

## **The EU 'Investing in people Programme' and Gender Equality**

### ***Human and social development: everyone's right***

Women, men and children throughout the world must be able to benefit from care and illness prevention, have access to education and culture and have their rights and needs respected. Skills development and access to decent work are also included among these rights. It is a question of the lives and well-being of millions of people, as well as the development of their country. This is why the world-wide thematic programme "Investing in people" supports actions in six different areas, which cover nearly all Millennium Development Goals:

- good health for all;
- education, knowledge and skills;
- **gender equality**;
- other aspects of social and human development such as:
  - employment and social cohesion;
  - youth and children;
  - culture.

The total budget for the "Investing in people" programme is 1 billion euro for the period 2007-2013.

### ***Support to gender equality in the occupied Palestinian territory (OPT)***

There is no specific allocation for Palestine under 'Investing in People'. However, a total of 10 contracts have been awarded to Palestine in calls for proposals launched under the 'Gender Equality' component for the ENPI-South region during the period 2007-2013.

### ***For further information and updates:***

[http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/what/gender/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/what/gender/index_en.htm)

[http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/how/finance/dci/investing\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/how/finance/dci/investing_en.htm)

## Grants awarded in the oPt under 'Investing in People-Gender equality'

TITLE	START	END	BENEFICIARY	AMOUNT	TARGET GROUPS
Promoting Women's rights, combating violence against women: Building a sustainable legal-health-social service referral system in the Palestinian Territories	1/1/2009	1/1/2012	WOMEN'S CENTRE FOR LEGAL AID & COUNSELLING ASSOCIATION - JUZOOR FOUNDATION FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	791,918	Decision makers from the relevant ministries, civil society organisations, networks, coalitions, doctors, nurses, midwives, social workers, police officers, heads of police academy, medical schools, midwifery schools and nursing schools
Access to Justice for Poor Women (including awareness on labour rights)	1/2/2009	1/5/2011	PALESTINIAN CENTER FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF JUDICIARY AND THE LEGAL PROFESSION ASSOCIATION - RELIEF INTERNATIONAL UK	535,526	Lawyers, SME Employers, Local Councils, Labour Unions, Female Workers, CBOs, Government Ministries

Inheritance denied: Combating gender inequality in property rights in Palestine	1/3/2010	1/3/2013	DAN CHURCH AID - EAST JERUSALEM YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION (YMCA) -	750,000	Women, Women CBOs & their staff, women lawyers, journalists, human rights/women's rights experts, community leaders, CSOs, duty bearers
I am a woman	1/1/2011	31/12/2012	SHASHAT WOMEN'S CINEMA - WOMEN'S CENTRE FOR LEGAL AID & COUNSELLING – AL AQSA UNIVERSITY	570,425	Youth audiences at universities and community centers, women audiences, social, psychological and legal counsellors, viewers of local TV stations
Promoting peace opportunities through ending exploitation of women's rights in East Jerusalem: a Palestinian-European-Israeli partnership	1/1/2011	1/7/2012	AL-MAQDESE FOR SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION - BIMKOM PLANNERS FOR PLANNING RIGHTS - CENTRO STUDI ED INIZIATIVE EUROPEO	320,000	Palestinian women in EJ who suffered and are still suffering from house demolitions, forced evictions and displacements.

Supporting the efforts of women-based organizations on the elimination of discrimination against women and GBV in the southern area of Gaza Strip	1/1/2011	1/1/2014	BUNIAN ASSOCIATION FOR TRAINING, EVALUATION & COMMUNITY STUDIES	379,000	Women CBOs and their audiences, female graduates in law and media, communities in the south of Gaza Strip
Inheritance Denied II: Promoting Palestinian women's social and economic rights through encouraging access to inheritance	01/05/2013	30/04/2016	DAN CHURCH AID	1,474,704	Palestinian women, men and youth; women interest promoting CBOs & Civil Society Organizations (CSOs); community leaders, village councils, Tribal leaders, Sheikhs and other religious persons; banking and insurance professionals; lawyers, Sharia court counselors and other legal service providers; policy makers and other duty bearers; key ministries including the Ministry of Justice and teachers and supervisors from the Ministry of Education
Women's socio-economic empowerment in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (oPt)	1/1/2013	31/12/2015	PREMIERE URGENCE - AIDE MEDICALE	1,269,127	rural women CBOs ; women, women with disabilities; students; children; men and traditional leaders

Step Forward - Young Women's Economic Empowerment	01/01/2013	31/12/2015	SHAREK YOUTH FORUM ASSOCIATION	473,937	Young women aged 18-29 years, including graduates and current students, and young women in marginalised or rural areas
INCLUDE - Socio-economic empowerment of women with disabilities in Gaza Strip	01/01/2013	31/12/2014	EDUCAID	759,441	NGOs and CBOs working with WWDs; aged 25-35 graduated girls/women; media activists; women/girls aged 22-30 with disabilities ; social microenterprises