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## “Youth Strategy to Combat Societal Violence in Jordan”

**Event:** Training Workshop

**Date, City:** 02. November 2013, Geneva Hotel, Amman - Jordan

**Organization:** KAS Amman Office, Action on Societal Violence - KAFA

### Program

**Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2013**

#### **Welcoming Session**

Director  
Action on Societal Violence - KAFA  
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Project Manager  
Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung  
Jordan Office  
Amman - Jordan

Ms. Nidaa Al Shraideh  
On behalf of the Resident Representative Dr. Otmar Oehring

#### **Session 1: Our vision and mission**

Creating our vision  
Stating our mission

#### **Session 2: Our Objectives and strategies**

Defining our objectives  
Identifying our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT analysis)  
Identifying our strategies

#### **Session 3: Identifying targets and agents of change: who should benefit? Who can help?**

#### **Session 4: Putting together our action plan for 2014**

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Break up into small groups organized by strategy  
Small groups report  
Building consensus on action plan

#### **Session 4: Plan for organizing work within groups and the bigger**

#### **Network**

#### **Wrap up and closing**

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## Introduction

The Workshop on "Youth Strategy to Combat Societal Violence in Jordan" was organized by Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung and Action on Societal Violence- KAFA. It was attended by around 45 young men and women from nine governorates of Jordan. The age group was 17-30. The participants are either students or professionals in various fields, have varying degrees of experience in voluntary work and had received training by Jordanian and international NGOs. Four members of the Jordanian Youth Parliament also participated<sup>1</sup>.

## Objectives of the workshop:

To bring together young men and women from the various governorates of the north, south and centre of Jordan to formulate a strategy and a plan of actions which they will implement in their cities and towns in order to decrease societal violence.

## The proceedings of the Workshop

After welcoming notes from Miss Nidaa Al-Shraideh, KAS Amman Program Manager, the workshop was facilitated by Lina Abu Nuwar, KAFA Director.

By breaking up the group into groups, the facilitator moved the participants into formulating their vision ("Towards Jordan free of societal violence") and mission: (To create a complimentary and coop-

<sup>1</sup> An independent youth initiative consisting of twenty-seven members representing various social, political and regional backgrounds. The twenty seven representatives were elected according to a closed list electoral process mainly through Facebook campaigns where they published their reform programs. Elections were supervised the Independent Youth Electoral Commission by which was formed to draft the elections law and oversee elections.

erative environment in Jordan to reduce societal violence through awareness raising and capacity development).

The participants agreed that the target groups for their work will be the following:

- Universities and schools
- Upper and lower houses of parliaments
- Local communities, including home makers and the unemployed

They also identified the groups which may be of assistance and support to their work:

- Government institutions in Amman and the governorates
- Educational institutions
- Tribal and community leaders
- Civil society institutions including youth clubs

The group afterwards carried out a SWAT analysis of its internal and external environment and defined its objectives and its strategies for 2014-2015. It also identified its action plan for 2014. (The drafting of these is currently being finalized and will be submitted with the strategy document.)

## Next Steps:

The immediate next steps are:

- To finalize the strategy document, print it and officially announce it to the media
- Arrange visits to the possible supporting groups to introduce the strategy to them and garner their support to the action plan items.
- Nominate coordinators for the groups in the various areas of Jordan. These will function as focal points of contact with KAFA and will assist in the organization of the group members on the ground

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- Solicit funding for the activities, either from local institutions/ companies or international donors.

A secret Facebook page has already been established for the participants and administered by KAFA. Steps to follow are already being discussed and the members of the group are showing enthusiasm for the work ahead.