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DSPR Jordan is a non-profit organization founded in 1951 to provide services to Palestinian Refugees residing in Jordan. It continues its mission today by offering vocational training, education, direct assistance, and psychosocial services to Palestinian, Iraqi's and Syrian refugees through its centers located around the country.

This newsletter provides an update of activities conducted in January and February 2018 within the fund available.



Start Your Business Training Workshops (SYB)

Due to the importance of these workshops within livelihood program of Syrian refugees, DSPR conducted (4) SYB training workshops for (100) Syrian women at Talbiah, Souf, Irbid, and Amman (Hashmi) governorates. This year, these workshops witnessed more focus on what after the training workshops the graduates will do, how DSPR can support them in establishing their own businesses and how this can be connected to the Small Medium enterprises project supported by ICCO & KerkinActie.



Training Workshops within ACT SYR 181 project

During the reporting period, and within ACT SYR 181 project ,DSPR Jordan conducted the following activities:

Program	Activities	Location	Target Group	Beneficiaries
Life Skills	6	Husn,Zarqa,Souf,Talbiah	Syrian Women	240
Women Forums	4	Husn,Zarqa,Souf,Talbiah	Syrian Women	160
Youth Forums	4	Husn,Zarqa,Souf,Talbiah	Syrian Women	160
Capacity Building of CBO's and CRO's	4	Husn,Zarqa,Irbid,Zarqa	CBO's and CRO'S Rep	80
Community development of CBO's and CRO's	4	Husn,Zarqa,Irbid,Zarqa	CBO's and CRO'S Rep	80
Capacity Building for volunteers on health security	1	North and Middle Governorates	Voluntary Teams	40



DSPR/Jordan and, ICCO/KerkinActie (I&K) cooperate to structurally contribute to the strengthening of the Jordan SME eco-system with the goal to enhance livelihood for both the Jordan host community as well as Syrian/Iraqi refugees of different backgrounds, as a form of sustainable aid.

Rationale

The project addresses the gap between the business potential of refugees and the lack of options to render this potential into business development, as well as the social divide between host and refugee communities. From an NGO perspective efforts are being taken to train refugees and hosts in (re-)starting up a business. Assets of loan and capital however are neither hardly available nor are business development services and technical assistance. These two elements are the backbone of the pilot project that DSPR Jordan and I&K undertake. After assigning Business Development Manager for this project, the following steps were taken into action progress of this project is highlighted below:

- 1- TOR for the project was prepared
- 2- Met with different Organizations
- 3- Prepared application forms in both Arabic and English
- 4- Launched a pilot project aiming to provide 5 entrepreneurs with loans without interest with a ticket size of 30,000 Euro per entrepreneur
- 5- Disseminated Applications for interested parties
- 6- Arranged translation of applications from Arabic to English
- 7- Loan agreement was prepared
- 8- Evaluation sheets were prepared (Admin check and technical assessment)
- 9- Started Evaluation

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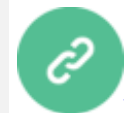
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