



Capacity Development

Providing tools and knowledge on conflict transformation



Despite the violent past and present of Lebanon and despite an abundance of local and national NGOs working in a variety of sectors, there is a lack of in depth expertise in how to transform and deal with conflicts peacefully and lastingly. There is however, a clear interest in acquiring and applying such skills, and a very active and committed growing civil society made up of various organisations, groups and individual activists.

Our approach

The goal of the project is to provide support for conflict transformation and peace-building projects and conflict-sensitive development and humanitarian work through skill and capacity development. This is achieved by providing training, offering follow-up activities after training – mentoring and coaching – and the development and implementation of joint projects.

What we do

The Capacity Development programme of forumZFD has developed a portfolio of trainings which are given to partner organisations all over Lebanon. The trainings include the following topics:

- Reflection on Peace Practice (RPP)
- Conflict analysis
- Mediation and negotiation
- Conflict sensitivity and Do No Harm
- Non-violent-communication and body language



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- Non-violent-activism
- Dealing with memories
- Project cycle management
- Project design and proposal writing
- Follow up and monitoring measures are an integral part of all trainings by forumZFD

forumZFD creates learning spaces where theory meets practice. In our projects, mentoring of the trainees and application of the acquired skills are part and parcel of the trainings. The methodologies used in our trainings are contextualised to the local environment. In 2017, together with ARCPA Al Jana, forumZFD created a trainer pool with 10 to 15 staff members from NGOs and individuals. They were trained in relevant conflict transformation methodologies and tools.

Our theories of change

If we conduct trainings in all regions of Lebanon, this will increase dissemination and application of methods of conflict transformation and enhance the capability of NGOs to work in a conflict sensitive way and transform violent conflicts in Lebanon into positive peace.

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