



June 2015

[Top of page](#)

Highlights

Recommendations of the second High Level Seminar on Economic Diaspora in the Mediterranean



The Aqaba Seminar of 2 and 3 June 2015 was held under the patronage of Dr. Yousef Mansour, Chief Commissioner of ASEZA and HE Yaseen Khayyat, Member of the Jordanian Senate.

It brought together for two days over 40 participants representing private sector associations, NGOs, international organisations, local and national authorities as well as representatives from the Diaspora from Egypt, France, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine and Tunisia.

These personalities formed the follow-up

committee of the recommendations made in Marseille in June 2014 during the previous seminar, and contributed to steer and enrich them.

Download the [recommendations](#)

MedGeneration in Palestine: Study tour for the Diaspora

Palestinian Diaspora established in France and Germany participated in May 2015 in a study tour in Ramallah. These entrepreneurs, journalists and doctors met the main actors of the local economic ecosystem (policy makers, investment agencies, start-up incubators, equity funds, etc.) in order to better understand the services offered by the country to Palestinian Diaspora members and the positive role they could play for the economic development of the country. These talents from Diaspora also attended a pitching session of Palestinian entrepreneurs who were incubated by the Palestine Information and Communication Technologies Incubator (PICTI).





Success stories



Safaa Alhamaydeh
Entrepreneur



Zahi Alawi
Journalist



News

Start-up: UK invests on Lebanon's Tech Start-ups

Backed by the British government and Banque du Liban (BDL), the UK Lebanon Tech Hub was launched in Beirut. It will support the investment in the regional tech sector. This collaboration aims to stimulate the start-ups development and the creation of new businesses. [\[Read+\]](#)



Palestine: M. Abbas calls on economic Diaspora to invest

Palestinian Authority President made his call during an investment conference organised by the Palestine International Business Group held in Ramallah. The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics estimates that the Palestinian Diaspora count more than 5 million people. [\[Read+\]](#)



Tunisia: New measures for expatriates

After the ministerial restricted council of 21 May 2015, the Tunisian government announced new measures in favour of expatriates. It has also examined a draft law for the creation of a national council for Tunisians living abroad. [\[Read+\]](#)



Lebanon: Diaspora Energy Congress 2015

From 21 to 23 May 2015, a thousand members of the Lebanese diaspora have pledged to highlight their achievements and to "materialise their loyalty to Lebanon by supporting its economy." The conference ended with the signature of the Beirut Pact. [\[Read+\]](#)



Lebanon: Reversing the brain drain

The Lebanese Association of Engineers from French Grandes Ecoles tries to help their alumni. One of the association's goals is to help their Lebanese alumni who are currently working abroad to find opportunities in Lebanon. [\[Read+\]](#)



Jordan: USAID to support the Diaspora Network

Through the network and its new online portal, Jordan-based professionals can collaborate with their peers abroad to share expertise and explore new market opportunities. Main sectors include information and communication technology, clean technology, healthcare and life sciences. [\[Read+\]](#)



[View all news](#)

[Top of page](#)



Europe

InvestHorizon: The European investment readiness programme

Toulon / Dublin / Copenhagen / Lisbon - From 01/07/2015 to 1/11/2015 [\[Read+\]](#)

Italy

The Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation Summer School 2015

Santa Margherita di Pula, Sardinia - From 28/09/2015 to 2/10/2015 [\[Read+\]](#)

[View all events](#)

Contact and information

Coordinator: Mathias Fillon, mathias.fillon@anima.coop

Communication Officer: Lauriane Ammouche, lauriane.ammouche@anima.coop

Download the [project brochure](#)

www.medgeneration.eu
info@medgeneration.eu

[Top of page](#)

This publication has been produced with the financial assistance of the European Union under the ENPI CBC Mediterranean Sea Basin Programme. The contents of this document are the sole responsibility of ANIMA Investment Network and can under no circumstances be regarded as reflecting the position of the European Union or of the Programme's management structures.

The total amount of the project's budget is € 1.92 million, 90% financed by the European Union through the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument and 10% by partners or other sources funding. It is implemented on a 24-month period from December 2013 to December 2015.

The 2007-2013 ENPI CBC Mediterranean Sea Basin Programme is a multilateral Cross-Border Cooperation initiative funded by the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI). The Programme objective is to promote the sustainable and harmonious cooperation process at the Mediterranean Basin level by dealing with the common challenges and enhancing its endogenous potential. It finances cooperation projects as a contribution to the economic, social, environmental and cultural development of the Mediterranean region. The following 14 countries participate in the Programme: Cyprus, Egypt, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Lebanon, Malta, Palestine, Portugal, Spain, Syria (participation currently suspended), Tunisia. The Joint Managing Authority (JMA) is the Autonomous Region of Sardinia (Italy). Official Programme languages are Arabic, English and French (www.enpicbcmec.eu).

The European Union is made up of 28 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms. The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders.



**ENPI
CBCMED**
CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION
IN THE MEDITERRANEAN



Project funded by the
EUROPEAN UNION



[Forward email](#)



Ce courrier électronique a été envoyé à lydie.cornand@anima.coop

par info@medgeneration.eu |

[Mettre à jour le profil/le courriel](#) | Suppression immédiate à l'aide de [SafeUnsubscribe™](#) | [Politique de confidentialité](#).

ANIMA Investment Network | 11 b rue Saint Ferréol | Marseille | 13001 | France