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The Red Euro-árabe para el Desarrollo y la Integración (READI) was created in 2001 to boost the integration of ONG's of Mediterranean countries and to promote new forms of participation between civil society organizations, the governments and the business sector. Its objectives also include awareness tasks on both coasts of the Mediterranean region with actions that promote integral human development and allow a better understanding of the social reality of these countries.

The READI has currently 42 members actively working on the development and social integration of the Mediterranean countries. Since 2008, the READI carried out awareness-raising projects in Spain to publicize the reality of disadvantaged countries in this geographical area.

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1- United Natios: FAO, ECOSOC

The Fundación Promoción Social de la Cultura (from this point on, FPSC) agreed to the formal status of FAO with the invaluable support of READ, therefore, the activities that FPSC develops in FAO, could be among the READI activities.

In 2014, READI was present in FAO, through FPSC, on the World Food Day which was held on 14th October 2014.

That way, Blanca de Mesa, Director of Institutional Relations of the FPSC met Mrs. Nora Ourabah Haddad, who is in charge of the office of partnerships of FAO, to work on ways to collaborate between FPSC-READI and FAO.

On 9th September 2014, FPSC was present at the United Nations High Level Forum on the Culture of Peace, which was celebrated in New York. The motive of the meeting was to reflect on the best means to promote culture and peace. The President of the LXVIII General Assembly wanted to emphasize the carrying out of the NNUU programmes since 1999.

2- Participation of the members of READI in the activities of the Center for Middle East Studies of the FPSC (CEMOFPSC)

On 12th and 13th February 2014, the CEMOFPSC organized a meeting with the objective to contribute to the consolidation of democratic processes in the Middle East. In "The Agenda Post 2015 and the Spanish Cooperation facing the *Arab spring*", the opportunities and threats that the *Arab spring* means to the Ayuda Oficial al Desarollo (AOD) in the Middle East within the framework of the Objetivos de Desarollo Sostenible (ODS) and the PDCE 2013-2016 and contributed to the debate on the Agenda Post 2015 and the ODS within the framework of the Spanish Cooperation in the Middle East. In this sense, good governability practices respectful of the human rights were presented, such as the inclusion of people with a disability in the teams that are responsible for the humanitarian response to the Syrian crisis or the harmonic collaboration between international donors, public institutions and the civil society.

In the seminar participated important figures such as: Mons. William Shomali, Obispo Auxiliar of Jerusalem, de General Consul of Spain in Jerusalem, Juan José Escobar, Bassem Khoury, former Minister of Economy in Palestine, Nadia Hilou, former deputy of the Israeli labour party, Saman Khoury, General Director of the Forum for Peace and Democracy of Palestine, Gershon Baskin, founder and co-president of the Consejo Directivo del Centro de Investigación e Información israelo-palestino (IPCRI), John Gattrutter, Representative of the European Union (EU) in the West Bank and Gaza, Fateh Azzam, Director of the Asfari Institute for Civil Society and Citizenship of the American University of Beirut y Abla Amawi, Responsible of the programme of support to UNWOMEN in Jerusalem, Annie Medzaghopian, Executive Director of the Al Hussein Society and member of READI and Irene Hazou, academic Vice President of the University of Bethlehem.

On 1 April 2014, a report was presented about the impact of the revolutions of the *Arab spring* on the human development of the Middle East countries, drawn up by the CEMOFPSC team, with the advice of national and international experts, like: Alia Al Dalli, Regional Director of UNDP in El Cairo (Egypt); Giuseppe Belsito, Representative of UN Women in Jordan and Syria (Jordan); Marta Martí, Responsible of the Office in Spain of the United Nations of the Agency for Refugees (UNRWA), José Antonia Naya, Director of ICU Liban (Libanon) and member of READI, and Riccardo Gavioli, responsible for a project financed by UNOCHA for the Syrian refugees in Jordan.

List of members of READI 2014

JORDAN

- 1. Al Hussein Society
- 2. Jordanian Hashemite Fund for Human Development (JOHUD)
- Latin Vicariate of Jordan

LEBANON

- Arc en Ciel
- 5. Association Najdeh
- 6. René Moawad Foundation (RMF)
- 7. La Libanaise Femme Du 31 Mai (LFM)
- 8. The National Association for Vocational Training and Social Services (NAVTASS)
- 9. Association Libanaise pour le Développement de la Culture (ALDEC)
- 10. Association for the Development of Rural Capacities (ADR)

ITALY

- Asociación Arces
- 12. Istituto per la Cooperazione Universitaria (ICU)

SPAIN

- 13. Asociación Centro de Estudios y Solidaridad con América Latina (CESAL)
- 14. Ayuda, Intercambio y Desarrollo (AIDA)
- 15. Cooperación Internacional
- Fundación Albihar
- 17. Fundación Canfranc
- Fundación Cauce
- Fundación Cume
- 20. Fundación Dasyc
- 21. Fundación Onay
- 22. Fundación Prodean

- 23. Fundación Promoción Social de la Cultura (FPSC)
- 24. Fundación Rode
- 25. Fundación Syad. Servicios y Actividades Divulgativas

TUNISIA

- Caritas Tunisie
- 27. Fondation El Kef pour Le Développement Régional
- 28. Appui Aux Initiatives de Développement (A.I.D.)

PALESTINE

- 29. Palestinian Hydrology Group for Water and Environmental Resources Development (PHG)
- 30. Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committee (PARC)
- 31. Palestinian Center for the Dissemination of Democracy and Community Development (PANORAMA)
- 32. Latin Patriarchate Of Jerusalem (LPJ)
- 33. Ad Diyar Consultant

MAROC

- 34. Association Marocaine pour la Promotion de la Femme Rurale (AMPFR)
- Solidarité Féminine

ALGERIA

- Association Culturelle M'Barek
- 37. Association des Femmes Algériennes pour le Développement (AFAD)

MAURITANIA

- 38. Association Développement, Environnement et Communication en Adrar (ADECA)
- 39. Bureau d'Etudes en Ingénierie d'Education et de Formation (B.E.I.E.F)

HONORARY MEMBERS

- 40. Caritas Jerusalem
- 41. Pontifical Mission for Palestine
- 42. Fady Yarak, Director General del Ministerio de Educación del Líbano