

MoreThanAJob

The official launch of MoreThanAJob project
(Reinforcing social and solidarity economy for the
unemployed, uneducated and refugees)

Amman - Jordan, 27th and 28th of November 2019



The MoreThanAJob project was officially launched on November 27 and 28, 2019 at Grand Hyatt Amman Hotel, Jordan. It aims at enforcing the social inclusion of vulnerable, unemployed populations through the application of best practices for more effective collaboration of the social and solidarity economy (SSE) actors with the public administration.

The **MoreThanAJob** project consortium's partners were gathered for 2 days to discuss their project. The kick off meeting started by an opening speech delivered by Mr. Emad Shana'ah, ENI CBC MED National Contact Point – Jordan and a welcome note delivered by the project coordinator Dr. Imad Ibrik welcoming the seven fellow partners coming from the five below Mediterranean countries: AN-Najah National University (ANNU) – Palestine, Nablus chamber of commerce and industry (NCCI) – Palestine, Ministry of Public Works & Housing (MPWH) – Jordan, Mutah

University (MUTAH) – Jordan, Business Consultancy and Training Services (BCTS) – Lebanon, International Cooperation (CESIE) – Italy, Eurotraining Educational Organization SA (EUROTRAINING) – Greece.

Discussions about tailoring the project activities into countries different contexts, were conducted by **MoreThanAJob** partners .This collective brainstorming exercise has led to the suggestions of different course correction measures which will be further elaborated during the inception report.

The first day focused on the project vision, objectives, and outcomes as well as the partners' individual expectations based on their previous experiences. Furthermore, the work packages were presented and discussed among all partners, the tasks of the initial work packages were discussed in depth and further developed in brainstorming sessions.

The second day was initiated by Dr. Esmat AlKaradsheh, the coordinator of ENI CBC MED Eastern Mediterranean Branch office. Presentations tackling the summary of deliverables, activities, milestones and events intended to be conducted during the first year, as well as the existing situation in partner countries were presented and discussed. At the end of the launch event, the partners agreed on conducting press conferences in the five targeted countries; Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon, Italy and Greece. Moreover, further work planning and discussions will be regularly conducted between partners to insure an efficient implementation of the project in a context specific environment.

It is worth mentioning that **MoreThanAJob** (Reinforcing social and solidarity economy for the unemployed, uneducated and refugees) is a project funded by the European Union, under the ENI CBC MED programme. The programme is managed by the Autonomous Region of Sardinia (Italy) and aims to promote cross-border cooperation in the Mediterranean region.

This 2 million euros project is expected to contribute the promotion of social inclusion by providing the following: At least 3 train-the-trainer workshops for public administration officers, 100 participants will be trained from SSE actors, 90 public officers trained in employment and education schemes for refugees, €200,000 in sub-grants to support innovative SSE initiatives, 10 agreements between public administrations and relevant stakeholders for coordinated planning and implementation of social services. Finally, the publication of 6 reports containing new/improved policy recommendations.

Upcoming event: MoreThanAJob next partners meeting will be held in Palermo - Italy, on March 19 and 20, 2020.

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