

EU Partnership for Peace Programme

The EU and the Middle East Peace Process

Resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict is a strategic priority for Europe. Heeding the aspirations of the people in the region, including those of Palestinians for statehood and those of Israelis for security is a crucial element for lasting peace, stability and prosperity in the region. The EU's central objective is a two-state solution resulting in an agreement on all final status issues, ending all claims with an independent, democratic, contiguous, viable Palestinian state living side-by-side in peace, security and mutual recognition with Israel and its other neighbours.

The EU – with the UN, the US and the Russian Federation – is a member of the 'Quartet' supporting a comprehensive peace agreement, based on the relevant UN Security Council Resolutions, the Madrid principles including land for peace, the Roadmap, the agreements previously reached by the parties and the Arab Peace Initiative.

The EU Partnership for Peace programme

The EU Partnership for Peace (EUPfP) programme promotes the values of peace, tolerance and non-violence. The aims of the programme are to contribute to an environment favourable to peace in the Middle East and the resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; build trust and understanding between societies in the region; and offer, through its supported projects, concrete examples illustrating a better future.

The programme operates at the civil society level, supporting initiatives which have an impact on people's everyday lives. By demonstrating the advantages of working together for mutual benefit and tangible results, the programme builds confidence in a shared future.

Projects are generally initiated by Israeli, Palestinian and Jordanian organizations, but also include partnerships with European and other regional actors. EUPfP projects focus on political and social dialogue; engagement and empowerment of women, youth and marginalized groups; environment, trade, technological and health co-operation, and other areas.

EUPfP facts and figures

- The EUPfP annual budget ranges between 5 and 10 million euros.
- The number of selected projects varies from 12 to 25 for each Call for Proposals.

- The EU contribution can range between 100,000 and 500,000 euros per project.
- The maximum EU contribution is 80% of the total project budget.
- The maximum duration for a project is 36 months.

LIST OF ON GOING PROJECTS

Call for Proposals 2013 (133-831)

Title	Grant Beneficiary	Partner/s	Starting date/End date	Total amount/EU contribution EUR	Summary
Regional capacity building for disaster management -RegDis	Ben Gurion University of the Negev (BGU) (IL)	Jordan Red Crescent (PS) Green Land Society for Health Development (PS) Magen David Adom (IL)	01/03/2014 28/02/2017	495,209 396,167	The project aims to develop capacity and resilience of rural communities in Jordan, Palestine and Israel to cope with disasters, including cross-border collaboration in emergency response.

Provision of sustainable energy services to the communities of the South Hebron Hills in Area C of the West Bank	Comet-ME (IL)	-	01/01/2014 31/12/2015	620,114 486,913	The aim of the project is to promote the possibility of the Two State Solution through joint concrete actions of Jews and Arabs working together to promote socio-economic development of marginalized Palestinian communities in Area C.
The Arabic Language in the Public Sphere in Israel: The Academic Campus and Beyond	Dirasat Arab Center for Law and Policy (IL)	Sikkuy: The Association for the Advancement of Civic Equality (IL) Van Leer Jerusalem Institute (VLJI) (IL)	01/01/2014 30/06/2016	458,115 366,492	The aim of the project is to use the Arabic language as a tool for promoting peace, equality and tolerance in Israel.
Across Two Narratives: The Israeli-Palestinian Parallel Narrative Experience	Parents Circle- Families Forum (IL)	-	01/01/2014 31/12/2015	599,444 479,555	The overall objective of this action is to drive a reconciliation process among Israelis and Palestinians as a necessary catalyst for a negotiated agreement.

Sustainable Energy, Sustainable Peace: A cross-border biogas program for socio-economic development of rural Palestinian communities in Area C.	The Peres Center for Peace (IL)	Palestinian Wildlife Society (PS)	01/01/2014 31/12/2015	587,575 470,060	The overall objective of the project is to facilitate concrete cooperation and professional partnerships between Israeli and Palestinian environmental civil society in order to build mutual trust, capacity for conflict resolution and launch joint development initiatives amongst communities marginalized by the conflict.
B4D – Developing a Common Vision for Peace within Israel	UNDP/PAPP	Interpeace	01/01/2014 31/12/2015	617,865 494,292	The overall objective of the project is to contribute to the development of a common vision for peace within the Israeli society, as a solid foundation for peaceful – sustainable future solution with Palestinians.
Building capacity and sustainability for a Palestinian-Israeli negotiated final status agreement	Palestinian Peace Coalition (PS)	H.L. Education for Peace – Geneva Initiative (IL) Centro Italiano per la Pace in Medio Oriente (CIPMO) (IT)	02/01/2014 01/01/2016	491,569 393,255	The project aims to maintain and increase support among Israeli and Palestinian public for a negotiated final-status agreement, and build capacity for dealing with the conflict among specific target groups, in order to produce long-term change in attitudes, stereotypes and approaches to conflict resolution.

Addressing Israeli Actions and its Land Policies in the oPt	Applied Research Institute Jerusalem (PS)	Land Research Center (PS) Kerem Navot (IL)	04/06/2014 03/12/2016	621,300 497,040	The project monitors, analyses and documents all Israel's actions and land policies in Palestine, with the aim to disseminate the collected information to key stakeholders, and advocate for a better environment for peace.
Building sustainable peace through API: regional civil society initiative	The Center for Democracy and Community Development (PS)	Negev Institute for Strategies of Peace and Development (IL) IKV Pax Christi (NL) United Religions Initiative (JO)	02/01/2014 01/01/2016	571,128 456,902	The project works to advance the API at three levels by: 1. facilitating the creation of a dedicated cadre of policy/decision-makers in Palestine, Israel, and the Middle East committed to the API; 2. strengthening the regional civil society network for the support of Middle East peace and security; 3. creating new cadres of youth and marginalized groups for the support of the API in Israel and in the region.
Promoting Israeli Palestinian cross border cooperation in nature conservation and eco-tourism	Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung (DE)	Palestinian Wildlife Society (PS) Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel (IL)	02/01/2014 01/01/2017	563,654 450,923	The project aims to raise institutional and professional capacity of Palestinian organisations and individuals for the conservation and sustainable management of natural assets, as a contribution to the viability of a Two States Solution.
Builders of Peace: refugee youth forum	Lajoon Center Association (PS)	-	19/12/2013 18/12/2016	393,326 314,660	The project aims to instil a stronger peace culture among Palestinian refugee communities by enhancing the role and strengthening the influence of Palestinian peace builders and peace movements. It also aims to challenge and change stereotypes on impossibility of peaceful resolutions to the conflict.

Call for Proposals 2012

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Grassroots Activists for Just Peace and Gender Equality	CARE Österreich (AU)	Women's Affairs Technical Committee (WATC) (PS)	01/01/2013 31/12/2014	669,350 468,545	In the spirit of UNSCR 1325 and 1820, the project aims at enhancing women involvement in order to mobilize communities for building peace and security in 30 conflict- affected communities in Palestine. Women (and men) in those marginalised communities are reached out through the WATC's network and empowered through intensive training. Advocacy action at media and political level, are also undertaken.
Palestinian Youth Promoting National Reconciliation between Conflicting Parties in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip by Advocating for Internal Dialogue	Save Youth Future Society (PS)	Juzoor For Health and Social Development (PS)	15/01/2013 14/01/2015	645,487 499,755	The objective of the action is to empower youth in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to achieve a sustainable national reconciliation process by promoting peace education as well as dialogue and mutual understanding between conflicting partners. The targeted youth will go through an Intensive program on peace education, dialogue and national reconciliation so as for them to carry out mobilisation and advocacy campaigns.

and Mutual Understanding					
Media for peace building in Palestine	Elamona for Media Research and Development (PS)	-	07/01/2013 06/01/2015	272,022 217,617	The action will build Palestinian (both in the West Bank and Gaza) journalists, independent media outlets, media professionals' capacity on effective media work for promoting peace building, social cohesion, non-violence. The trainees will then create media products, such as TV and radio programmes, articles, etc. promoting a culture of peace and mutual understanding.
Addressing fear: strengthening the nonviolent alternative	NOVA –Centre per a la Innovació Social (ES)	Coalition of Women for Peace (IL); The Popular Struggle Coordination Committee (PS); Al-Quds University (PS)	01/01/2013 31/03/2014	498,435 355,130	The action aims at increasing human security of communities directly affected by the conflict in the West Bank, through the creation of a Conflict Early Warning Early Response System (CEWERS) network of 13 communities able to ensure respect for rights of individuals and communities.
Towards a Shared Society: Changing Perceptions and Attitudes through an innovative educational program that emphasizes universal values	Hagar Association: Jewish-Arab Education for Equality (IL)	Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (IL)	10/03/2013 09/03/2016	322,518 258,015	The project aims to reduce prejudices and biases among teachers, children and their families in order to create the necessary infrastructure needed for a negotiated solution and coexistence in the Middle East.
Medicine in the	Peres Centre	The Palestine Red	01/01/2013	624,054	The project aims to facilitate opportunities for

Service of Peace – A cross-border Israeli-Palestinian Professional Medical Cooperation Program	for Peace (IL)	Crescent Society (PS)	30/06/2015	499,244	concrete cooperation and professional partnership between the Israeli and Palestinian healthcare systems in order to promote peace and confidence building between the two communities, and broaden the base of support for a negotiated solution of the conflict through building mutual trust and capacity for conflict resolution.
Renewed Jewish-Arab Relations in Israel – a Dialogue Platform	The Citizens Accord Forum between Jews and Arabs in Israel (IL)	N/A	01/01/2013 31/12/2014	643,070 469,505	The project aims to facilitate tangible progress towards a transformative solution of the core issues and episodic problems of the conflict between Jews and Arabs within Israel, aiming at reaching agreements on a variety of issues under dispute through use of Applied Deliberative Dialogue
Connecting through Technology: Building effective engagement between the Arab communities of the Triangle region and Israel’s technology industry sector	Tsofen High Technology Centers (IL)	Injaz Center for Professional Arab Local Governance (IL)	01/01/2013 31/12/2014	714,335 500,000	The project aims to build an effective engagement between the Arab communities of the Triangle region and Israel’s technology industry sector, creating a model for economic sustainability, a more dignified quality of life for Arab communities, and a more even playing field for Jewish-Arab relations in Israel.
Creating an Israeli Action Plan for the Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000)	Itach – Maaki – Women Lawyers for Social Justice (IL)	Centre for the Women in the Public Sphere (WIPS) at the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute (IL) Agenda, Israeli Center for Strategic	01/01/2013 31/12/2014	542,291 441,202	The project aims to produce an Israeli Action Plan based on a revised and expanded conceptualization of “security” to include gender perspectives and diverse women’s voices, in light of the principles of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325.

		Communication (IL)			
The Heart of the Matter	Save a Child's Heart (IL)	Seeds of Peace (IL)	01/01/13 31/12/14	1,000,000 500,000	The objective of the project is to increase encounters between Israelis and Palestinians, focused on improving paediatric health care in Palestine and saving lives of children.
Peer-Leadership Programme for the promotion of non-violent conflict resolution, tolerance and mutual understanding	Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (DE)	Amman Center for Peace and Development (JO)	14/12/2012 13/06/2015	703,990 500,000	The overall objective to contribute to a positive change in attitudes towards the "other" among the youth of Israel, Palestine and Jordan. The specific objective of the action is to reinforce the capacities and dialogue between youth, teachers and local CBOs on non-violent conflict resolution.

Call for Proposals 2010

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Sustainable Planning as a Tool to Promote Dialogue and Cooperation between Palestinians and Israelis	The Arab Center for Alternative Planning Association (ACAP) (IL)	Applied Research Institute – Jerusalem (ARIJ) (PS)	01/12/2011 01/12/2014	419,888 335,910	The aim of this project is to bring Arab and Jewish Israelis together with Palestinians to share experiences, engage in dialogue on sustainable planning processes, and work together to develop a 'Sustainable Planning Guidelines Document'.
Tourism: Using economic growth and cross-border cooperation to strengthen	Gilboa Regional Council (IL)	-	01/01/2012 31/10/2015	605,333 302,667	The overall objective of the project is to build a tourism industry in the Gilboa-Jenin regions that attracts Israeli, Palestinian and international tourists, creates a sense of trust and community between Israelis and Palestinians.

coexistence					
Partners in Business, Partners in Peace: Increasing Capacities for Israeli-Palestinian Business Cooperation	The Peres Center for Peace (IL)		01/02/2012 01/02/2014	572,621 458,097	The project aims to enhance Israeli-Palestinian business and economic relations with an emphasis on increasing the level of Palestinian exports to Israel, and maximizing the business potential for both sides.
Breaking New Ground in Community Economic Development	Tel Aviv University (TAU) (IL)	Arous Elbahr (IL) El Rabita (IL)	01/12/2011 01/12/2014	536,101 428,881	The project aims to contribute to reducing the poverty gap in Israel, which is a major root cause for ongoing tensions between communities. Innovative community economic development strategies will be developed in order to encourage cross-community and cross-sector cooperation.
Neighbours United: Peace Leadership for Today and Tomorrow	Hapoel Tel-Aviv Education and Society (IL)	-	01/03/2012 01/03/2015	584,377 467,502	The project aims to use a common love of football to promote opportunities for face-to-face cooperation between Israelis and Palestinians in each society's marginalised populations. Young people will be trained in youth leadership and sport as a means of professional training and peaceful coexistence.
From Margins to Mainstream – Fostering Jewish Palestinian Partnership Practices in Israeli Communities	Sadaka Reut – Arab Jewish Youth Partnership (IL)	Mahapach-Taghir (IL) Oxfam GB (UK)	01/12/2011 01/06/2014	542,250 387,166	The project aims to contribute to a more equitable and just society in Israel and promote peace building between Israelis and Palestinians through conflict transformation and partnership.
Knowing the Other through Publishing Valid, Comprehensive and Objective	Palestinian Forum for Israeli Studies (MADAR) (PS)	-	01/12/2011 30/11/2014	510,701 360,000	The project aims to disseminate information in Palestine about Israeli socio-political issues through a website, a supplement in the Al-Ayyam daily newspaper, and annual strategic reports, written by Palestinian and Israeli authors and

Information about Israel and the Israeli Society					lectures.
Addressing the Geopolitical Changes in the Occupied Palestinian Territory	Applied Research Institute Jerusalem (PS)	Land Research Center (PS)	04/10/2011 03/06/2014	499,021 399,217	The project aims to continue monitoring and recording all land issues in Palestine including land confiscations, obstructions, house demolitions and borders through the use of GIS systems. Information is provided to international community, including EU Members States and other stakeholders, negotiators, Palestinian Authority, etc.
So Far So Close III - Conflict transformation in the most marginalized areas of the West Bank	Associazione Comunità Papa Giovanni XXIII - Condivisione fra i Popoli (IT)	Alternative Information Centre (IL)	01/11/2011 31/10/2014	464,503 371,602	The project aims to monitor activities of settlers and the IDF in the South Hebron Hills, in support of the local popular committee which has adopted a non-violent approach to resist the occupation. The information on settlers and IDF violations gathered during the daily accompanying work are provided to human rights NGOs and media.
Education and Communications for Tolerance, Dialogue and Internal Reconciliation in the Palestinian Territories	Association of Society Voice for Social and Developing Work (PS)	-	01/11/2011 31/10/2014	299,750 239,800	The project aims to empower the role of young people seeking a strategic peaceful change by building a coalition of at least 50 Community Based Organisations which rely on concepts and practices of peace building, reconciliation, tolerance and non-violence.
Good Water Neighbours: building foundations for peace through education and practical actions that promote just and efficient management of	Friends of the Earth Middle East (PS/IL/JO)	-	01/11/2011 30/04/2014	999,949 500,000	1500 Jewish and Palestinian youth in communities which run along the border of IL/PAL will jointly participate in environmental awareness and educational activities for protecting water resources. Action includes teaching youth how to use GIS systems.

trans-boundary water resources					
PATENT 'Partnership for Advocacy, Technology and Entrepreneurship'	Qeiadat Association (PA)	The Galilee Society (IL)	01/11/2011 31/10/2014	636,395 500,000	The project aims to develop Palestinian R&D capacity by providing for joint work with Israeli academics and involvement in the Galilee research centre (for Arab R&D academics) in Israel.
Fair Trade, Fair Peace	Cooperazione Per Lo Sviluppo Dei Paesi Emergenti (IT)	Sindyanna of Galilee for Progress and Development(IL) Bethlehem Fair Trade Artisans Association (PA) Cooperativa Sociale "Commercio Equo e Solidale" (IT) Consorzio Iniziative Sociali (IT) Province of Ancona (IT)	01/03/2012 31/08/2014	626,911 500,000	Through development of fair trade handicraft and commercialisation, the project aims at improving dialogue and cooperation between Palestinian and Arab Israeli craftsmen as well as to provide economic opportunities for marginalised producers in Bethlehem and Kufr Manda
Supporting Cross-Community Activism Among Separated Palestinian Communities	The British Council (UK)	MA'AN Development Centre (PS) Arab Association for Human Rights (IL)	01/09/2012 31/08/2015	624,934 499,947	Young women and men aged 18-30 from Palestinian communities in the West Bank, Israel, and Jordan will engage through needs-based, shared development projects that they themselves define and manage. Particularly targeted are certain veto communities (e.g. rights-based groups of refugees advocating for the implementation of Resolution 181, groups

		SEEDS (UK) Faith Matters (UK)			who do not recognise Israel, etc.). They will learn from each other, become exposed to each others' realities, and exchange experiences with each other drawing from UK expertise (i.e. in community conflict resolution) where appropriate and relevant.
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- DE Germany
- ES Spain
- FR France
- IL Israel
- IT Italy
- JO Jordan
- NL Netherlands
- OPT Occupied Palestinian Territory
- PS Palestine
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