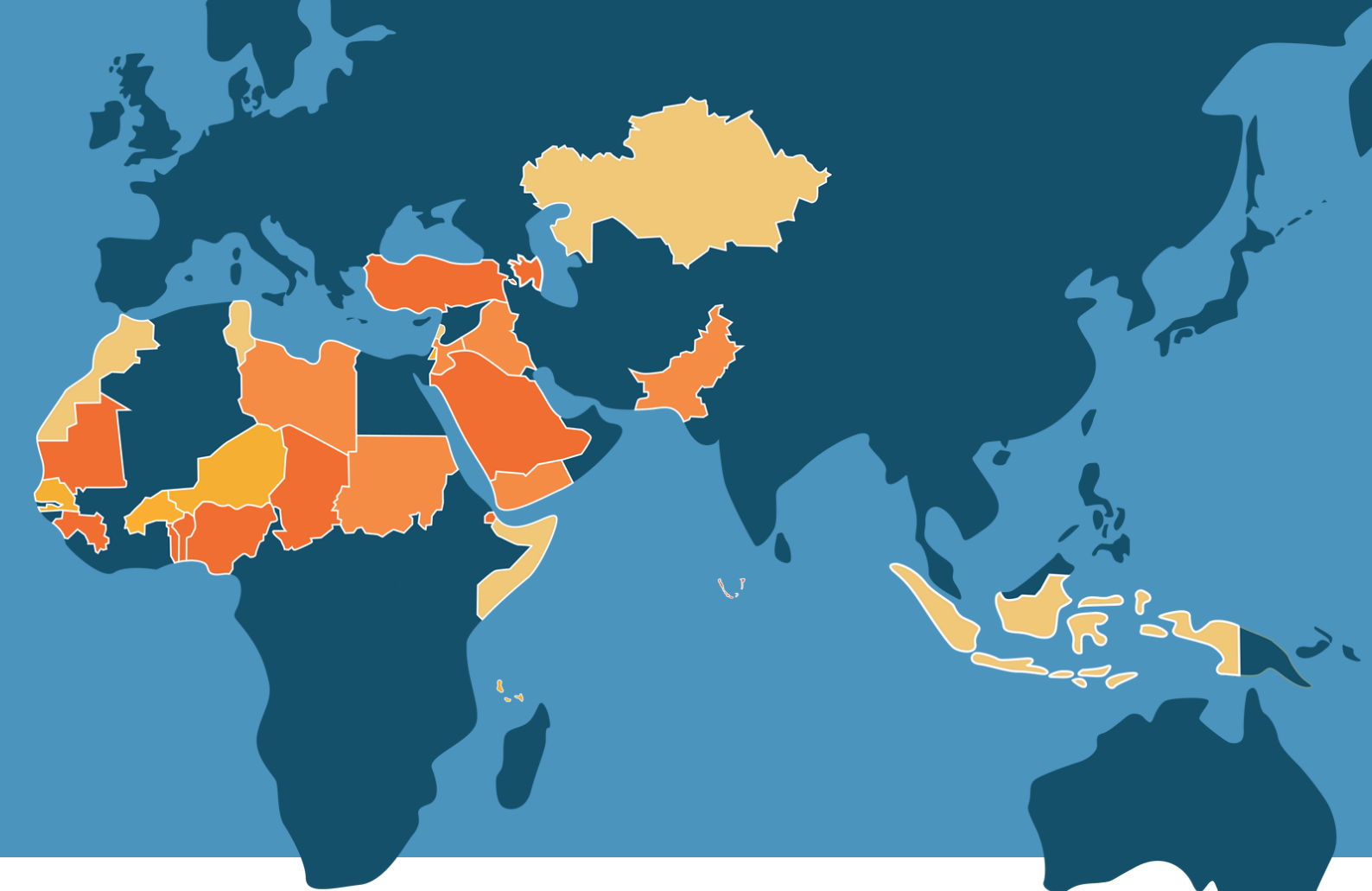


www.alawn.org

Al-Awn Foundation for Development seeks to lead in grants for sustainable development in vital areas, through a series of programs and projects based on studies stating the importance of partnership with governmental institutions, organizations, and communities.

Contribution

Al Awn Foundation will contribute an amount of US\$1 million for activities in Yemen.



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Tadamon Countries

As a result of CSO mapping, TADAMON now has a searchable database of over 4131 CSOs categorized by a number of variables. In this way, interested partners can search for organizations working on specific development challenges.

In 2020 we started with six pilot countries, in which to test our approach and refine our services. Each year we are expanding our network to new OIC member countries that have endorsed the Tadamon program.

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Indonesia	Comoros	Iraq	Maldives	Turkey
Kazakhstan	Burkina Faso	Libya	KSA	Uzbekistan
Lebanon	Niger	Jordan	Djibouti	Benin
Morocco	Senegal	Pakistan	Azerbaijan	Brunei
Somalia	State of Palestine	Yemen	Turkiye	Darussalam
Tunisia		Sudan	Nigeria	Guinea
			Togo	Cameroon
			Mauritania	
			Guinea	
			Benin	
			Chad	
			Uzbekistan	

CSO - Civil Society Organisation

FABAN - Société de fabrication de farine infantile à base de produits locaux des Comores

FADESIM - Fédération des Acteurs pour le Développement Socio-économique de l'île de Mohéli

IITA - International Institute for Tropical Agriculture

IsDB - Islamic Development Bank

ISFD - Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development

MC - Member Country

NGO - Non-Governmental Organisation

SDGs - Sustainable Development Goals

UNDP - United Nations Development Programme

UNDP CO - United Nations Development Programme Country Office

UNDP IRH - United Nations Development Programme Istanbul Regional Hub

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