

**Dear Friends,**

**Partners-Jordan** gladly shares with you the Fourth edition of the electronic newsletter for the year 2011, to give you a quick view on its achievements throughout the past year, with a glimpse on the updates on the main projects: “Youth Mediation as a Tool of Conflict Resolution”, and “Empowering Women through Economic Mentorship”, between the periods October – December, 2011.

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## Partners-Jordan 2011 work in Numbers

### Projects implemented by Partners-Jordan in 2011

**THREE** Funded Projects by International Donors (AED-USAID, MEPI, EC)

**SEVEN** Local & Regional Consultancies & Training Agreements

### Training conducted by Partners-Jordan in 2011

**SEVEN** Training conducted by PJ as activities within the funded projects

**TWENTY-EIGHT** Local & Regional training conducted through consultancy service

**FOUR** Training received by Partners-Jordan team through other organizations



1. Number of participants trained by Partners-Jordan **Regionally** (equals **555** persons)
2. Number of participants trained by Partners-Jordan **Locally** (equals **328** persons)

### Sessions

**TWO** Brainstorming Sessions

**TEN** Focus Groups Discussions on Women's Economic Participation

**NINE** Mentoring Activities for women in unprivileged areas and for Partners-Jordan staff

**ONE** **Regional Conference** on Anti Corruption

**TWO** **Open days** in two universities (North & South of Jordan)

**TEN** **Representations / Participation** of Partners-Jordan Regionally & Internationally

## Partners-Jordan Projects Activities

### “Empowering Women through Economic Mentorship”

This project is funded by the **European Commission**, and implemented in cooperation with **Partners for Democratic Change International – PDCI**, for the period 2011-2013.

#### **Training of Trainers:**

As part of the above mentioned project; Partners – Jordan conducted five-day training of trainers on November 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, in Amman, for 12 women from unprivileged areas, and 4 local authorities from different areas in Jordan, in order to develop their knowledge and skills on the legal component, project management, and gender Budgeting and also to provide an introduction to training of trainers methodologies.

This activity aims at increasing the capacity of vulnerable women to engage in sustainable economic initiatives at local level, through targeted skill training in legal, project management and gender budgeting frameworks.



### “Youth Mediation as a Tool of Conflict Resolution”

This project is made possible with a grant from **Civil Society Program - CSP**, implemented by the **Academy for Educational Development – AED**, and funded by **USAID**, for the period 2010-2012.

#### **Open Days in Irbid & Ma’an:**



Under the activity “implementation of generated ideas to spread awareness and incubating mediation services in the Jordan University of Science and Technology in Irbid, and in the Hussein Bin Talal University in Ma’an”; Partners – Jordan coordinated with the mediation committee in each university the implementation of an open day on November 29<sup>th</sup> in Irbid, and 30<sup>th</sup> in Ma’an.

The aim of this activity is to inform the university students about mediation service, and its benefits, in addition to recognize youth mediators among their peers in each university.

## Partners-Jordan Consultancies

### Mediation Training:

Partners-Jordan has been consulted by **Penal Reform International** to train on Mediation for 25 Police Officers, for five days between December 4<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> 2011.

### Advocacy Training:

Partners-Jordan has been consulted by the **Higher Council for the Affairs of People with Disability**, to train 28 participants in 5-day on Cooperative Advocacy skills, between the 11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of December, 2011.

As a first step, Partners-Jordan has conducted focus group discussion prior to the training to talk about the most common cases for People with Disability in Jordan, in order to have a customized training afterwards.

## Partners-Jordan Participation



Partners-Jordan participated in the **Fourth Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption** between October 24<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in Marrakesh – Morocco.

The conference adopted several resolutions such as: Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption, Convening of open-ended intergovernmental expert meetings to enhance international cooperation, Marrakech declaration on the prevention of corruption, International cooperation in asset recovery, Participation of signatories, non-signatories, entities and intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Implementation Review Group, Venue for the seventh session of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption and Venue for the



sixth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, and the Non-governmental organizations and the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

Further information can be found through the following link:

<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/treaties/CAC/CAC-COSP-session4-resolutions.html>



Partners-Jordan participated in the **Citizens and Civil Society to Governments “Make Budgets Public Now!”** effort on November 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in Dar Es Salam – Tanzania.

Nearly 100 civil society groups from as many countries and 12 international organizations, including the International Budget Partnership, Greenpeace, and the ONE Campaign, launched a global effort to make public budgets transparent, participatory, and accountable. The effort centers on building an integrated and vibrant movement of organizations will work at the local, national, and international level to promote government budgeting that is open and accountable to the public.

More information can be found though: [www.makebudgetspublic.org](http://www.makebudgetspublic.org)



Partners-Jordan participated in the Civil Society Dialogue Network: Middle East and North Africa: on **The Role of Civil Society in Institutional Reform**, with the European Peace building Liaison Office – EPLO, on the 30<sup>th</sup>, of November in Brussels.

Following to the discussion; Partners-Jordan has met on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December (also in Brussels) with the EU MENA representatives to prepare **priorities needed in the region for EU Support**.



Partners-Jordan participated in a conference organized by the National Democratic Institute – NDI, on **enhancing the cooperation between Civil Society and Parliamentarians**, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of December in Amman



Partners-Jordan participated in a Mentors’ Retreat, under the title **“Creating a Pool of Qualitative Research Mentors”**, under the project Stakeholder Feedback Project, implemented by the Academy for Education Development between the period December 10<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011, in Amman.



Partners-Jordan participated in the Societal Participation in Anti Corruption and Prospects for Enhancing related Mechanisms in the Arab Countries, which was organized by the UNDP, and the Arab anti Corruption and Integrity Network, in Fas – Morocco, between the 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of December, 2011



**Partners-Jordan team wishes you a successful 2012**

**Vision:**

Prosperity can be achieved through responsible participative citizenship

**Mission:**

Partners-Jordan, is a Jordanian not for profit organization, committed to advance civil society, promoting mediation, conflict management and culture of change, and encouraging citizen participation in Jordan's social and political development.

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