

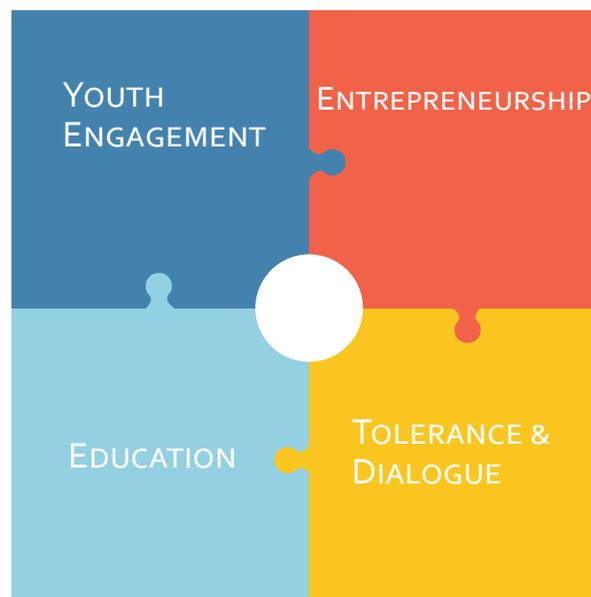


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Through cooperation based on mutual respect, Eurasia Foundation (EF) helps emerging leaders respond to local challenges and achieve enduring outcomes for their communities. For more than a decade, EF has worked across the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region to empower youth and build community-based networks to develop innovative and localized development solutions.

EF offers digital learning, new educational approaches, and cutting-edge training models that build core leadership and critical thinking skills while encouraging social innovation and entrepreneurship. We collaborate with civil society organizations, universities, entrepreneurs, teachers, and community leaders across the region to build lasting partnerships.



CORE Services

- Localized Curriculum Development
- Training and Facilitation
- Online Training and Networking
- Mentoring and Coaching

Project Highlights

EF is enhancing higher education reform in Jordan by deepening and sustaining university partnerships between Jordan and the U.S. with mutual benefits to higher education institutions in both countries. Since fall 2016, with the generous support of the U.S. Embassy in Amman, EF has been assessing linkages between Jordanian and U.S. universities and has created a road map for developing robust, long-term institutional partnerships. We have also examined the regulatory and enabling environment in Jordan for internationalization. This assessment will inform strategies for catalyzing new partnerships in priority development areas, including water, refugees, entrepreneurship, and innovation, and will set a clear path for sustained academic cooperation. EF is creating a network of Jordanian and U.S. universities to foster long term bilateral cooperation.

In 2015, EF launched n-mu (“I grow” in Arabic) to promote active citizenship and among diverse youth living in Kuwait. We designed an interactive curriculum—in Arabic and English—on citizenship, critical thinking, media literacy, and advocacy. An intensive Training of Trainers approach that combined subject-matter expertise with facilitation and coaching skills prepared a cohort of Kuwaiti youth leaders to train other youth in the curriculum. Through our dynamic and experiential learning model, youth improved their advocacy, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills, and developed innovative and creative solutions to address local needs. Youth participants worked in teams to design projects on issues they were passionate about, such as tolerance and diversity, physical and mental health, environmental protection, and economic development. Overall, the program engaged more than 15,000 individuals, spread positive messages about active citizenship to a broader swath of Kuwaiti society, and inspired a community of engaged youth.

In 2014, EF partnered with the Arab Center for the Rule of Law and Integrity (ACRLI) in Lebanon on a Middle East Bankruptcy Reform Initiative for Egypt and Jordan. We assisted ACRLI in devising effective advocacy strategies to advance locally-articulated reform priorities in both countries and collaborated with local partners to identify and map key stakeholder positions, develop campaign strategies and guide advocacy efforts on key reform priorities.



Jordan Creating Pathways to University Partnerships



Youth Critical Thinking Project



Middle East Bankruptcy Reform Initiative

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