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NGO Empowerment for
Poverty Reduction Program

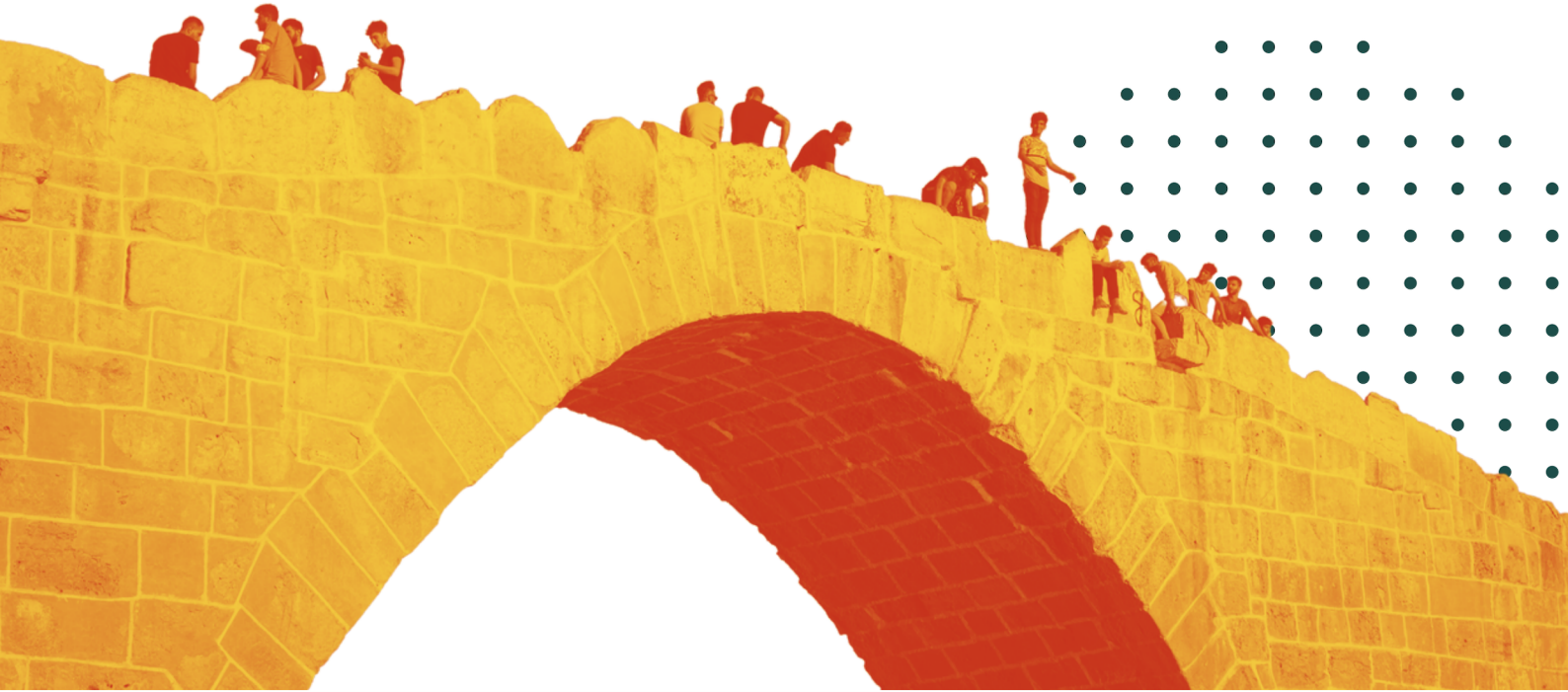


Iraq



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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 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 during the years 2019-2024 among the 57 OIC member countries. Each year, around 7 priority countries are selected for the implementation of the program. Within the scope of the program, over 100 CSOs are empowered annually. The goal of this booklet is to illustrate the activities and achievements of the IsDB-ISFD NGO Empowerment Program for Poverty Reduction in Somalia.

"It was an engaging and very useful experience. It added value to me and my work by providing a detailed and modern approach to project building and writing, incorporating contemporary elements into project design and campaigns. Thank you for what you have provided and what you will provide"."

Bothoor ALkhaer organisation for Relief and Development, 2022 - Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy Participant

4018

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

3043

CSOs verified by the program to date

689

CSOs trained through the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy

\$13.4 milion

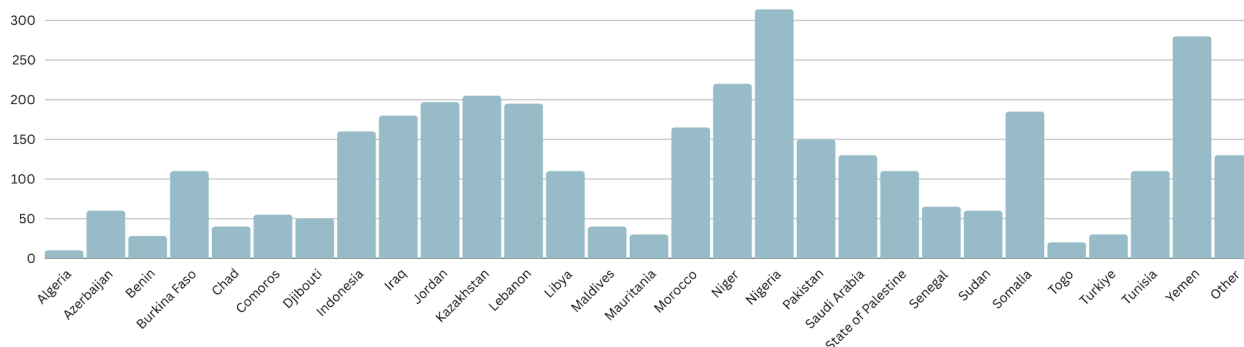
Total value of projects from successful campaigns and raised \$12,700,732 through crowdfunding academies

\$72.8 milion

Total amount raised through Tadamon partners

DATA OVERVIEW: May 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: IRAQ *

OUTREACH

187

CSOs registered

79

Applications to the
Crowdfunding
Academy

25

CSOs selected

TRAINING & EMPOWERMENT

23

CSOs developed
campaigns

4

Campaigns launched

\$499,140

Total project value

RESOURCE MOBILIZATION & IMPACT

\$6,500

Raised via
crowdfunding

\$6,500

Total value of projects
from successful
campaigns

* May 2024

Civil Society in Iraq

Iraq boasts a diverse civil society. CSOs have emerged as relatively recent entities in Iraq. Before 2003, civil society was not widely acknowledged, but after that, this sector has witnessed significant growth in Iraq and has played a crucial role in stabilising the country after conflicts. The historical background, demographics, and cultural factors have a profound impact on the structure and operation of civil society within Iraqi communities. The events of 2003 marked a significant turning point for Iraqi civil society. The humanitarian crisis, and the involvement of international actors led to the emergence of many non-governmental organisations that adopt the concept of civil society in a manner that is more in line with the international community.

Civil society actors, ranging from volunteer networks to youth groups and community-based organisations, have actively mobilised to address humanitarian needs, encourage greater civic participation, and enhance public awareness. They serve as a vital link between international organisations and local communities, offering a community-led approach to recovering from violence and complementing government services.

The Non-Governmental Organizations Directorate (NGOD) operates under the umbrella of the General

Secretariat of the Council of Ministers, serving as the exclusive official entity entrusted with the oversight of organisations and civil society in Iraq. It is worth mentioning that there are two distinct directorates dedicated to NGOs. One is situated at the federal level in Baghdad, while the other operates within the Kurdistan Region.

A significant change occurred in 2005 when the aforementioned office was separated from the Ministry of Planning and transferred to the Ministry of State for Civil Society Affairs. This upgrade resulted in the establishment of the NGO Directorates in Baghdad and Erbil. The new Directorates comprised various departments, sections, units, coordination centres, coordinators, and monitors spread across all governorates.

According to the NGO Directorate in Baghdad, the current number of registered NGOs under Law No. 12 of 2010 is 5,756, including 179 foreign organisations. The number of registered organisations has seen an increase in the past year, with an average of 100 organisations higher than previous years. Furthermore, according to statistics collected by the NGOs Directorate in the Kurdistan Region, there are 4,734 registered organisations in the region.

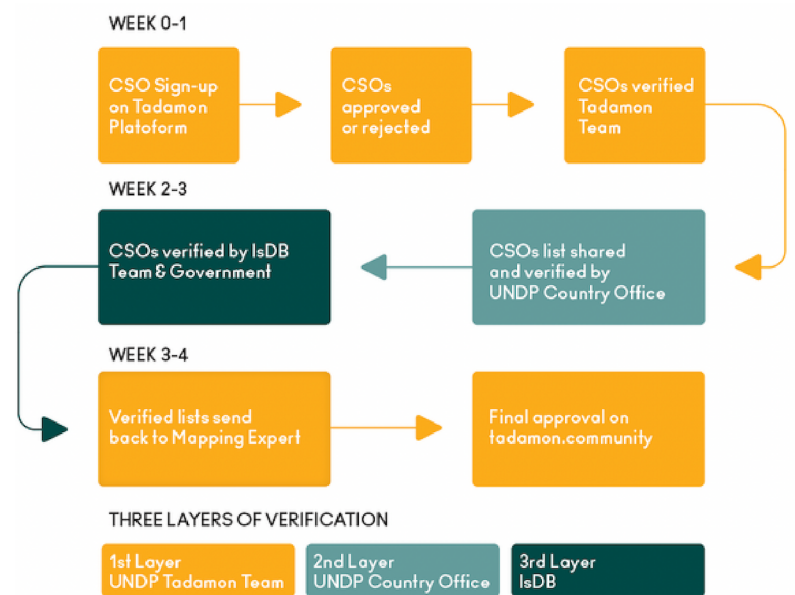


Mapping of CSOs

Since 2020, the program has mapped, categorised and surveyed the civil society landscape across 33 OIC member countries. In 2021 this mapping was conducted in Somalia in order to better understand and get to know the people and organizations 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 organizations 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 Iraq in online database*

123

Verified CSOs from Iraq*

*Data from October 2023

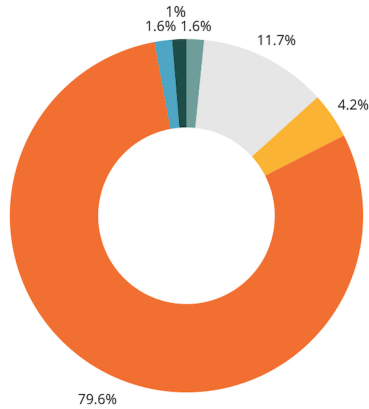
CSOs in Iraq

A total of 180 CSOs from Iraq signed up to the program and the data of these mapped organisations was collected through the [Tadamon sign-up form](#) and added to the online database.

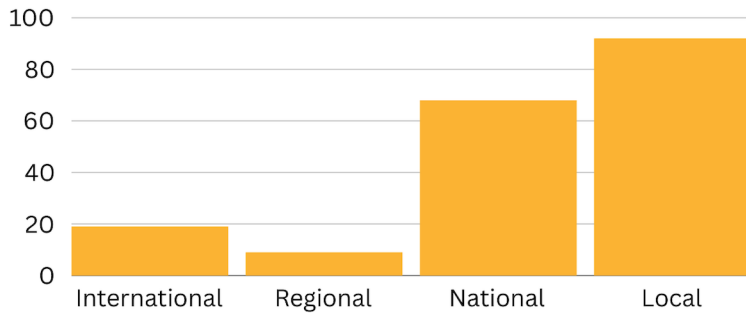
Below is a visualisation of selected data points included in the sign-up form.

Organization Type

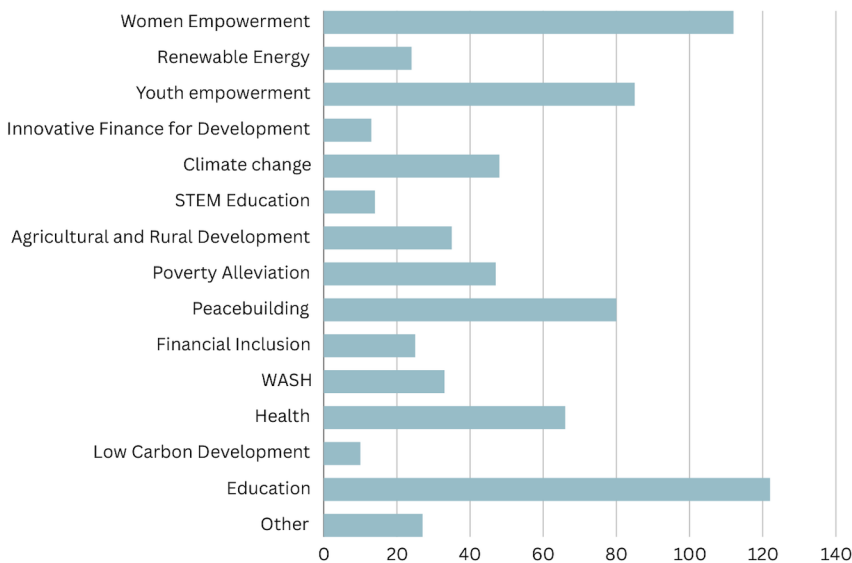
- Think tank, platform
- Nonprofit organisation
- Community based organisation
- Philanthropy
- CSO Network
- Cooperative or farmers' association



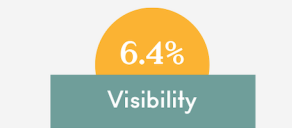
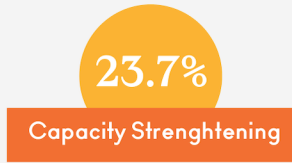
Activity level



Fields of activities of mapped CSOs



Reasons for joining Tadamon



Experience with Crowdfunding



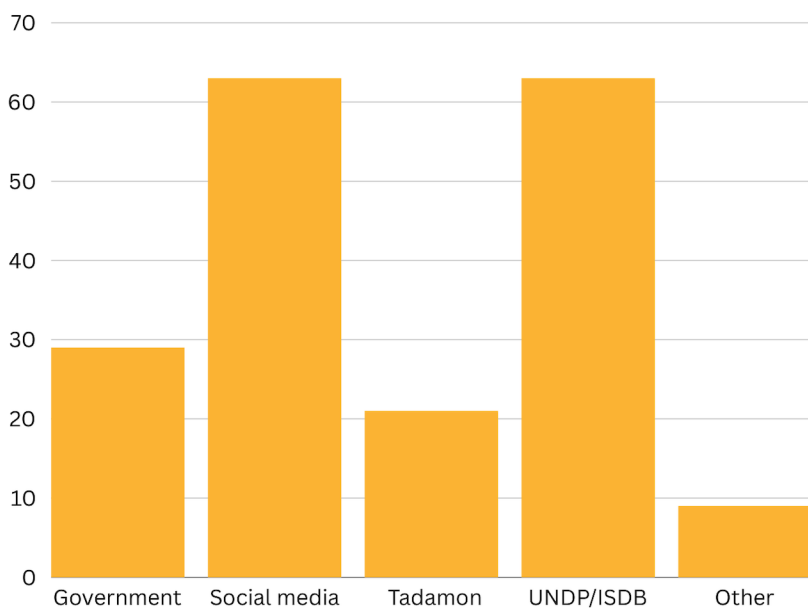
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Whether or not mapped CSOs have received previous funding from UNDP or IsDB

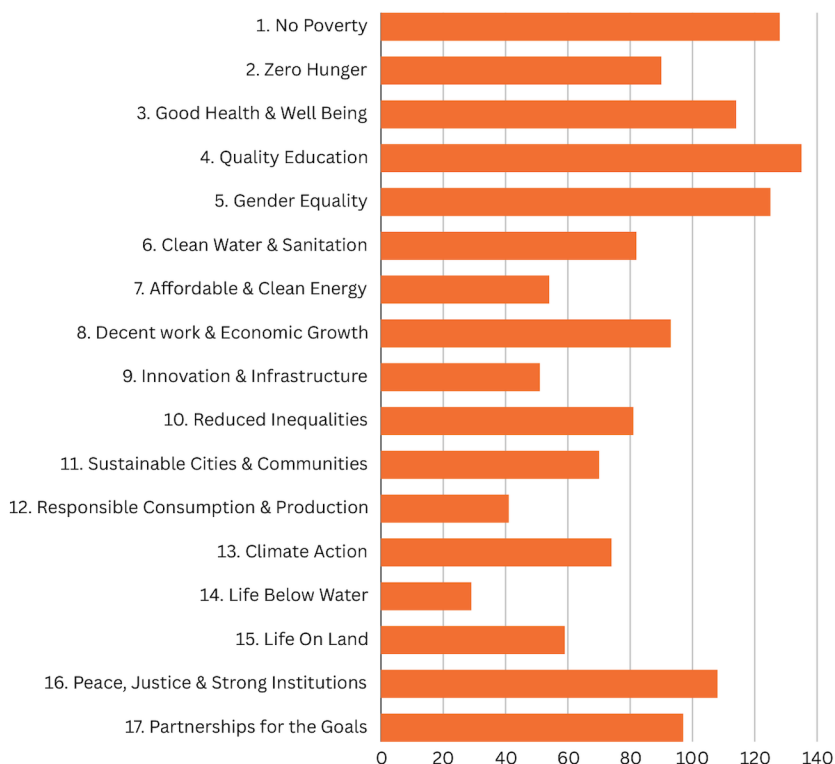


- No
- Yes

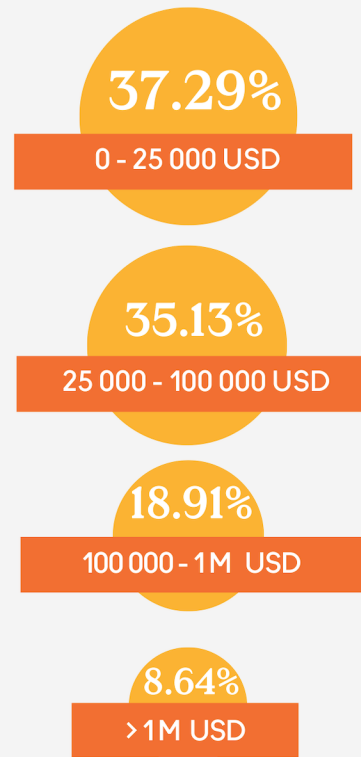
How organizations found out about Tadamon



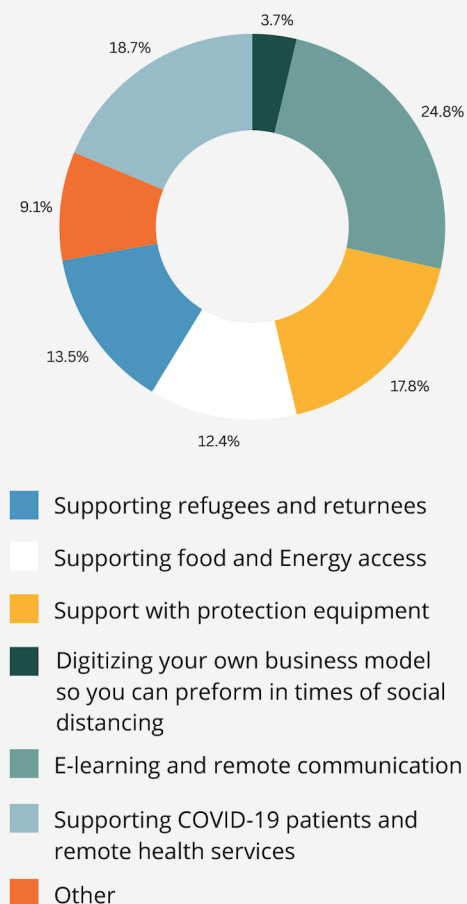
SDGs that best describe the activities of mapped CSOs



Annual Budget of Mapped CSOs



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



Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Iraq



Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Iraq Took place between April and June 2022. During the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Iraq, 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 Iraq as trustworthy and reliable partners.

Ther Development Center	Economic Development, Poverty Reduction	majid.abukalal@gmail.com
Aid Gate Organization For Economic Development	Social Development	hop@agediraq.org
Thinkers Organization for Talented Care	Capacity Building, Women and Child Care	mmathemtic@yahoo.com
Bring Hope Humanitarian Foundation	Women and Child Care	karzan@bringhopefoundation.org
Al-Aghsan Foundation for Agriculture and Environment Development	Environmental Development	sarmad.talib@alaghsan.org
Wasel Tasel Humanitarian Foundation	Education, Health, Development, Relief and Social Initiatives	tariq@wasel-tasel.org
Ajial Association for Intelligence and Creativity Development	Social Development	ajial2006@yahoo.com
Abhaar Foundation for Education and Sustainable Development	Education	abhaar2015@gmail.com
Bothoor ALkhaer organization for Relief and Development	Development, Relief and Social Initiatives	ngo2iraq@gmail.com
Civil Development Organization (CDO)	Economic Empowerment and Social Inclusion	ayad.Hamid981@gmail.com
Economic Development Foundation To Develop The Capabilities Of Businessmen	Economic Empowerment and Social Inclusion	ali.alazzam43@yahoo.com
Woman for Supporting Women's Association	Human rights	ibtisam.alshammary@yahoo.com and ali.imoiq@gmail.com
Independent culture association	Education and Childcare	thaqafyamysan@gmail.com
Mahaba Wes-Salam	Poverty Reduction	mahabawessalam@gmail.com and sabahnoori3@yahoo.com
Al-Ghad League for Woman & Child Care	Women and Child Care	eng.mohammed@alghad-league.org
Talented child for sustainable development	Child Care Development and Education	talented.child@yahoo.com
Shabak Women Association	Socio-economic and Human rights	suriaqado@yahoo.com
Ahbab Almustafa	Human Rights and Social inclusion	ahbabalmustafa88@gmail.com and omaramarsoomi17@gmail.com
Rewaqa Baghdad Center For Public Policy	Community Development	sarah@rewaqbaghdad.org and sarah.sabah266@gmail.com
Mosul Space	Community Development	salih.mahmod@mosulspace.org
Lawyers for Women Center	Women empowerment	director@lawyersforwomen.org and coordinator@lawyersforwomen.org
Mercy Land Organization for Sustainable Development	Education, health, environmental protection, climate, and enhancing sustainable livelihoods	ceo@mercyland-iq.org
Progress in Peace	Community Development	farhad.barakat@progressinpeace.org
Shakoufyan	Sustainable development, peacebuilding, and empowerment	rand.firashasan@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\$ million
- Other countries: up to US\$100,000 per year in research funding

Al Awn Foundation for Development

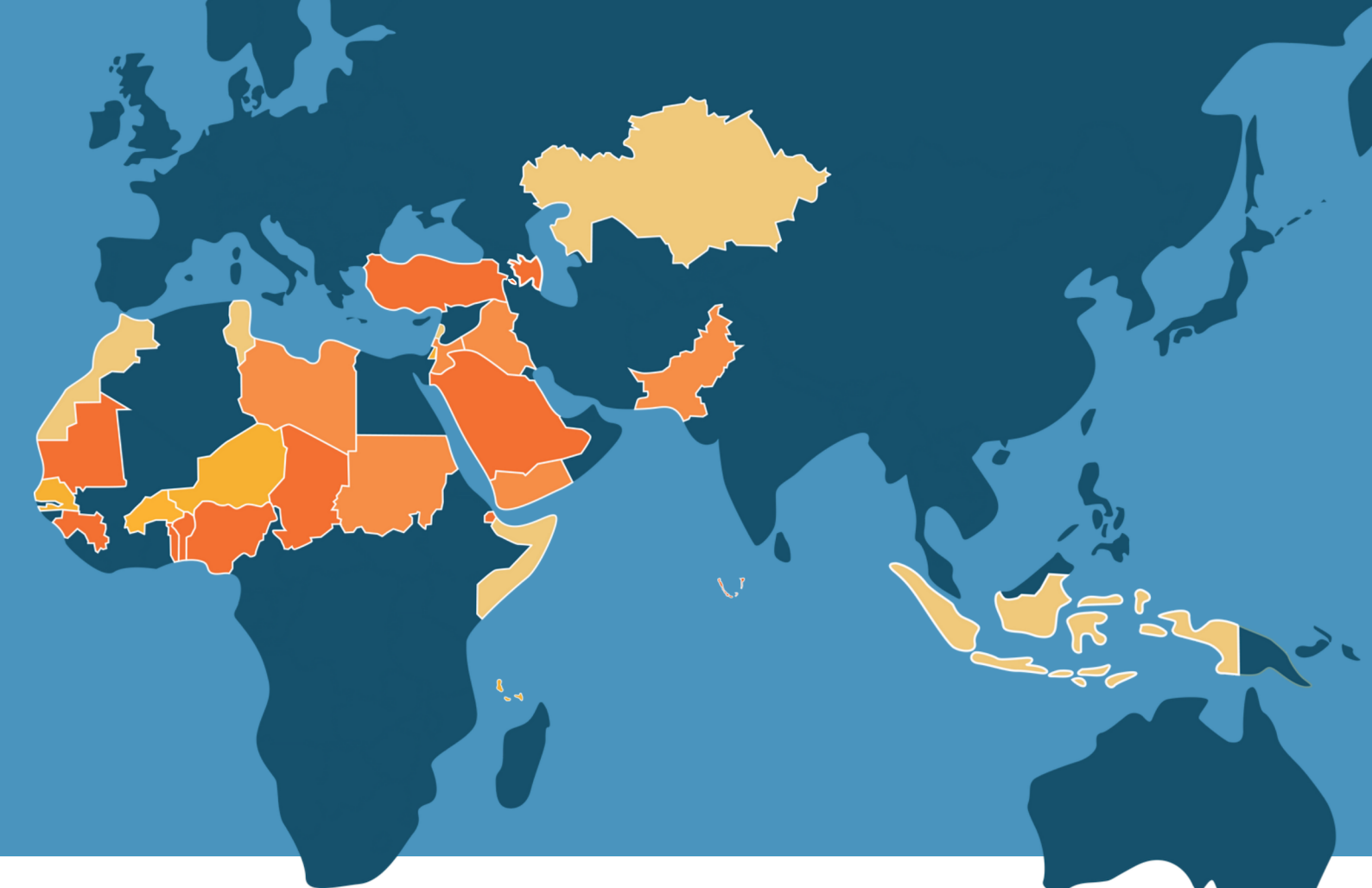


www.alawn.org

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 3419 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
Indonesia	Comoros	Iraq	Maldives
Kazakhstan	Burkina Faso	Libya	KSA
Lebanon	Niger	Jordan	Djibouti
Morocco	Senegal	Pakistan	Azerbaijan
Somalia	State of Palestine	Yemen	Turkiye
Tunisia		Sudan	Nigeria
			Togo
			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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