



SEED FUNDING

for grass root initiatives on youth engagement in peace and democratic processes in the Euro-Mediterranean region

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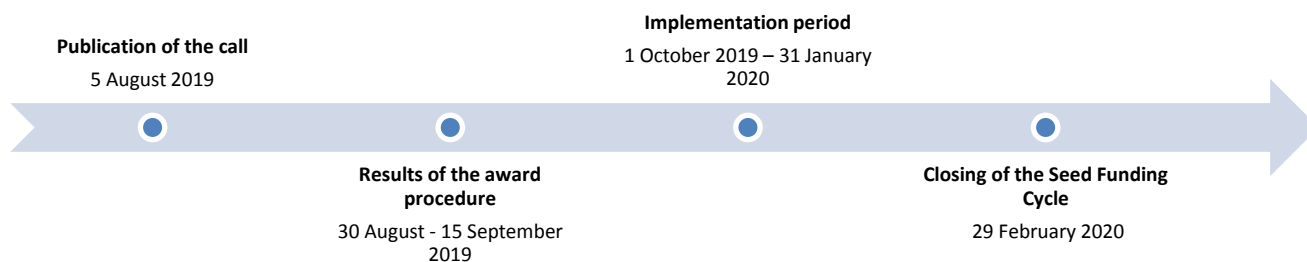


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GENERAL OVERVIEW

This call for proposals was launched, in the framework of the Joint Programme of the European Union and the Council of Europe “Ensuring sustainable democratic governance and human rights in the Southern Mediterranean” (South Programme III - 2018-2020), following the [key findings and recommendations of the 2018 Lisbon Forum](#) on “Youth, Peace and Security in the Euro-Mediterranean region” which took place on the 15-16 November in Lisbon.



THE AIMS

The seed funding grants will fund youth-led projects designed to implement the key findings of the 2018 Lisbon Forum on “youth, peace and security” by either youth-led organisations whose work is focused on youth, peace and security or those who wish to develop this/ese topic(s).

The call aims to co-fund regional and/or local projects which promote youth engagement in peace, security and democratic processes in the Euro-Mediterranean region. In particular, it aims at recognizing the role of young people in democratic promotion, social cohesion, peace building – all elements within the youth, peace and security (YPS) agenda. Young people’s courage, creativity, innovation, resilience and efforts constitute the “connecting tissue” to bridge the different levels of engagement toward a sustainable peace.

THE BENEFICIARIES

Association and Project	Means of Actions
MAAT For Peace, Development and Human Rights (Egypt): <i>Promoting the role of youth in peace and security in the Southern Mediterranean</i>	Creation of a 5 days youth forum in Egypt, entitled “ <i>Peace Makers Forum</i> ”, aimed at preventing youth violent extremism and promoting a culture of peace.
Youth Empowerment Society – YES (Morocco): <i>Get Heard Plus</i>	Project aimed at strengthening women’s advocacy capacities to defend women’s right and raise awareness on sexual harassment and assault in Morocco.
AICEM (Italy-Palestine*): <i>From Witness to Actor: capacity building path to change the narrative about youth, with a specific focus on their contribution to youth, peace and security</i>	Project aimed at creating a structured education format for young people to be active actors in the field of advocacy for YPS.

* Cette dénomination ne saurait être interprétée comme une reconnaissance d’un État de Palestine et est sans préjudice de la position de chaque État membre du Conseil de l’Europe sur cette question.