

TADAMON
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IsDB - ISFD
NGO Empowerment for
Poverty Reduction Program



Nigeria



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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 Nigeria.

“Being a part of the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy has improved my skills in raising funds from the crowd, I have made new contacts and learned so much! I am thrilled!”

Serendipity Healthcare Foundation Samirah Faruk, 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 milion

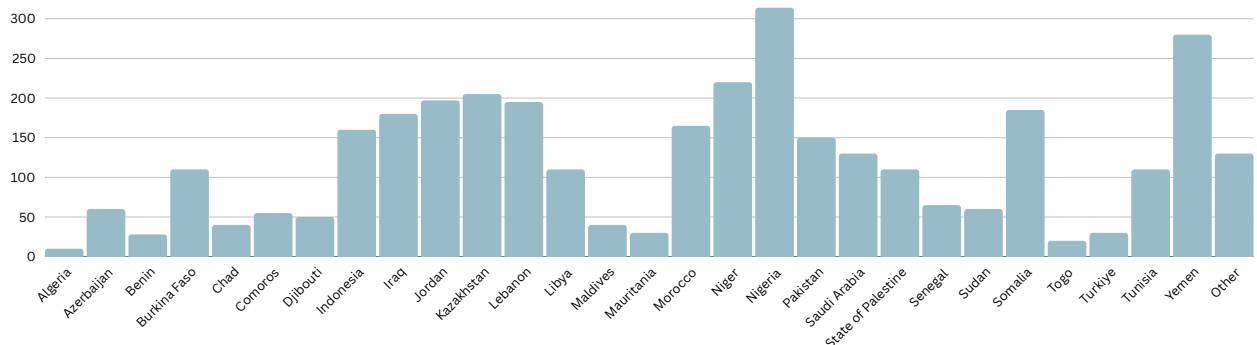
Total value of projects from successful campaigns and raised \$14,566,331 through crowdfunding

\$72.8 milion

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: Nigeria *

OUTREACH

367

CSOs registered

120

Applications to the
Crowdfunding
Academy

TRAINING & EMPOWERMENT

24

CSOs developed
campaigns

22

Campaigns launched

\$1,716,742

Total project value

RESOURCE MOBILIZATION & IMPACT

\$ 109,794

Raised via Crowdfunding

\$ 109,794

total value of projects
from successful campaigns

* September 2024

Civil Society in Nigeria

Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in Nigeria play a crucial role in advancing social development, promoting good governance, and safeguarding human rights. Operating across diverse sectors such as education, healthcare, and gender equality, they act as catalysts for positive change by addressing systemic challenges and advocating for equitable policies. CSOs contribute significantly to improving service delivery in underserved areas, fostering accountability in governance, and enhancing transparency in public and private institutions. Through their work, they empower marginalized communities to realize their potential while bridging gaps in social infrastructure.

CSOs in Nigeria are regulated under the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) 2020 and must register with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC). Oversight is provided by the Federal Ministry of Finance and the Special Control Unit Against Money Laundering (SCUML) under the EFCC. However, the controversial NGO Regulatory Commission Bill has raised concerns about increased government overreach, potentially imposing additional restrictions on CSOs' operations and funding. With an estimated 120,000 registered CSOs in Nigeria—though not all are active—many focus on addressing critical issues such as poverty eradication, youth empowerment, and crisis management, especially in rural areas.

Despite their impact, CSOs face significant challenges, including limited funding, political interference, and regulatory hurdles under CAMA 2020. These obstacles threaten their ability to sustain initiatives and effectively advocate for social change. However, CSOs have shown resilience by leveraging innovation, digital technologies, and partnerships to enhance service delivery, broaden outreach, and strengthen advocacy efforts. By collaborating with governments, the private sector, and international organizations, CSOs are finding sustainable solutions to pressing societal challenges, particularly in healthcare, education, and social welfare.

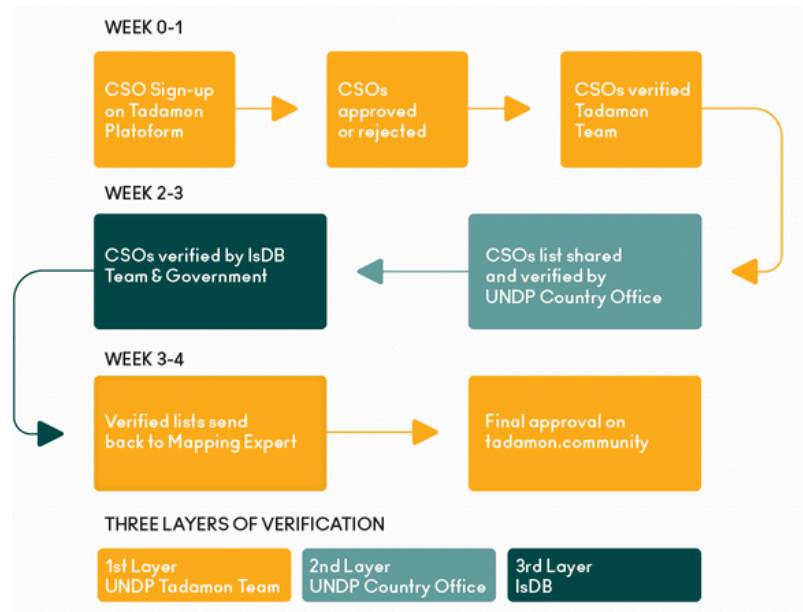
To amplify their impact, a supportive regulatory environment and adequate resource allocation are vital. Strengthening collaboration among CSOs, government agencies, and private sector partners can amplify collective efforts and create long-term solutions to development challenges. Additionally, implementing robust monitoring and evaluation frameworks is critical for ensuring accountability and driving continuous improvement. With the right support and resources, CSOs can continue empowering communities, driving policy reforms, and advancing sustainable development across Nigeria.



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 Nigeria 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.

367
Number of CSOs from Nigeria in online database*

303
Verified CSOs from Nigeria*

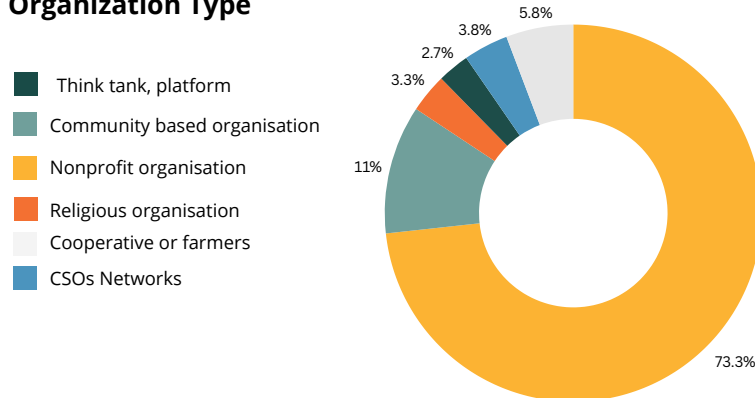
*Data from September 2024

CSOs in Nigeria

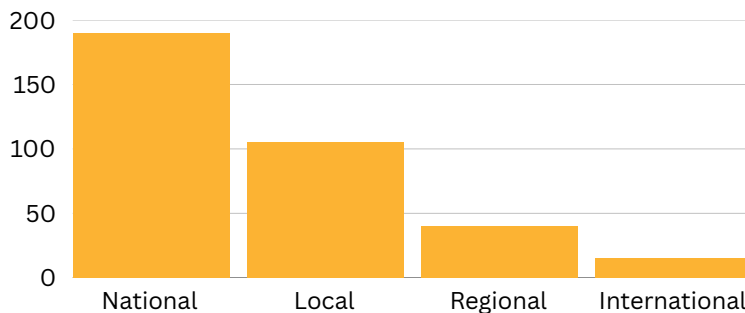
A total of 367 CSOs from Nigeria applied to the program and the data of these mapped organizations was collected through the [Tadamon sign-up](#) form and added to the online database.

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

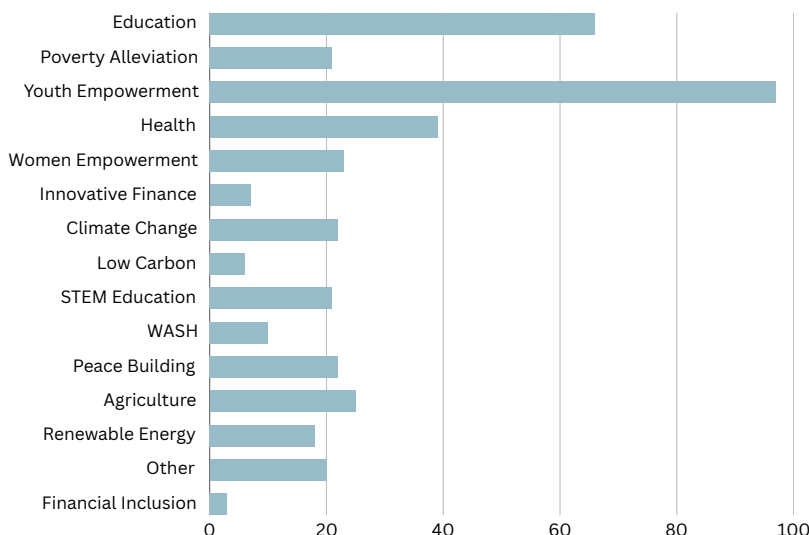
Organization Type



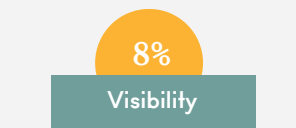
Activity level



Fields of activities of mapped CSOs



Reasons for joining Tadamon



Experience with Crowdfunding



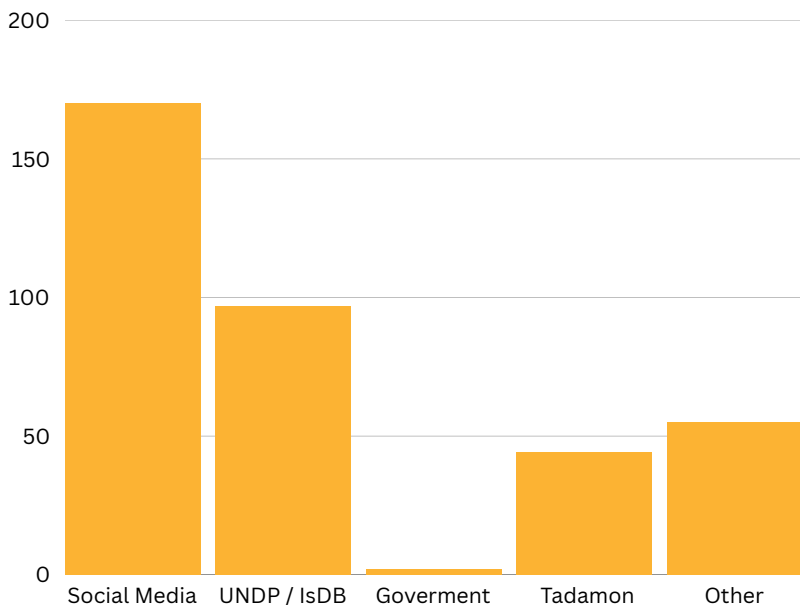
No Yes

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

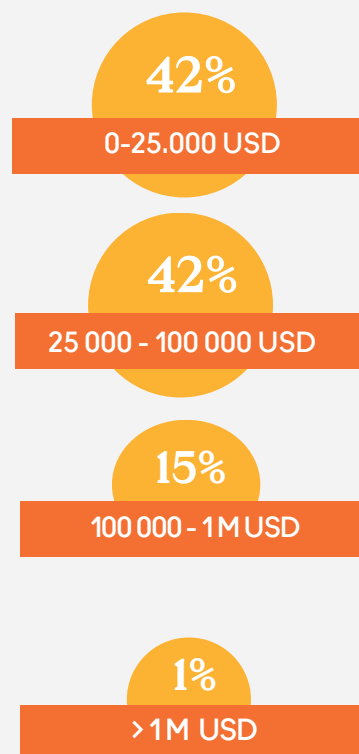


No Yes

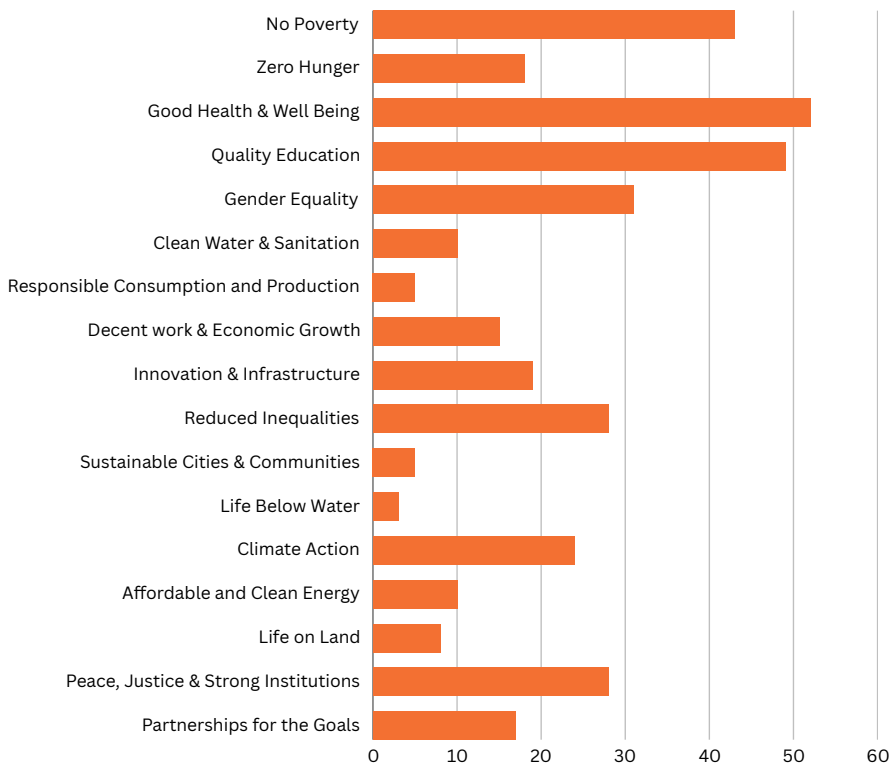
How organizations found out about Tadamon



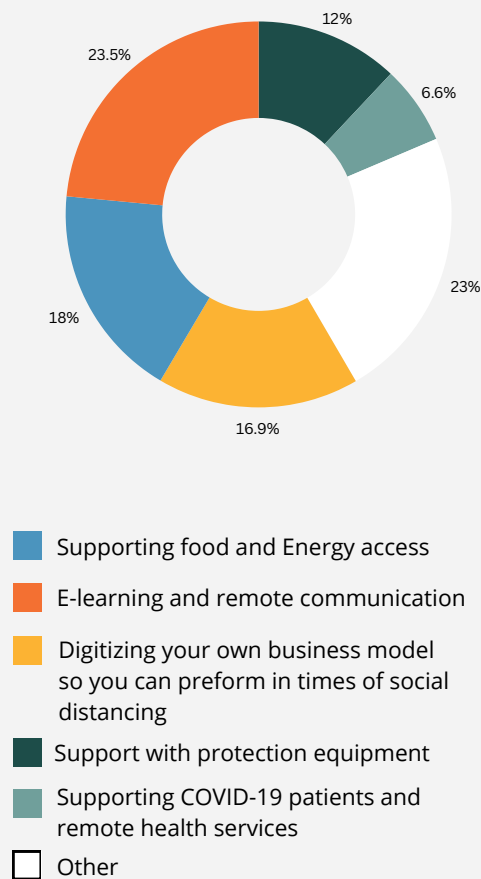
Annual Budget of Mapped CSOs



SDGs that best describe the activities of mapped CSOs



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





Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Nigeria

Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Nigeria took place between November 2023 and March 2024. During the Tadamon Crowdfunding Academy in Nigeria, 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 Nigeria as trustworthy and reliable partners.

EHealth360 Ltd	Education	ehealth360ng@gmail.com
Serendipity Healthcare Foundation	Health	serenhealthcare@gmail.com
Environmental and Rural Mediation Centre	Climate Change	envirumedic12@yahoo.co.uk
The Productive Youths Development Initiative	Youth Empowerment	pydinitiative@gmail.com
Novel Alliance for Development Aid	Renewable Energy	infnada.org.ng@gmail.com
Youths Enterprise Development & Innovation Society	Youth Empowerment	info@yedis.org
Center for Peace Advocacy and Sustainable Development	Peacebuilding	igweshiaustine@gmail.com
Today for Tomorrow	Youth Empowerment	adekzoe@gmail.com
Creative Media Centre For Development	Youth Empowerment	akufaijonah@gmail.com
Cedar Seed Foundation	Education	cedarseedfoundation@gmail.com
Jewels Trust Fund	Other	jewelstrustfund@gmail.com
Rise To Inspire Africa Initiative	WASH	ria.initiative@gmail.com
Nkafamiya Rescue Mission	Poverty Alleviation	vandi@nrmission.org
Natsa Foni Foundation	Poverty Alleviation	nfonifoundation@gmail.com
Swift Relief Foundation	Poverty Alleviation	info@swiftrelief.org
Enike Adama Initiative	Education	enikeadama@gmail.com
Karis and Eleos Hand of Hope Foundation	Other	info@karisandeleos.org
Future Resilience and Development Foundation	Health	iishaku25@fradfoundation.org
Girls Education Mission International	Health	admin@girlseducationmission.org
Africa Media Development Foundation	Agricultural and Rural Development	sdadik@amdf-centre.org
Theodora Anavhe Adamu Foundation	Youth empowerment	taafoundation01@gmail.com
Raising Star Africa Foundation	STEM Education	Thompson.michael543@gmail.com
Green Generation Initiative	Health	info@greengeneration.org.ng
Youth Orphans and Widows Empowerment-YOWE registered as EL -VOW Foundation	Youth empowerment	johneric664@yahoo.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

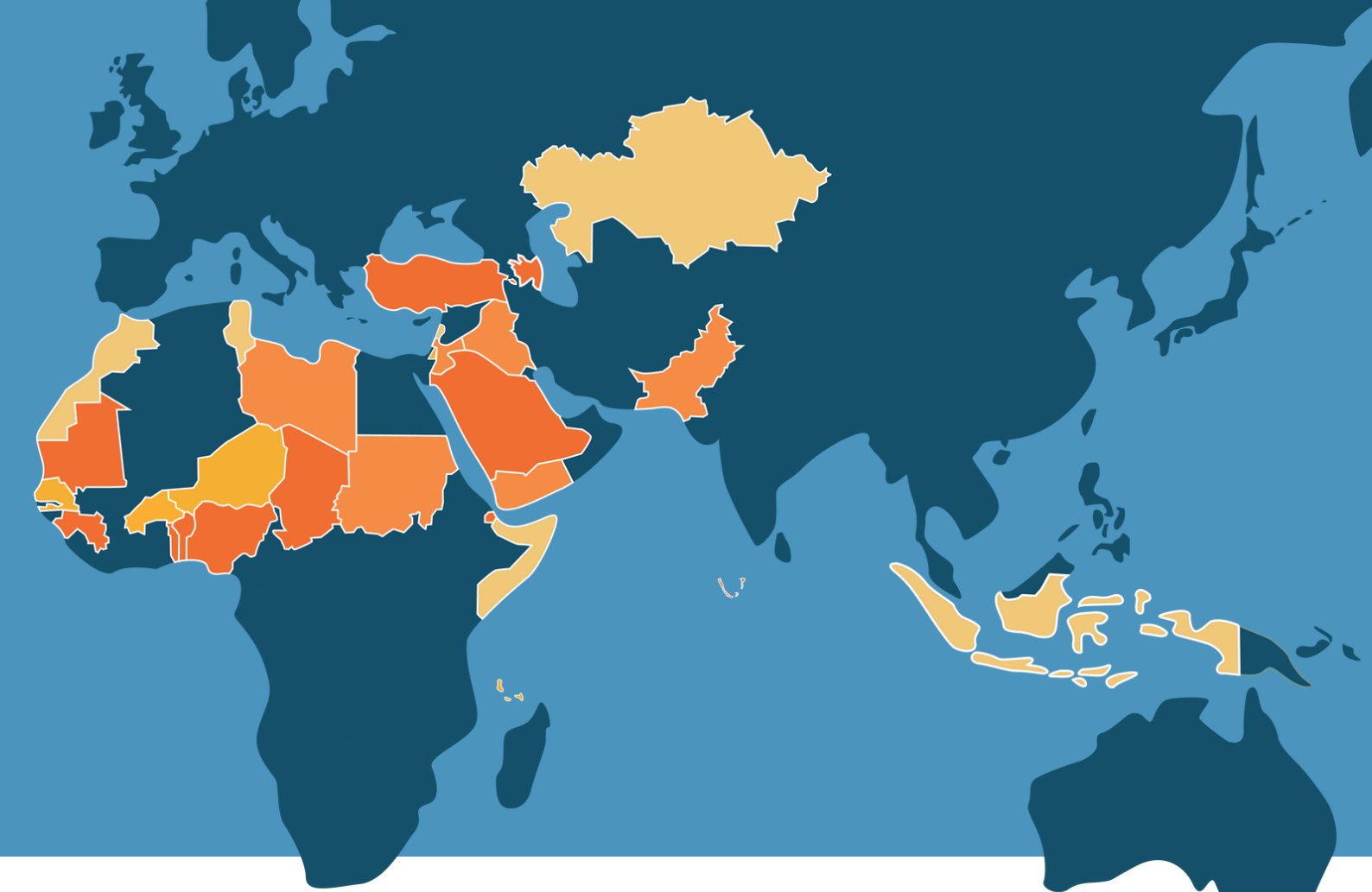


www.alawn.org

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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