



## Yemen Peace School Organization (YPSO)

### Field of Activity

Promote peaceful inclusive societies for sustainable development

### Vision and mission

YPSO aims to be a reference for best practices and experiences to contribute seriously to the **consolidation of peace by focusing on sustainable development goals.**

YPSO main objectives are:

- Building the capacities of youth and women in political participation and peacebuilding.
- Adopting and advocating national reconciliation programs and concepts.
- Implementing targeted programs in sustainable development and early recovery for sustainable peace.
- Stimulating social and economic transformation by providing research, studies, and information to policymakers and peace and development activists.

### ACTIVITIES

Work in partnership with many national and international humanitarian organizations concerned with building peace and stopping wars and armed conflicts to achieve sustainable and comprehensive human development leading to positive, just and sustainable peace, based on **high-quality independent studies and research** on the peace situation in Yemen implemented by a highly specialized team.

### MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS

- ❖ Four illustrated reportage polls - four e-bulletins (working paper) - a set of recommendations and suggestions on 2019 Peace Knowledge Salon
- ❖ Societal accountability program to promote democratic governance as a set of values and principles that underpin the relationship between the state and society
- ❖ Research Paper on "The impact of war on the phenomenon of street children"
- ❖ Shadow Report on Beijing 25+
- ❖ Advocacy programs and trainings to raise awareness on gender issues and peace building



**Country: Yemen**



**Year of foundation: 2017**



**Areas of intervention:**

Sana'a, Aden, Taiz , Marib, Sayun, Al-Amana



**STAFF: 9**

employees, 4 are women



**Network**

Civil Peace Building Coalition,

International coalition for children, UNOY Youth and Peace Network, International Women's Peace Group (IWPG), Peace Partners Network



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YPSO's Contributions to Naseej's workstreams:

**2**

**Community Engagement**



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# YPSO's activities supported by Naseej: an overview

## Locations



Taiz-AlModhfar and Salah Districts

## Budget



€ 49.950

## Timeframe



18 months

## Naseej's workstreams

**Stream 1 (Services Delivery)**  
Strengthening support and referral services and reporting systems for women and girls GBV survivors

**Stream 2 (Community Engagement)**  
Transforming the social norms that perpetuate GBV with a special focus on youth engagement



**Stream 3 (Policy Change)**  
Strengthening development and implementation of national GBV legislation



### Develop two policy papers

2 national consultants will be recruited to develop 2 policy papers. The first one for the discriminatory gender and social norms at the local level; the second one for the results and impact of all the project activities (awareness sessions, community dialogue, lobbying meetings). A two-day launch event for each policy papers will take place in each district: the first day with the local authorities and social leaders and the second day for the women's civil societies, women leaders and women's initiatives.

### Create a youth raising awareness team



**6 youth** will be selected for a 6 days training (3 in each district) on SGBV, gender issues and changing social norms with emphasis on SGBV.

### Awareness raising session for community provided by the youth agents

A community awareness session will be conducted by the youth agents on Almaafr and shamayatin districts in Taiz governorate to transform social norms, beliefs, and attitudes on GBV. The team will implement 14 awareness sessions, 7 in each district, targeting **280 people** from the community (with focus on the **lower class in society**, in particular mothers, fathers, grandmothers, grandfathers marginalized group, IDPs group)

### Community Dialogue Session to raise awareness on GBV issues

**14 community dialogue sessions (7 in each district)** on GBV and other related topics will be held by the youth agents to social groups including teacher, social worker.

### Production 2 infographic videos

Starting from the issues developed in the policy papers, create 2 videos to disseminate and advocate via internet in the Republic of Yemen in order to **scale-up the raising awareness objective**.

### Activate and feed with content the platform 1325

Already existing platform for YPS **specialized in advocating women's issues** from the perspective of UN Resolution 1325. Publishing advocacy messages resulting from the outputs of the project – ideally by creating 4 messages per month during 6 month.

### Lobbying and advocacy

Select **10 Community leaders** (imams, chief of neighborhood, shikes, journalist, etc...) from Almaafr and Shamayatin districts. Select the most active participants from the launch of policy papers events to discussed the result of awareness sessions, community dialogue and policy paper and develop a future strategy for the further steps such as write a code of conduct against any kind of SGBV.



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Against Women and Girls in the MENA Region

