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## CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS ANNOTATED LIST OF ATTENDANCE

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## 1- CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATION FROM EUROPEAN UNION PARTNER COUNTRIES

Organisation	Representative	Short description of mandate and projects	
	Algeria		
Association Djazairouna	Cherifa Kheddar President dajazairouna2004@yahoo.fr	http://www.djazairouna.ranahna.dz/	
Centre d'Information et de Documentation sur les Droits de l'Enfant et des Femmes (CIDDEF)	Nadia Aït Zaï President ciddefenfant@yahoo.fr contact@ciddef-dz nadia_ait@yahoo.com	Created in 2002, the Center for Information and Documentation on the Rights of Children and Women (CIDDEF), is a center that works for the <b>promotion and protection of children and women's rights</b> . CIDDEF's main objective is the elimination of any discrimination that persists against women and children in legislation and implementation. In order to achieve this aim, the centre develops awareness projects that educate and disperse information about human rights. CIDDEF also organizes seminars and conferences to develop advocacy campaigns to empower the public and inform the changes and expansion needed in public policy. In addition, CIDDEF receives children, in collaboration with schools who send the children to the centre. Lastly, CIDDEF wants to be a bridge between the community sector and government by the nature of the activities it develops. http://www.ciddef-dz.com/pages-index/index.php Créé en 2002, le Ciddef est un centre d'information et de documentation qui œuvre pour la promotion des droits de la femme et de l'enfant. Son objectif principal est la suppression de la discrimination qui persiste à l'égard des femmes et des enfants dans la législation et dans la pratique. Pour ce faire le CIDDEF développe des projets de sensibilisation et de vulgarisation des droits, notamment à travers ses activités d'accueil et d'écoute juridique. Le centre organise des séminaires et des journées d'études pour développer un plaidoyer en direction des pouvoirs public et les sensibiliser au changement et à l'élaboration des programmes politiques. Par ailleurs, le CIDDEF reçoit des enfants, en collaboration avec les écoles et collèges qui envoient leurs élèves vers le centre. Enfin, le CIDDEF se veut être une passerelle entre le mouvement associatif et les pouvoirs publics par la nature des activités qu'il développe.	
Association Feminine pour l'Epanouissement de la Personne et l'Exercice de la	Mounia Mansour President afepec@hotmail.com	http://www.mediterraneas.org/article.php3?id_article=332	

Citoyennete (AFEPEC)		
		Armenia
Helsinki Committee of Armenia	Avetik Ishkhanyan Chairman contact@caucasusinstitute.org	The Helsinki Committee of Armenia (HCA) human rights' NGO was founded in 1995. Our main activities include: monitoring of human rights, protection of rights of vulnerable groups (religious and national minorities, children, etc.), publication of the newsletter Observer (Ditord) on human rights situation in Armenia, and advocacy. As of 2005 special attention has been paid to human rights education programs. The programs are implemented through seminars, where 25-30 young activists and representatives of different NGOs from the regions of Armenia participate. Within the framework of the programs, young activists prepare reports, publish them and become HCA Network members. For implementation of this kind of projects, HCA has received support mainly from the European Union (EIDHR). Starting 2004 three big projects have been financed by EIDHR. "Human Rights – From Knowledge to Action" included monitoring of human rights in Armenia and publishing of "Ditord" (Observer) newsletter, as well as seminars on human rights and protection mechanism and legal consultancy in 10 communities. "Human Rights Education: Step by Step" was a series of lectures have been conducted among youth (NGOs representatives, students and volunteers) on philosophy of human rights, international protection mechanism, tolerance and monitoring of human rights tolerance. The present project is called "Step Ahead." http://www.armhels.org/index.php?lang=eng
Information & Educational Centre Contributing to Development of Local Government	Arevik Harutiunyan Chairman yerv@web.am szara@web.am	The Information Educational Center Contributing to the Development of Local Self-Government (IECCDLG) is a non-governmental organization working in Armenia since 2002. The mission of IECCDLG is to <b>support the governance's decentralization and democratization and to protect the human rights and civil interests in LSGBs</b> . The NGO implements its mission through information, consultancy and educational activities. Our main activities include : mass media activation regarding the governance's decentralization process, improvement of the legislative field related to RoA Law on Local Self Government systems, assist the citizen's involvement in the community governance's process, contribute to the reduction of human rights violations and other illegal practices against LSGB, and work to increase the role of women in LSGBs. Two of our EIDHR funded projects titled "Accountability to community" and "Active citizens as a protectors of their rights and community interests" are aimed at the reduction of the human rights violations and other illegal phenomena existing within LSGBs. A third project, "Local Self-Governance Club as Mass Media Assistance Tool" endeavors to reduce the factors which impede mass media and journalists in fostering the public awareness on the governance decentralization process.
Youth for Achievements	Andranik Martirosyan	"Youth For Achievements" Educational NGO (YFA) is self-governed, non-profit, non-governmental organization,

	Vice President yfa@yfa.am	originated and managed by the FLEX program alumni of Armenia since 1994 with the mission to promote ideas of democracy, freedom and humanism and provide assistance to our country. YFA has designed and implemented numerous projects during 16 years of its existence. Our projects are united by one important common feature: they offer innovative methods for gaining knowledge, acquiring skills and capacity building. Starting 2004 YFA has initiated two main projects funded within the EIDHR Program. "Interactive Human Rights" European Law Mooting Competition project was initiated in 2004. The Project provides university students with an opportunity to learn the process of applying to the European Court of Human Rights through organization of a mooting competition among teams of different higher education institutions based on a fake legal case. Another project funded within the EIDHR Program is "Youth Engaged in Society" School Debate club creation project. The project was initiated in 2004 and targets 103 schools of 12 cities and 5 villages of Armenia. It aims to establish and develop debate clubs for secondary and high school students through training teachers and
		organization of debate competitions on various levels: within the school, among schools of the same city and among different cities. http://www.yfa.am/
		Azerbaijan
Internews Azerbaijan Public Association	Ilham Safarov General Director ilham@internews.az	Internews Azerbaijan Public Association is a civil organization working in partnership with local media outlets to provide objective and unbiased information to people across the country. Over the last thirteen years, Internews has supported independent media outlets, including eleven regional television stations and three newspapers, to become professional and self-reliant throughout Azerbaijan. The most important success that Internews achieved over this time period is to see all the stations producing regional news program on a regular basis. Prior to Internews' interventions, most regional TV companies produced only entertainment programs. Another notable accomplishment has been supporting the creation and development of local news production at independent rural television companies through providing them with extensive trainings, on-site consultancies and high-tech equipment loans. Internews has also actively defended journalists at independent broadcast and print media outlets against pressures from various government structures. Internews Azerbaijan is implementing an EIDHR funded project titled "Empowerment and Mobilization of Media in Azerbaijan: Respect for Human Rights." The project strives to enhance respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in AZ where they are most at risk. Also, it aims for the pursuit of common agendas for democratic reforms in media through a) Media freedom advocacy: direct legal aid for protection of the freedom of speech and seminars on media rights/ obligations of professional and independent media and b) Improved journalistic professionalism: trainings for journalists in skills development and specialty-reporting. http://www.internews.az
Association for the Protection of Women's Rights (APWR) of	Novella Jafaroglu Appelbaum Chairperson novellajafarova@gmail.com,	The Association for the Protection of Women's Rights (APWR) after D. Aliyeva has been an active organisation in Azerbaijan since 1989. Our mission is to give the <b>provision of legal and educational services, to safeguard the rights and freedoms of citizens, to prevent any kind of discrimination and provide redress for women in</b>

D.Aliyeva	n-jafarova@azeri.com	Azerbaijan. With over 1000 active members in 38 regions, the organisation's activities are shared between more than 10 centers around the country. The centers have various concentrations and projects such as: the Human Rights and Democracy Education Center, Women: Peace and Security Center, Gender Center, Conflicts and Peace Center, Center of Young Leaders, "Trainer" training Center, Center for Humanitarian Issues and Children's Rights Center. Besides the activity on the projects, the organisation carries out regular activity on the important matters of the society, such as democratization of the government, election reforms, lobbying of women problems, support and aid to refugees and development and support of volunteerism. http://humanrightshouse.org/Articles/10767.html
Azerbaijan National Committee for European Integration (ANCEI)	Ilgar Hasanli Coordinator ihasanli@osi-az.org, ilgar.hasanli@yahoo.de	Azerbaijan National Committee for European Integration (ANCEI) was established in 2006 by an initiative group of 39 well-known individuals of Azerbaijan, including leaders of various NGOs, political scientists, economists, academics, scholars, business representatives, journalists and etc. The interest of this civil society group is to <b>support further enhancement of Azerbaijan-European Union relations within the scope of the European</b> <b>Neighbourhood Policy and Eastern Partnership</b> , develop recommendation for consideration of the government of Azerbaijan and participate in the monitoring of this co-operation. Main goals of ANCEI include: achieving integration of Azerbaijan to Europe, participation of civil society in the integration process, ensuring civil society involvement in decision-making, implementation and monitoring of European integration, establishing and implementing of cooperation between top officials of the country and European Union and civil society, enlightening community of the process of integration to Europe.
		Belarus
Belarusian Helsinki Committee	Aleh Hulak Chairperson office@belhelcom.org a.hulak@gmail.com	National Human Rights Public Association "Belarusian Helsinki Committee" (BHC) is an independent, non- political, non-profit public association, partner of the Council of Europe, and active participant of the international Helsinki movement. BHC sees its mission in <b>protection of human rights in Belarus, promotion of human rights initiatives and legal awareness of citizens, and assistance in training competent legal personnel.</b> BHC exposes human rights violations, provides legal assistance to the individuals (annually BHC receives about 2000 complaints), regularly holds human rights seminars and educating training courses for youth activists and lawyers, publishes human rights literature, organizes various events, aiming to draw public attention to the issues of human rights violations in Belarus. BHC analyses the legislation and puts forward proposals on how to improve it: proposals to the Criminal Code, the labour legislation, the media legislation and the electoral law have been worked out, as well as to the Constitution of Belarus. <u>http://www.belhelcom.org/?q=en</u>
Centre for Social Innovations	Tatiana Poshevalova Chairperson dogin@care2.com	The Public Association Center for Social Innovations, established in 1996 in Belarus, promotes the development of free, creative, sociable people and human communities, which, being built on co-operation and mutual respect, will become the "incubators" for democratic culture. The main activities include the <b>development of</b>

		adult and civic education in Belarus, urban and rural community development, advocacy work and civic campaigns, as well as training and counseling NGOs in the field of project and programme development. http://www.eurobelarus.info/
Viasna Human Rights Centre (Belarus)	Valentin Stefanovich Deputy Chairperson valikstefanovic@tut.by, viasna@spring96.org	Human Rights Center "Viasna" is a non-governmental human rights organization, created in 1996 during mass protest actions of the democratic opposition in Belarus. Viasna was initially a group created to help the arrested rally participants and their families. On 15 June 1999 the organization was registered as the Human Rights Center "Viasna". The main goal of Viasna is to <b>contribute to development of the civic society in Belarus, based</b> <b>on respect to human rights</b> , described in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Constitution of the Republic of Belarus. We collect information about development of the civic society and the state of rights awareness in the Republic of Belarus. We organize seminars, conferences, lectures, round-tables both for our members and different segments of population. In addition, we conduct research and monitor the human rights situation in Belarus, assisting in implementation of international pacts in the sphere of human rights, ratified by the Republic of Belarus. We publish and spread informational and educational materials in the sphere of human rights. We strive to keep contact with all branches of power and with non-governmental, commercial, research and educational institutions and render needed assistance to citizens. http://spring96.org/en/
		Egypt
Better Life Association for Comprehensive Development (BLACD)	Nawla Darwiche Project Director nawlad@gmail.com	The Better Life Association for Comprehensive Development (BLACD) is an Egyptian non-governmental, non-profit organisation working to improve the quality of life of poor and deprived people in Upper Egypt. Our vision is a community free of poverty, violence, illiteracy and unemployment for a better life. We work to achieve this through various programmes including: <b>community development and human rights, preventing</b> <b>female genital mutilation, water and sanitation installation, raising awareness of HIV/AIDS, improving housing,</b> and improving the livelihood of Fisher Folk. "Practicing Democracy from the Village up to the Capital: Promoting Participatory Democracy by Strengthening Local Communities" is a three-year project being implemented with funding support from the European Initiative for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) and the European Commission. The specific objective of the project is <b>to build the capacity of NGOs, CBOs, and</b> <b>grass roots initiatives</b> in six governorates to mobilize their communities to express and negotiate their needs and rights with the relevant decision-making bodies and hold them accountable, whilst developing the knowledge and capacity of elected local councils to meet the needs of their communities. The project has been a turning point in the lives of at least 1,500 community and association members who report the most significant change they experienced was a better understanding of their needs and how to address them from a rights-based perspective coupled with the appropriate advocacy and lobbying skills and tools. http://www.blacd.org/

Hope Village Society	Abla Ismail EL-BADRY General Manager Abla_elbadry@yahoo.com	<ul> <li>Hope Village Society (HVS) is an Egyptian NGOs that started in 1988 and considered a pioneer NGO dealing with the phenomenon of street children in Egypt. HVS's mission is to advocate for the rights, provide attention, care, education, and training to street children &amp; young street mothers. It helps around 8500 children every year by providing them with shelter, health care, education and vocational skills development in order to have a better &amp; safe future, as well as positive impact in the society using an innovative approach to integrate these children and young people in their communities and families.</li> <li>In support of these direct services, Hope Village provides technical support and training to government workers and other NGOs working in the field of street children rights in Egypt as well as adopting an advocacy campaign to advocate for the rights of street children with great focus on young street mothers's health &amp; legal rights that resulted in issuing the 1st Egyptian National Strategy for protecting and integrating street children in 2003 as well as changing the Egyptian child law in 2008</li> <li>www.egyhopevillage.com</li> </ul>
Arab Center for the Independence of the Judiciary and Legal Profession (ACIJLP)	Nasser Amin Director acijlp@thewayout.net	The Arab Center for the Independence of the Judiciary and the Legal Profession (ACIJLP) is a non-governmental organization established in Cairo, Egypt in March 1997. The center has the consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council . ACIJLP is the coordinator of the Arab Coalition for International Criminal Court ACICC, and the North African Focal Point of the African Coalition for Effective African Court for Peoples and Human Rights Court. The center is a member in the International Commission of Jurists ICJ and the International Criminal Bar The Hague. The ACIJLP works to reinforce and promote the status of justice and the independence of the judiciary and legal profession in the Arab Region. The ACIJLP also aims to implant and disseminate the values and principles of human rights in the Arab region, make Arab national legislation more consistent with international human rights instruments and advance the level of legal education in the Arab region.
		Our EIDHR funded project, titled "Campaign for Woman Judge in Egypt" objectives are three fold. One, to mobilize local public opinion for empowerment of women as judges and prosecutors. Two, to accomplish non-discrimination on the base of sex in judicial position. Three, to increase activation of women participation in the public life and state affairs administration.
		http://www.acijlp.org/
		Georgia
Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA)	Tamar Khidasheli Chairperson tamarkhidasheli@gyla.ge	Over its fifteen years of existence, GYLA has become one of the largest and strongest NGOs in Georgia, with more than 800 members, operating through a strong network of eight offices covering the major geographic/administrative regions of Georgia. Georgians know GYLA to be the leading <b>civil society organization</b>

		striving for justice, transparency, rule of law and human rights because of its watchdog functions. GYLA's motto is "Rule of Law for Justice" and major strategic goals are: raising legal awareness and establishment of respect for law among the public, protection of human rights, development and ensuring access to human rights protection mechanisms without discrimination, facilitation to an effective, accountable and transparent governance, development of high quality, continuous legal education and profession.
		The most recent project implemented by GYLA under the EIDHR entitled "Young lawyers for the effective access to civil, social and economic rights" aimed to provide free legal aid (counseling and representation at administrative bodies and courts), including field visits for the provision of legal consultations. In addition, the project endeavored to offer strategic litigation at the Constitutional Court and European Court of Human Rights as well as common courts. http://www.gyla.ge/
Green Alternative	Manana Kochladze manana@wanex.net, greenalt@greenalt.org	Green Alternative's priority work is advocating for <b>sustainable development</b> , <b>good environmental governance</b> , and environmental and social justice. Green Alternative's work consists of project-focused and policy campaigns. In each project or policy campaign, Green Alternative combines the campaign work with capacity building of the local groups and facilitates their direct involvement in the campaigns. Since its establishment, Green Alternative has made important contributions to improving policies and practices in different sectors (among them in forestry, energy and extractive industry), and in enhancing environmental governance in Georgia.
		Green Alternative has two EIDHR funded projects currently being implemented. "Development of Local Capacity for Prevention of Illegal Logging in Georgia" is a project to develop the capacity of local stakeholders to prevent corruption and illegal logging in the forestry sector through improved governance, increasing transparency and promotion of sustainable forest use. The project will strengthen civil society ownership and foster cooperation over the forestry sector. The other, ongoing, project "Building a Georgian Advocacy Network for Environmental and Social Justice" works to increase civil society groups' engagement with the decision-makers at all levels; and to improve environmental governance in Georgia. http://www.greenalt.org/index.php?lng=en_

IDP Women Association "Consent"	Julia Karashvili Chairperson admin@idpwa.org.ge, Julia.kharashvili@yahoo.com	The IDP Women Association "Consent" was created in 1996 by group of volunteers working in IDP community countrywide. The mission of the organisation is – to contribute to creation of democratic, peaceful and pluralistic society with the equal rights and opportunities for IDP women and youth and promotion of their civil, social and economic rights. The main directions of work of the organisation are – informal education of IDP women, youth and informal leaders, psycho-social and medical rehabilitation of war affected population, advocacy for IDP rights, dialogue for peace among youth and women across the division lines, contribution to achieving of equal opportunities. Through its 5 branches the Association works in Eastern and Western Georgia with IDPs from early 90-s and from 2008 and other underrepresented communities. Currently, the Association is being implemented project under EIDHR instruments "Working together for Equal Rights" that through mobilisation and activation of women and youth builds cooperation among IDPs, communities affected by 2008 events (villages from adjacent to Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia territory), ethnic minority groups in Shida Kartli and FDP in Imereti, supports their inclusion into societal life and participation in decision making through self-organising, education and advocacy efforts at all levels of authorities.
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NGO Coordination Committee for Iraq – NCCI		The NGO Coordination Committee for Iraq – NCCI – is an independent initiative launched by a group of NGOs who were present in Baghdad in April 2003. At the time of its inception, the 14 members of NCCI intended to establish the basis of a neutral aid coordination highlighting the priorities for intervention and optimizing the responses to the needs of the Iraqi population. More than 5 years later, NCCI has pursued its initial objectives and has developed into a wide forum where NGOs can exchange information regarding humanitarian activities and policy decisions in Iraq. NCCI's role in Emergency coordination requires NCCI to ensure that basic needs relating to crisis situations are met. http://www.ncciraq.org/
		Israel
MOSSAWA	Jafar Farah Director mosawa@rannet.com	Mossawa (meaning equality) Center, the Advocacy Center for Arab Citizens in Israel, has promoted socio- economic, legal, cultural and political rights for the 1.4 million Palestinian citizens of Israel since 1997. A non- partisan, non-profit organization, Mossawa uses various methods: advocacy in the Israeli Parliament; socio- economic research and analysis; legal advocacy; public information campaigns; capacity building with a broad network of Arab NGOs; cooperative work with Local Arab Councils, Arab, Jewish, and international NGOs; international advocacy; conflict transformation; and community empowerment and activation. The Mossawa Center has founded three Arab- Jewish coalitions active on issues including: fair state budget, campaigning against racism and civil agreement dialogue for an equal constitution. <u>http://www.mossawacenter.org/</u>
The Arab Center for Law and Policy (Dirasat)	Youssef Jabareen General Director ytjabareen@gmail.com,	The Arab Center for Law and Policy - <i>Dirasat</i> , established in 2006, is a non-profit, non-governmental and non- partisan organization. Founded by a group of young Arab policy leaders, academics and social activists, <i>Dirasat</i> ('Studies' in Arabic) <b>works on behalf of the Arab-Palestinian minority in Israel</b> - currently some 20% of the

	lmrichlen@gmail.com	country's population. <i>Dirasat</i> strives to achieve national recognition and meaningful participation in key policy forums and within society at large to ensure substantive equality for this indigenous linguistic, cultural and national group. <i>Dirasat</i> works on both the internal (within the Arab minority) and the external (national) levels, engaging in the following activities: strategic planning, applied research , publication of position and policy papers containing concrete legal and policy reforms, dissemination of up-to-date and relevant information to bolster advocacy efforts, capacity-building and skills training for professionals, leaders and practitioners, initiation of seminars, round-table discussions and conferences. Current projects, chosen collaboratively, focus on advancing minority rights, promoting educational policies, improving Arab local government, information dissemination on the Arab minority, strengthening Arab University students and women's socio-economic empowerment. http://www.dirasat-aclp.org/index.asp
		Jordan
Jordanian Centre for Civic Education Studies (JCCES)	Mona Al Alami malami@jcces.org	The Jordanian Center for Civic Education Studies (JCCES) was established in Amman in 2003. The Center aims to promote civic awareness amongst the Jordanian population focusing their aspirations to enable them to become active citizens who are aware of their rights and responsibilities and those of others. The mission of the Jordanian Center for Civic Education Studies is to promote an enlightened and responsible body of citizens who are committed to democratic principles and who also actively engage in the practice of democracy in Jordan. JCCES implements civic education and human rights projects in schools and for youth and women groups. http://www.jcces.org/
Arab Women Organization	Leyla Hamarneh Naffa awo@nets.com.jo	AWO was established in 1970 as a woman organization seeking gender and social equality. It has undertaken 4 programmes to promote women's rights, including Economic Empowerment, Political Participation, Legal Reform and Reproductive Health. In 2004, AWO established MOSAWA (Equality) Network for women NGOs for seeking the implementation of international standards on women's rights. The Network includes 86 women NGOs who work together to monitor Jordan's commitment to apply UN conventions, especially CEDAW. AWO produced and distributed several books on women's rights and the current situation of women's NGOs. The latest is a book on violence against women under the title: "Breaking the Circles of Silence".AWO has implemented 5 EIDHR projects working mainly in strengthening civil society and promoting gender equality as well as monitoring CEDAW implementation in Jordan. http://www.awo.org.jo/
Adaleh	Luna Sabbah	ADALEH Center for Human Rights Studies is a non-governmental, non-profit organization, established in 2003

	Executive Director luna.sabbah@adaleh-center.org	based in Amman –Jordan with a mission of enforcing human rights values in Jordan and the Arab world, through building the capacity of non-governmental organizations and practitioners working in the field of human rights, democracy and justice. The center operates in accordance with all universal human rights declarations, principles, and charters issued by the United Nations. Our vision is to create a mindful society that enjoys basic human rights and freedoms, free from discrimination and violations against human rights, and where values of dignity, freedom, equality, tolerance, and respect are spread over. We have had numerous projects funded by EIDHR. Past ones include "Promoting democracy and political participation in the remote areas of the Kingdom in the south governorates", "Advocacy Against Torture" and "Building a Movement to Protect the Rights of Migrant Workers" which worked to advocate the rights of migrant workers for better practicing of the new legislation in addition to call for more legal protection. Our current EIDHR supported projects are "Activating Human Rights Environment in Jordan" and "Enhancing the Implementation of the International Conventions on the National Level." http://www.adaleh-center.org/
		Kazakhstan
Social Corporative Foundation "ZUBR"	Olga Obraztsova Deputy Director o_obraztsova@mail.ru, zubr@ukg.kz	ZUBR Social Corporative Foundation is a non-governmental organization whose mission is to <b>facilitate the</b> <b>development of socially important initiatives and not-for-profit projects, to encourage active civil</b> <b>involvement to address problems</b> through complex training, information and consulting programs. Since 2001, ZUBR has implemented more than 50 projects, the majority of which has been aimed at research and analytical activities, public expertise, raising public awareness, social initiatives, NGO support on national and local levels. The scope of projects is wide and includes social, economic and public spheres.
		An EIDHR funded project entitled "Legal Protection on the Labor Market Today Is Your Decent Old Ages Tomorrow" endeavors to make the process of exercising labour rights and rights for pension security guaranteed by the government to citizens of the Kazakhstan Republic (including social vulnerable groups) more transparent and effective.
Legal Center for Women's Initiatives "Sana Sezim"	Khadicha Abysheva Director akhadicha@gmail.com, a_khadicha@rambler.ru, sana-sezim@mail.ru	The Legal Center For Women's Initiatives "Sana Sezim" of the South Kazakhstan Region is a registered non-profit organisation working to build civil society and democracy through the <b>promotion of women and children in</b> <b>society, the formation of non-violent relationships in society, and the development of a movement to protect</b> <b>the rights of women and children</b> . We work to be a link between society and the authorities, and to be every important tool for shaping a civil society and the whole system of democracy in general. Our principles include transparency, openness, clarity of thoughts, actions, and ideas, based on wisdom, spirituality, and openness. Priority directions of our organisation consist of: woman and children's rights, and rights to life without violence, stopping women and children trafficking, labor migration, and gender education.

		Currently, we have two EIDHR funded projects. The first, entitled "Legal Education to Counteract Human Trafficking," is a programme aimed at training of specialists providing legal assistance to human trafficking victims in Kazakhstan and the prevention of human trafficking through educational programmes for youth. The second project, entitled "Providing Justice to Women," works to provide access to justice for women, whose rights have been violated in the South Kazakhstan Region, through better knowledge of institutional mechanisms and legal frameworks. <u>http://www.sanasezim.org/eng/index.php</u>
		Lebanon
International Center for Transitional Justice	Lynn Maalouf Local Programme Manager lynnmaalouf@gmail.com, LMaalouf@ictj.org	<ul> <li>The International Center for Transitional Justice works to redress and prevent the most severe violations of human rights by confronting legacies of mass abuse. ICTJ seeks holistic solutions to promote accountability and create just and peaceful societies. To fulfill that mission, ICTJ links experience from its many field programs with its research in transitional justice. This allows ICTJ to develop, test and refine field practices and remain a research leader. ICTJ uses this knowledge to inform and advise governments, civil society and other stakeholders working on behalf of victims. It seeks to persuade those stakeholders, the media and the general</li> <li>The EIDHR-funded project involved inviting a group of policymakers and civil societies to learn from the experience of Bosnia-Herzegovina in addressing the issue of the missing. This project seeks to assist civil society organizations and decision makers working on the issue of the missing in Lebanon. The aim is to develop the needed legal and institutional framework that would guarantee "the right to know" of the families of the disappeared, as well as to ensure family members' own rights as victims. The project also aims to engage decision makers and the public at large in this issue, in view of raising awareness and furthering understanding in a manner that would help prevent the recurrence of disappearances and similar forms of abuse. <a href="http://www.ictj.org/fr/index.html">http://www.ictj.org/fr/index.html</a></li> </ul>
Association Libanaise pour l'Education et la Formation (ALEF)	Julien Courson Board Member julien.courson@gmail.com	L'Association Libanaise pour l'Education et la Formation (Lebanese Association for Education and Training) is a human rights, non-governmental organization based in Lebanon. ALEF seeks <b>to strengthen the respect and</b> <b>practice of human rights</b> along all levels of the social, political, and economic structure and seeks to re-instate the fundamental value of every human being as a priority for policy-makers and policy agendas. ALEF believes in the absolute value of Human Beings and in the moral and legal imperative to uphold this value. Embracing a comprehensive approach to monitor, defend, and educate on human rights, ALEF aims to complement and gear all efforts towards the achievement of an influential Human Rights constituency. Our main programs include: monitoring and advocacy programs, education and outreach programs, and child rights programs. We implemented an EIDHR project entitled "Torture monitoring & prevention in Lebanon." <u>http://www.alefliban.org/</u>

Restart Center for Rehabilitation of Victims of Torture and Violence	Suzanne Jabbour Director	Restart Center, established in 1996 in Tripoli, is a non governmental organization active in the field of <b>Rehabilitation of victims of violence and torture</b> . Restart Center aims at protecting the right of victims of torture including refugees, people affected by armed conflicts, prisoners and family members as well as improving their psychosocial and physical wellbeing. Its specific objectives include: to offer physical psychological and social rehabilitation to any individual victim of torture and violence; to develop awareness program about torture. to enable the torture survivors to become productive members in their societies; to cooperate with local and international NGO's governmental bodies and networking among concerned professionals; to educate professionals and the public about torture and its consequences. From May 2007 to May 2010, Restart implemented a EIDHR project: "Rehabilitation Program for torture survivors". Other programs include: "Psychosocial Intervention for Prisoners and Family Members" (under AFKAR II), "Mental Health services to refugees in Lebanon", "The use of forensic evidence in the prevention of torture", or "Developing the capacity of IRCT member centers to deliver holistic torture Rehabilitation services through south-south and south-north peer supervision and support"
		Moldova
Development and Social Initiatives (IDIS) 'Viitorul'	Dr Igor Munteanu Executive Director <u>viitorul@moldova.org</u> , idis_viitorul@mdl.net	The Institute for Development and Social Initiatives (IDIS) Viitorul is a <b>research</b> , <b>education and outreach</b> <b>organization which works in the field of economic analysis, governance, law, political sciences, strategic and</b> <b>organizational science</b> . It was set up in June 1993 in Moldova as a non-governmental, not-for-profit organization, non-political entity. The IDIS's mission is to contribute to the growth of independent thinking environment in Moldova and in other emerging democracies; to contribute to the strengthening of the local and regional governments; to assist the expansion of the civil society in which the citizens act together to express their own interests, to exchange information and to strive for mutual goals and influence government. Our present EIDHR project is on mass media. We aim to strengthen the setting of national standards for professional investigative journalism and monitoring of the legal enforcement. <u>http://www.viitorul.org/index.php?l=en</u>
Centrul de Resurse pentru Drepturile Omului Resource Center for Human Rights (CReDO)	Serghei OSTAF Executive Director ostaf@credo.md	Resource Center for Human Rights (CReDO) is a nonprofit human rights organization <b>that promotes human</b> <b>rights and democratization policies to help Moldova European integration</b> . We provide consultancy and policy advice based on undertaken research and collected evidence. CReDO engages proactively with relevant national stakeholders and international (EU, COE, UN) actors to make change possible. The most recent project that is under the implementation is "Capacity building for and promotion of human rights and democratic institutions in Transnistria region of Moldova." The overall objective is to promote greater awareness and responsiveness on the situation with human rights in Transnistria region throughout the region

		and outside, including at international level. A second EIDHR funded project entitled "Resource Center of Moldovan Human Rights NGOs – Consortium of five Human Rights NGOs from the Republic of Moldova" aims at contributing to implementation of the CPT Report Recommendations and the needs and constraints identified in it and necessities sought by the Moldovan Government to comply with the European standards of rule of law, human rights and humane conditions in the places of detention. http://www.credo.md/pagini/despre_26.php?limba=eng	
Promo-LEX – Resource and Development Centre for Transnistria	lon Manole Chairman promolex.pr@gmail.com	The Promo-LEX Association is a non-governmental organisation focused on promoting democratic values and on applying adequate human rights standards in the Republic of Moldova, including the Transnistrian region. The Promo-LEX team consists of young human rights activists striving for change within Moldovan society, advancing democracy, and combating human rights violations in Moldova. Programmatic areas include: Human Rights & Litigation Program, a program aiming to promote and implement international human rights standards in Moldova, Election Monitoring Programs to foster the active participation of all and promote free and fair elections and the Civil Society Program which aims to contribute to the development and strengthening of the nongovernmental sector. http://www.promolex.md/index.php?module=projects&cat=1&item=116⟪=en	
		Morocco	
L'Association Marocaine des Droits Humains	Abdellah Mousseddad <u>amouseddad@yahoo.fr</u>	The Moroccan Association of Human Rights (MAHR) was founded on 24 June 1979. It had nearly 10,000 members at the end of October 2009. It aims notably: to raise awareness, publicize an evolving, educate on human rights; to Work for ratification by Morocco of all international covenants on human rights, for the integration of their provisions in Moroccan law and its compliance with these covenants and to ensure abiding them by the law; to notice, denounce and condemn any human rights violation and work for their cessation; to provide solidarity, uphold and support for the victims of the violations. Activities include: <b>monitoring and reporting on human rights violation, human rights training, human rights education, and outreach activities</b> . The MAHR has a Center for Information and Documentation with an important data base and is open to the public. <a href="http://www.amdh.org.ma/">http://www.amdh.org.ma/</a>	
Réseau marocain Euromed des ONG	Hamid Lamrissi Coordinator lamrissi@gmail.com maroceuromed@gmail.com	The Moroccan Network Euro-Mediterranean NGO is a national structure composed of more than 50 non- governmental non-profit organisations, and trade unions, working primarily in the areas of <b>protection of human</b> <b>rights, fundamental freedoms, economic, social, and cultural rights, youth, environment,</b> as well as among other topics essential in building the rule of law. Our current activities include running thematic training workshops throughout the country in areas such as finance, legal issues, culture and youth, gender equality and women's rights, immigrant rights, and freedom of expression. We are committed to monitoring and evaluating our action plans collected in yearly reports in order to facilitate more transparent and effective partnerships for change.	

		http://reseaueuromed.ma/
Organisation Marocaine Amina Bouayach des Droits Humains <u>aabouayach@yahoo.fr</u>		L'OMDH a été crée le 10 décembre 1988, après trois décisions d'interdiction. L'OMDH a pour mission la protection et la promotion des droits Humains. Elle oeuvre pour la consécration de l'état de droit, la consolidation des institutions ainsi que pour la séparation des pouvoirs et l'indépendance de la justice. L'OMDH est une ONG indépendante du courant idéologique regroupe des militantes et les militants de déférentes tendances et appartenance politique, non partisane. Elle est structurée de sorte à prendre des positions objectives relatives aux violations des droits Humains. <u>http://www.omdh.org/</u>
		Palestine
Palestinian Consultative staff for Develop NGO's	Motasem Zayed Executive Director <u>pcs.jenin@gmail.com</u> , mzghz@yahoo.com	Palestinian Consultative staff for developing NGOs in Jenin governorate (PCS) is an independent civic and non- governmental organisation that aims to develop and empower the Palestinian community by promoting democracy, social equity, sustainable development and respect for the law and human rights. PCS was established since 2005 is comprised of more than 30 Palestinian NGOs in Jenin Governorate that work in human, social and development fields. Programs include: capacity and organizational building, community development, rights and democracy, and humanitarian services. We recently implemented a EIDHR funded project titled "Capacity Building of CBOs in Democracy and Human Rights Field in Jenin Governorate" The idea of the project based on promoting and capacity building of effectiveness CBOs in Jenin governorate in the field of democracy and human rights by merging and fixing these values or concepts in the work of these organizations.
NGO Development Center (NDC)	Ghassan Kasabreh Director <u>gkasabreh@ndc.ps</u>	The NGO Development Center (NDC) is an innovative Palestinian non-profit organization that <b>empowers</b> <b>Palestinian NGOs to better provide vital services to Palestinians living in the West Bank and Gaza</b> , especially the poor and marginalized. Conceived in partnership with leading Palestinian NGOs, unions and networks, NDC mobilizes donor funding to deliver a unique combination of direct grants and capacity building programs that enhance the effectiveness, self-reliance and sustainability of Palestinian NGOs. NDC advocates greater NGO transparency and accountability through the adoption of professional financial and management practices, and promotes sector-wide coordination and sharing of best practice experiences within its programs. NDC's main programs include: NGO Grants for Social and Productive Services in which NDC provides a distinctive combination of direct grants to NGOs, to help them perform with improved quality and better directed outcomes, while increasing access to services by the poor and marginalized. The NGO Sector Development program aims at developing the NGO sector by promoting knowledge sharing and capacity development within the sector. <u>http://www.masader.ps/p/en</u>
Defence for Children	Veronica Naranjo	Defence for Children International-Palestine Section (DCI-Palestine) is a national section of the international
International-Palestine	Project Manager	non-governmental child rights organisation and movement, Defence for Children International (DCI). DCI-

Section (DCI-Palestine)	veronica@dci-pal.org	Palestine develops its own programs according to Palestinian children's needs and priorities. DCI-Palestine is dedicated to <b>promoting and protecting the rights of Palestinian children</b> in accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), as well as other international, regional and local standards. Currently, DCI-Palestine has two main programs. The Accountability and Legal Work Program is dedicated to the defence of children held in Israeli prisons, the <b>monitoring and documentation of child's rights violations</b> (mainly child detainees, settler violence, fatalities, injuries and human shields), and advocacy work, especially at the international level. The Protection and Community Mobilisation Program works at the Palestinian Authority level. It has two main components: the Children in Conflict with the law and Children Victims of Violence unit, and the Community Mobilisation unit. The former defends children victims of abuse, and the latter works with civil society organisations in order to seek the protection of children victims of abuse, and the latter works with civil society organisations in order to build their capacities to become child rights actors. Our EIDHR funded project is called "Promoting and protecting the rights of Palestinian children affected by armed conflict and occupation." The project aims to strengthen the capacity for monitoring and documenting child rights violations related to the occupation and armed conflict, as well as carrying out initiatives to raise community awareness about the rights of children in armed conflict and under occupation. The project also provides legal representation and advice for Palestinian children held in Israeli prisons.
Al-Dameer Association for Human Rights, Gaza	Khalil Abu Shammala <u>aldameer@p-i-s.com</u> , wael.alqarra@aldameer.org	<ul> <li>Al-Dameer Association for Human Rights was established as a nongovernmental organization in 1996 by exprisoners and human rights practitioners in the Gaza Strip. It aims to elevate discussion and awareness of an established human rights culture within the Gaza Strip, particularly regarding the rights of children, prisoners, citizens to a clean environment, and freedom of expression. Al-Dameer has led human rights training programs for groups including law enforcement agencies and university students, document conditions of prisoners, provided legal review of domestic legislation, and undertaken court intervention for human rights victims. A substantial amount of its work has focused on youth, with activities to promote their participation in elections, enhance their involvement in their local communities, and enhance their understanding of international human rights standards. Our programs include : Right to a Sound and Sustainable Environment Program, Right to Freedom of Association Program, Children Rights Program, Human Rights Awareness and Education Program, Legal Assistance Program.</li> <li>Al Dameer implements two projects that are funded by EIDHR. The first project aims to contribute to the respect, protection and promotion of children's rights through enabling children to claim and protect their rights, and empower civil society to promote and respect children's rights. The second project works to contribute to the respect, protection and promotion of the right to freedom of association in the Gaza Strip.</li> </ul>

		http://www.aldameer.org/en/index.php
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GOLOS	Tetyana Bohdanova tatiana@golos.org	"GOLOS" Association is a Russian non-political non-commercial organization which was founded in 2000 for the protection of the right of Russian voters and development of civic society. Through its activities "GOLOS" aims to form a civic control system over the overall electoral process in Russia, and the performance of executive and legislative bodies on all levels. The main area of activity of "GOLOS" Association is elections monitoring. Between elections, "GOLOS" carries out monitoring of elected officials on all levels, organizes systematic public discussions of critical issues on local and regional level, and carries out work aimed at increasing citizens' involvement in the decision-making process and overall civil society development in Russia. "GOLOS" is a member of international organization European Network of Election Monitoring Organizations (ENEMO) within the framework of which "GOLOS" participated in over 15 international election monitoring missions.
		The most recent project funded under the EIDHR is called "Increasing transparency of Russian electoral process through public discussion and promotion of a unified Electoral Code." The project involves joint development, discussion and promotion of a Federal Electoral Code (Russia currently does not have one) by the inter-regional academic community, electoral commission members, political party members, and the public in general. Another project which GOLOS implemented under the EIDHR, called "Organization of public educational campaigns in order to increase citizens' involvement in "participatory democracy", which mainly centered around analysis of recent electoral campaigns in Russia and development of recommendations for amending the legislation, training election monitors, voter education, as well as regional discussion clubs and round tables on elections-related topics.
		http://www.golos.org
Perm Centre for Assistance of Victims of Human Trafficking	Fedor Sinitsyn permcavt@gmail.com	The Center for Assistance to Victims of Violence and Human Trafficking is a non-governmental, non-profit organization working in Perm Region of the <b>Russian Federation</b> . The center's activity focuses on the issues of <b>combating domestic and sexual violence, human trafficking and sexual exploitation of children</b> . We render assistance to persons suffered from all forms of violence and human trafficking, as well as the work to prevent all forms of violence and human trafficking. Also, the organisation works on building a dialogue between NGOs, police, mass media, and other actors in the field of human rights protection and prevention of violence and human trafficking. <u>http://www.cavt.ru/</u>
Youth Human Rights Movement	Konstantin Baranov newaristos@gmail.com	International Youth Human Rights Movement (YHRM) was founded in 1998 as a community of young people, civil organisations and groups united for building a new generation of human rights defenders, promoting the ideas and principles of human rights and human dignity, and developing efficient public mechanisms of

		human rights defense. Today YHRM unites more than 1000 people from 38 countries, its headquarters being based in Voronezh (Russia). The main directions of YHRM activities are four fold. 1- Defense of fundamental rights and freedoms (defense of civil society in Newly Independent States, promoting legality in law-enforcement bodies, freedom of movement, etc.). 2-Human Integrity (promoting equality and non-discrimination, countering racism and intolerance, support of peace-building initiatives and culture of peace, overcoming totalitarian thinking). 3-Human Rights Education and Civil Enlightenment. 4- Civil initiatives (support of students' civil initiatives, program "Youth and the Army"). YHRM also includes several thematic networks: Youth Network against Racism and Intolerance, International Network on Students' Rights, Network of Civil Journalism, International Youth Network of Human Rights Education and Civic Enlightenment.         YHRM projects supported under the EIDHR include: "Human Rights and Democratisation – through Awareness-Raising and Cooperation" and "Building Partnership for Successful Non-Violent Youth Action to Promote Human Rights Culture, Tolerance and Inter-Cultural Dialogue."         http://www.yhrm.org/	
		Syria	
Arab Commission for Human Rights (ACHR)	Violette Daguerre Chairwoman violettedaguerre@msn.com	The Arab Commission for Human Rights (ACHR), founded in 1998 by a group of defenders of human rights from different Arab countries, is an independent, nongovernmental organization dedicated to the <b>promotion and</b> <b>protection of rights of the person and fundamental freedoms in the Arab world</b> . We refer to international instruments on human rights, mainly the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Covenants on economic, social, cultural, civic and political rights. <b>Our main activities include: conducting research, writing</b> <b>information on human rights</b> (studies, articles, over 70 books including the Encyclopaedia of Human Rights in Arabic), <b>election monitoring, training courses, and participation in conferences and media productions</b> . Our main goal has been to establish national and international networks to participate in strengthening human rights, to disseminate ideas and raise awareness of human rights and all their aspects. Lastly, we produce a weekly television broadcast on human rights in Arabic. Our EIDHR funded project focuses on training NGO leaders, journalists and lawyers in Damascus and Aleppo in Syria. http://www.achr.nu/achr.en.htm	
	-	Tajikistan	
Consumers Union of Tajikistan	Bakhadur Khabibov constaj@rambler.ru	Public consumer association Consumers' Union of Tajikistan (CU) is a non-profit, public, non-governmental organization created by General Assembly of the founders on July 20, 2002. The purpose in the creation of Consumers Union is to provide assistance in the areas of consumers' rights and interests' protection and building a fair and competitive market of goods and services in Tajikistan. Consumers Unions activity today is concentrated in 6 main areas of activity: The creation of an effective legislative base in the field of consumer	

		<ul> <li>protection, the creation of a hotline to report infringements, urban development projects protecting consumer rights in the field of Public Utilities System, work to build up a civilized, fair and competitive market of goods and services, consumer awareness raising and strengthening of international partnerships in the field of consumer protection.</li> <li>CU has an ongoing project funded by the European Commission titled "Promoting civil participation in the reform of residential building maintenance and management in urban areas II." The project works to reform the way urban buildings are maintained and managed to be a more transparent and democratic process. <a href="http://www.consumersinternational.org">http://www.consumersinternational.org</a></li> </ul>
Rushd	Yusuf Mahmedov Director rushdkhatlon@mail.ru	Public organization "RUSHD" of Khatlon region was founded in January 2000. The mission of the current organization is <b>to promote development of democracy and protection of human rights</b> . Today 22 members and 5 volunteers make up the organization. During the last 10 years of its existence, the NGO and its members have actively incorporated into the tertiary structure and established the necessary partnership s the civil sector as well as with state structures. Since its creation, the NGO has developed and implemented many projects including : election campaigning, community mobilization for infrastructure improvement, independent research, advocacy campaigns, etc.
		Public Organization "RUSHD" implemented an EIDHR funded project titled "Enhancing the Capacity of Political Parties in Khatlon Region for Electoral Observation." The project allowed for the first time to define the political situation in numerous rural branches and organise capacity building activities to provide for the most severe needs of the target group. http://www.rushd.freenet.tj/Jaloliddin%20.html
Group of Initiative Volunteers – Accent	Timur Nabiev giv-accent@yandex.ru	The organization was established by initiative young people in 2002. The mission of the organization is to <b>get</b> <b>young generation of Tajikistan to take part in development of civil society</b> . The organization obtains the mission by carrying out seminars/trainings on civic education, studies and surveys, information campaigns and conducting educational camps and schools. The main beneficiaries of the organization are young people aged 18-25 years and different organizations working with this social category.
		In our EIDHR program, "GIV-Accent" we received grant support for implementation of two projects. The project "Center for Youth Civic Education" was implemented in 2007-2008 years and was aimed at training in electoral rights for first-time voters (young people). Since the end of 2009, the organization has started implementation of the project "Soghd Youth Initiative". The project is directed at capacity building of youth civic society organizations. In its work, the organization pays special attention to reaching out to and work with young people from rural areas and vulnerable groups of young generation.

		Организация создана активной молодежью в 2002 году. Основной миссий организации является привлечение молодёжи к идее развития гражданского общества в Таджикистане. Организация осуществляет свою деятельность через проведение семинаров/тренингов по гражданскому образованию, проведению исследований ситуации, информационным механизмам, проведение образовательных лагерей/школ. Основные бенефицары организации на сегодняшний день – это молодёжь в возрасте от 18 до 25 лет и организации, работающие с этой социальной группой. По программе ЕДИПЧ организация получила грантовую поддержку двух проектов. С 2007 по 2008 годы организация реализовывала проект «Центр Гражданского Образования Молодежи», направленный на обучение избирательным правам молодым лицам, голосующим впервые. С конца 2009 года организация приступила к реализации проекта «Согдийские Молодежные Инициативы», направленный на усиление потенциала молодёжных организаций гражданского общества. В своей работе организация уделяет особое внимание молодежи из сельской местности, а также уязвимым группам молодежи.	
		Tunisia	
Association Tunisienne de Femmes Démocrates (ATFD)	Mme Sana Ben Achour President Femmes_feministes@yahoo.fr		
Association des Femmes Tunisiennes pour la Recherche sur le Développement (AFTURD)	Radhia Belhaj Zekri President zekri.radhia@yahoo.fr, afturd@gmail.com	Association of Tunisian Woman for the research and Development (AFTURD), established in 1989, is a scientific association supporting and developing research on the integration of women in development, notably, research for the effective emancipation of Tunisian women and the preservation of their achievements. The association encourages the participation of women in the design and implementation of development projects. To do this, AFTURD organizes debates, discussion workshops, meetings to enhance cultural writings of women or on women. AFTURD conducts workshops on all matters concerning: gender, violence against women, women's rights, positive history of women, job insecurity, citizenship, etc AFTURD also directed several studies on the economic empowerment of women listening services, support and guidance through various specialized branches. http://www.afturd.org/home.php	
		Fondée en 1989, l'Association des Femmes Tunisiennes pour la Recherche sur le Développement (AFTURD) soutient et développe la recherche sur l'intégration des femmes dans le développement en vue, notamment, de l'émancipation effective des femmes tunisiennes et de la préservation de leurs acquis et de repenser le développement avec les femmes et pour les femmes. L'association encourage la participation des femmes à la conception et à la réalisation des projets de développement. Pour ce faire, l'AFTURD organise des débats, des	

		ateliers de réflexion, des rencontres culturelles pour valoriser des écrits de femmes ou sur les femmes. Elle réalise des ateliers de formation sur toutes les questions ayant pour objet : le genre, la violence à l'égard des femmes, les droits des femmes, l'histoire positive des femmes, la précarité, la citoyenneté, etc. Elle a aussi réalisé plusieurs études sur l'empowerment économique des femmes, sur la violence faite au femmes, la migration, les aides ménagères, etc. Elle a mis à la disposition des femmes des services d'écoute, de soutien et d'accompagnement à travers différents guichets spécialisés. <u>http://www.afturd.org/home.php</u>
		Ukraine
Women's Information- Coordination Centre	Yevgenii Zagudaev Board Member yevzag@gmail.com	The organization, as an initiative group, has existed since 1995, and was officially registered in 1996 as the Women's Information-Coordination Center (WICC). The mission of the organization is to assist in the <b>raising the role of woman in Ukrainian society through the advocacy of the rights of women and children</b> , providing support to those who are in crisis situations, facilitating the development of economic opportunities for women and their public activity. Main areas of the activity are: <b>gender equality, small and mid business development, combating domestic violence and human trafficking, protection of the rights of a child, and NGOs development.</b>
		The most recent EIDHR funded project implemented by WICC was focused on protection and advocacy of domestic violence victims through formation of local coalitions. This was accomplished by implementing new intervention procedures in domestic violence cases, networking CSOs and police, and by forming regional coalitions for combating domestic violence. This year we start a new initiative supported by EIDHR strengthening the role of civil society in promoting human rights and democratic reforms and consolidating political participation and representation. Specific focus of the project is protecting and promoting economic and social rights in areas of land reform, property rights, control over natural resources, labour rights and employment issues.
Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union	Volodymyr Yavorskyy Executive Director yavorskyy@helsinki.org.ua	The Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union (UHHRU), established 34 years ago, is one of the most influential human rights organizations in Ukraine. UHHRU was created to promote the practical implementation of the humanitarian articles of the Final Act of the Helsinki Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in 1975 and other international legal documents adopted for its development, as well as all Ukraine's other human rights commitments. The Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union (UHHRU) is an association of 29 Ukrainian human rights organizations, active in <b>defending human rights and freedoms in court, providing legal assistance to victims of human rights abuses, monitoring and reporting on human rights violations, and human rights education</b> . The organization is also involved in implementation of the three-year EIDHR project on "Creation of a national system for preventing torture and ill treatment in Ukraine." <a href="http://helsinki.org.ua/en/">http://helsinki.org.ua/en/</a>

GURT Resource Centre	Maryana Zaviyska Project Manager zaviyska@gurt.org.ua	GURT Resource Centre is national CSO working on introducing social changes through strengthening civil society organizations in Ukraine since 1996. GURT is working in three areas: providing access to societal information via GURT web-portal, introducing social innovations, and facilitating development of good reputation of Ukrainian CSOs in society. GURT's current projects include training provision projects and projects on strengthening institutional capacities of civil society organisations; a project to promote dialogue between civil society and government and build capacity of civil society in advocacy and networking techniques; and an EIDHR project "Strengthening the Role of Civil Society in Protection of Children's Rights". GURT was also represented at the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum in November 2009. www.gurt.org.ua
		Yemen
Yemen Polling Center (YPC)	Hakeem Azzadeen Project Manager hakeem.azzadeen@yemenpollin .org	The Yemen Polling Center (YPC) is an independent research institution and civil society organization (CSO) specializing in public opinion, survey, communication and market research, as well as CSO, governance, and media training. YPC has thus far conducted over 40 research projects in political, social and economic fields. YPC has also implemented dozens of projects through international funding in fields relating <b>to human rights, women's rights, political participation, fighting corruption and empowering CSOs and NGOs</b> , among others. YPC was founded by a group of dedicated professional journalists, academics, researchers and volunteers, who are ambitious to bring about progressive change in Yemen. The most recent project being implemented with funding from the European Union is the Yemen Parliament Watch Project. The Yemen Parliament Watch Project is an initiative which aims to enhance the capacity of Yemen's Parliament by providing a central hub of informational and training resources for Members of Parliament (MPs), civil society stakeholders, journalists, and the general public. The project has as its ultimate goal a strong Parliament serving an informed constituency. Furthermore, the project strives to empower civil society organizations to pursue democratic and human rights, as well as foster an independent, free, and fair press which upholds the highest standards in journalists. <u>http://www.yemenpolling.org/</u>
SEYAJ Organization for Childhood Protection	Ahmad Hussein AL-GORASHI Executive Manager seyaj.org4@gmail.com	SEYAJ is NGO, non-profit, volunteering and independent organization for childhood protection in Yemen established in 2005. Its mission is to provide Children with their all standard rights to have good and safe life, in accordance with the child rights convention as well as the national strategy of childhood and youth and the Yemeni lows related to child protection. There is no membership in Seyaj but it works through a network of active volunteers in almost all Yemeni governorates who help it to work in all Yemeni governorates. It is working to build cooperative and effective relationships with related authorities locally and abroad based on truthfulness, transparency and fundamental work. SEYAJ is based in Sana'a and work over Yemen. However it is focusing on rural areas where abuses are mostly increased to secure the basic requirements of children. Within a short period of time, SEYAJ has contributed to defend and protect child rights by adopting many cases of

		violations and advocating children victims and obtains remarkable media presence in defending child rights. <u>http://www.seyaj.org/</u>
Gender Studies and Research Center at Sana's University & SHIMA Network for Combating Violence Against Women	Dr. Najat Mohammad Sayem Executive Director sawsan.geroun@gmail.com	Yemen Network for Combating Violence Against Women (SHIMA) is a local voluntary collection for all governmental bodies, non-governmental organizations and private associations <b>concerned with women affairs and combating violence against women</b> and that are ready to work together in sharing field experience to fulfill network goals. We ultimately aim to create a society <b>free from violence or any form of discrimination against women</b> . Specifically we work to: combat violence against women in families and society, enable women in all the fields in society, achieve equality in rights and duties and fulfill the aim of justice for both sexes, and share between and communicate with associations and governmental and non-governmental organization to build a strong coalition to combat violence against women. Our activities include training courses to enhance women abilities and workshops to increase awareness on women's rights. In addition, we carried out a study on the current status of early marriage in Yemen as well as an in-depth study on the effect of early marriage on girl's and women's health which led to an awareness campaign on the safe age for marriage.

## 2- CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS, PLATFORMS AND NETWORKS FROM EUROPEAN UNION COUNTRIES

Platform / Network	Member Organisations /	Short description of mandate and projects
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The "European Network of Political Foundations	Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung	Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is one of six independent German political
(ENOP) – independent actors in democracy	Andrea Ostheimer	foundations. In our international cooperation we are committed to
promotion, development cooperation and political	Project Director	fostering democracy and the rule of law, to implementing social and
dialogue" established in 2006 is a cooperation	"Multinational Dialogue	market-economic structures and to promoting human rights. With its
structure, serving as a communication and dialogue	on Development Policy"	worldwide networks to the political and social elites and with its long-term
instrument between European political foundations	ostheimer@eukas.eu	partner structures, it participates in shaping policy in developing and
and the Institutions of the European Union as well as		emerging countries. By training and educating young professionals, the KAS
civil society actors in the fields of democracy		promotes the developing process in social groups and political parties. The
promotion and development cooperation. Further to		Foundation fosters decentralisation processes based on the values of
that it provides services to its members to promote		freedom, solidarity and justice by facilitating projects for public institutions
their integration into the respective programmes of		in order to enhance their technical and administrative performance.
the European Union.		Currently the KAS hosts more than 200 projects in around 120 countries on
		four continents with 81 field offices.
The network presently counts more than 50 member		http://www.kas.de/
foundations from more than 20 countries (within the		
EU and candidate countries) and is open to new	Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung	The Heinrich Boell Foundation is an independent political foundation. The
members provided they meet the membership	Tatjana Butorac	foundation's primary objective is to support political education both within
criteria as laid down in its working regulations. The	EU-Liaison Manager	Germany and abroad, thus promoting democratic involvement, human
members are close to party families represented in	tatjana.butorac@gmail.com	rights, socio-political activism and cross-cultural understanding.
the European Parliament, belonging to the democratic		The Heinrich Boell Foundation maintains 27 local offices in all parts of the
spectrum but independent in their decision making		world. By way of its international cooperation with local project partners,
and financing of international projects.		such as NGOs, educational institutions and community organizations, the
		foundation seeks to strengthen democratization processes through
The activities of political foundations in the fields of		political education and global civic action.
democracy promotion and development include		http://www.boell.de/
public campaigning and awareness building, advocacy,	Friedrich Naumann Stiftung für die	The Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Liberty is a German political
and lobbying political institutions and decision makers	Freiheit	Foundation established in 1958. It works world-wide for the principles of
in their respective home countries. The main focus,	Ralf Erbel	individual liberty, the rule of law, market economy and human rights. FNF
however, is on the implementation of democracy	Resident Representative in Jordan	is an independent, non-profit, non-governmental organisation, financially
promotion and development projects with local	and for	mainly supported by the German government as well as other institutions
partners in more than 100 developing and transition	Lebanon, Syria and Iraq	involved in international development cooperation.
countries throughout the world.	Ralf.Erbel@fnst.org	The Foundation implemented, together with Arab partner organisations, f

	<b>Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung</b> Feras Kheirallah Programme Manager fes@fes-jordan.org	2007 – early 2010 an EU-cofinanced regional project on Freedom of Associa in the Arab World, a project that aimed at strengthening democratic prac through creating minimum acceptable standards for laws regulating poli parties, NGOs and labour unions. It also seeked to improve the performance image of CSOs through the adoption of internal good governance principles. http://www.freiheit.org The Friedrich Ebert Foundation's projects in Amman focus on four themes: Democracy and participation, promoting women's rights and gender equality, economic globalization and regional peace. To enhance democracy, FES supports civil society organizations, increased youth participation in addition to promoting political dialogue between decision makers from Jordan, Iraq, Germany and the region. As to gender and Nour Al-Hussein Foundation to develop and promote women's participation on the social and political levels. Finally, FES' projects with labor unions, locally and regionally, to bolster dialogue with decision- makers assists workers in benefiting from economic globalization. http://www.fes.de/
The European Partnership for Democracy (EPD)	EPD	See EDP
The European Partnership for Democracy (EPD) is a	Marieke van Doorn	
Brussels based platform of European NGOs that	Senior Programme Coordinator	
support democracy outside of the European Union.	mariekevandoorn@epd.eu	
The EPD's mission is to advocate for a stronger		
presence of democracy support in the EU External		
Relations agenda, in recognition that democracy itself is a corner stone of Europe's peace and prosperity.	PASOS (member of EPD)	http://www.europeum.org/
During the Czech and Swedish EU presidencies EPD	Vera Rihackova	http://www.europeum.org/
has actively contributed to a stronger policy	Researcher Fellow Europeum	
framework for EU democracy support. Next to our	Institute for European Policy/PASOS	
advocacy work, EPD fosters consortia of European	vrihackova@europeum.org	
organizations to cooperate in order to increase the		

impact of their activities in support of civil and political society partners in programme countries like Zimbabwe, Burma, Moldova and Armenia. EPD was established early 2008 by organizations like DEMO Finland, PASOS, the Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy and People in Need. EPD has an independent Board and a Council of Patrons, which is headed by the first democratically elected Czech President Václav Havel. www.epd.eu	<b>DEMO Finland</b> (member of EPD) Sari Varpama Executive Director sari.varpama@demofinland.org	Political Parties of Finland for Democracy (DEMO Finland) is a co-operative organisation of Finnish political parties. It seeks to enhance democracy by carrying out and facilitating collaborative projects between Finnish political parties and political movements in the developing countries. The purpose of the projects is to promote dialogue and mutual learning on different forms of democracy, and the problems and possibilities thereof."
The Human Rights and Democracy Network (HRDN) is an informal grouping of NGOs operating at EU level in the broader areas of human rights, democracy and conflict prevention. Participation in the network is open to non-governmental organizations which engage at EU level in the promotion of human rights, democracy and conflict prevention in and outside the EU. The vision of the HRDN is that human rights and democracy are placed at the heart of the EU's internal	The International Foundation for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders (member of HRDN) Leonor Rebassa Front Line EU Office Irebassa@frontlinedefenders.org	Front Line was established with the specific aim of looking at security and protection for human rights defenders. At the heart of Front Line's work is the need to constantly assess best methods of providing fast and effective protection to those who find themselves facing a situation of great risk. This does not mean getting involved in the work of those who approach us, nor of getting involved in general human rights work. The focus is clearly on addressing the needs identified by the defenders themselves, including protection, networking, capacity building and access to the existing thematic and country mechanisms of the UN and other regional bodies. http://www.frontlinedefenders.org
and external policy agenda. This vision should manifest itself in a EU that effectively protects human rights at home and is a force for positive change in the world. In pursuit of this vision, the network aims to influence EU and member state human rights policies and the programming of their funding instruments to promote democracy, human rights and sustainable peace.	Club of Madrid (member of HRDN) Nicolas Rougy Director Brussels Office nrougy @clubmadrid.org	The Club of Madrid responds to the demand for leader-to-leader support to confront today's global, regional and national democratic leadership challenges. It is an independent organization dedicated to strengthening democratic values and leadership around the world by drawing on the unique experience and resources of its Members -more than 70 democratic former Heads of State and Government from 50 countries who contribute their time, experience and knowledge to this mission. The Club of Madrid's membership constitutes the world's largest forum of ex-Presidents and ex- Prime Ministers and offers today's leaders an unequalled body of knowledge and political leadership. www.clubmadrid.org

Euro-Mediterranean Humar Network (EMHRN) (mem HRDN) Sandrine Grenier Advocacy Director, Brussels sgr@euromedrights.net	ber of composé de plus de 60 membres représentant des organisations de défense des droits de l'Homme, des institutions et des personnes situées dans 30 pays de la région euro-méditerranéenne. Sa mission est la promotion et le renforcement des droits de l'Homme et des réformes démocratiques dans le cadre du processus de Barcelone et de la coopération entre l'UE et le monde arabe. www.euromedrights.net
International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) (men HRDN) Antoine Madelin Directeur des activités au OIG et délégué permanen de l'Union européenne amadelin@fidh.org	nber of sur l'enquête, le témoignage, l'action militante et juridique pour la défense et le respect des droits de l'Homme. Depuis près de 90 ans, la FIDH agit près des pour le respect des libertés fondamentales, la protection des victimes et la
International Center for Transitional Justice (member of HRDN) Santa Falasca Senior EU Affairs Manager SFalasca@ictj.org	(ICTJ) The International Center for Transitional Justice works to redress and prevent the most severe violations of human rights by confronting legacies of mass abuse. ICTJ seeks holistic solutions to promote accountability and create just and peaceful societies. To fulfill that mission, ICTJ links experience from its many field programs with its research in transitional justice. This allows ICTJ to develop, test and refine field practices and remain a research leader. ICTJ uses this knowledge to inform and advise governments, civil society and other stakeholders working on behalf of victims. It seeks to persuade those stakeholders, the media and the general public of the need for justice and accountability. ICTJ works in societies emerging from repressive rule or armed conflict, as well in other societies where legacies of abuse remain unresolved. ICTJ is present in more than 20 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America.

		Website: <u>http://www.ictj.org/en/about/mission/index.html</u>
International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) ITUC is the main international trade union organisation, representing the interests of working people worldwide. It has 312 affiliated member organisations in 156 countries and territories, with a total membership of 176 million workers. The ITUC was founded on 1 -3 November 2006. The ITUC's primary mission is the promotion and defence of workers' rights and interests, through international cooperation between trade unions, global campaigning and advocacy within the major global institutions. The Programme Document adopted at the ITUC founding Congress sets out the Confederation's overall policy framework. Its main areas of activity include: trade union and human rights, economy, society and the workplace, equality and non-discrimination, international solidarity".	June Sorensen Bedaton June.Sorensen@ituc-csi.org Mustapha Tlili mustapha.tlili@ituc-csi.org Nezam Qahoush ituc-jor@wanadoo.jo Eva Hjul eva.hjul@lotcobistand.org	
<b>The European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO)</b> is the platform of European NGOs, networks of NGOs and think tanks active in the field of peacebuilding, which share an interest in promoting sustainable	Policy Officer EPLO	See EPLO

<ul> <li>peacebuilding policies among decision-makers in the European Union.</li> <li>EPLO aims to influence the EU so it promotes and implements measures which lead to sustainable peace between states and within states and peoples and which transform and resolve conflicts non-violently. EPLO wants the EU to recognise the crucial connection between peacebuilding, the eradication of poverty, and sustainable development worldwide, and the crucial role NGOs have to play in sustainable EU efforts for peacebuilding, conflict prevention and crisis management.</li> <li>EPLO's member organisations are engaged in a wide variety of peacebuilding activities worldwide, including research, advocacy, training, mediation and dialogue; DDR and post-conflict economic development, security and justice sector reform, conflict sensitive development, early warning, gender, the arms trade and civilian peacekeeping. <a href="http://www.eplo.org/">http://www.eplo.org/</a></li> </ul>	Philippe Bartholmé EU Relations Officer Interpeace (member of EPLO) bartholme@interpeace.org Boriana Jonsson Kvinna till Kvinna boriana.jonsson@kvinnatillkvinna.se	Created in 1994, Interpeace is an international peacebuilding organisation, with headquarters in Geneva, that plays a discrete role in helping societies torn apart by violent conflict and civil war, to build lasting peace. With over 300 local peacebuilders, Interpeace operates as an independent non-governmental organisation and in partnership with the United Nations. Interpeace focuses on reinforcing local capacities to overcome deep social divisions and to address conflict in non-violent ways. Interpeace works with local peacebuilding teams, made up of nationals from the country concerned, to facilitate dialogue with all sectors of society (governments, opposition groups, civil society, private sector representatives, diasporas, etc). These dialogue processes enable populations directly affected by conflict to rebuild trust, to define priorities for social, economic and political rehabilitation, to find consensus-based solutions to conflict, and to assist with their implementation. http://www.interpeace.org/
Euro-Mediterranean Foundation of Support to Human Rights Defenders (EMHRF)	Khémaïs Chammari Founding member of the EMHRF khe.chamm@wanadoo.fr	The EMHRF aims at promoting and enhancing a human rights culture and the consolidation of a nascent democratic civil society within the South- Mediterranean region by providing a strategic financial assistance and support to local, national and regional human rights non-governmental organizations and institutes as well as individuals who promote, support, protect and monitor the observance of human rights in the region. Grants are allocated to human rights defenders in difficulty or at risk, for the specific purpose of allowing them to pursue their activities, as well as

		to small human rights organizations or groups with the aim of strengthening their capacities in implementing innovative activities in the region. www.emhrf.org
IREX Europe	Mike de Villiers Director <u>mdevilliers@europe.irex.org</u>	IREX Europe is an international non-profit development organisation specialising in designing and implementing civil society, independent media and education development programmes. The IREX Europe approach emphasises partnerships with local development organisations to expand capacity, build sustainable institutions and effect change. IREX Europe has effectively implemented many media development projects providing training to journalists and media professionals in order to strengthen media standards, increase the scope of professional and objective news coverage and provide for the sustainability of the media landscape. IREX Europe currently implements two large EIDHR funded projects focused on Belarus. IREX Europe specialises in training practical journalism skills, with a news-you-can-use approach, and a focus on linking media with its community through local reporting, citizen-based journalism. Increasingly IREX Europe is also using media as an important vehicle for discussion and dialogue aimed at reducing conflict and tension between communities and peoples. http://europe.irex.org
BBC World Trust	Simon Derry Regional Director	With its origins in the BBC World Service, the BBC World Service Trust is an international NGO which uses media and communications to reduce poverty and promote human rights. The Trust was formed in 1999 and currently works in 30 countries in Asia, Africa, the Middle East and the Former Soviet Union. The Trust has an unrivalled reputation for delivering media training and high quality media content, and is frequently able to work in contexts, and with partners, where no other media development organization is welcomed. http://www.bbc.co.uk
Deutsche Welle	Patrick Leusch Head of Division Project Development	DW-AKADEMIE is the leading German media development organization and part of Deutsche Welle, Germany's International Broadcaster. DW- AKADEMIE is committed to promote freedom of opinion around the world. Its projects contribute to more openness, transparency and participation in the electronic media of developing and transition countries. DW-AKADEMIE has a network of partners around the world. As

Penal Reform International	Taghreed Jaber Regional Director, Middle East and North Africa tjaber@penalreform.org	a global player, it emphasizes cross-border projects in media development cooperation and, with its international partners, jointly works to promote the media. DW-AKADEMIE offers training and consulting programs customized to meet the target group's needs. More than 20,000 media employees from around the world have already taken part in DW- AKADEMIE courses. Amongst others free and fair media ensure a functioning democracy and rule of law in a country. This places a great responsibility on journalists. In many countries of the world, there are no free media and journalists are manipulated, persecuted and threatened. DW-AKADEMIE is convinced that journalists can best fulfill their responsibilities as critical observers and reporters if they are professionally trained and committed to the ethical code of their chosen career. <u>www.dw-akademie.de</u> Penal Reform International is an international non-governmental organisation working on penal and criminal justice reform worldwide. PRI has regional programmes in the Great Lakes, the Middle East and North Africa, Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia, the South Caucasus and North America. PRI experience includes lobbying for change, drafting and advising on international standards and national legislation, training professionals within the criminal justice and penal systems, implementing practical programmes to implement reform and raising public awareness and understanding of the need for change through working with civil society and the press. PRI's Middle East and North Africa office based in Amman, currently operates in Jordan, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Yemen, Lebanon, Bahrain and Sudan. The office runs two regional projects