



Ministero degli Affari Esteri  
e della Cooperazione Internazionale



# PEACEMIED

ENHANCING PEACE AS A COMMON GOOD AND  
STRENGTHENING CSOs IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

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**Cofinanced by Italian government:**

Italy, Greece, Cyprus, Spain, Malta, Tunisia,  
Egypt, Morocco, Lebanon, Holy Land, Syria,  
Türkiye

# COUNTRIES INVOLVED



**Fully financed by Caritas Italiana and  
Caritas Ambrosiana:**

Iraq, Jordan, Mauritania, Djibouti, Somalia,  
Iran ⊕ Libya, Algeria

# CSOs INVOLVED

## ITALY

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Caritas Italiana  
ACLI

## GREECE

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Caritas Greece  
Odyssea Amke

## CYPRUS

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Caritas Cyprus

## SPAIN

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Caritas Spain

## MALTA

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Caritas Malta  
Fondazzjoni Dar  
il-Hena

## TUNISIA

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Caritas Tunisia

## EGYPT

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Caritas Egypt  
Catholic  
Diocesan office

## MOROCCO

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Caritas Morocco  
High Atlas  
Foundation

## LEBANON

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Caritas Lebanon  
St. Vincent de  
Paul

## HOLY LAND

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Caritas Jerusalem  
Al-Liqa Center

# CSOs INVOLVED

## **TÜRKIYE**

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Caritas Türkiye

Olive Branch

## **SYRIA**

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Caritas Syria

## **IRAQ**

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Caritas Iraq

## **JORDAN**

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Caritas Jordan

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Caritas Iran

## **MAURITANIA**

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Caritas Mauritania

## **SOMALIA**

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Caritas Somalia

## **DJIBOUTI**

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Caritas Djibouti

## **CARITAS MONA**

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Middle East and  
North Africa

# OBJECTIVES

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**General Objective:** contributing to the promotion of peace as a common good and as a means for integration and inclusion between the shores of the Mediterranean by strengthening civil society organisations

## SO1

Enhancing the professional skills of CSOs

## ER1

Acquisition of advanced participatory skills and methodologies to train and involve animators in peace and sustainable development initiatives in local communities

## SO2

Strengthening CSO governance in the field of peace as a common good

## ER2

Creation of a regional network and a permanent working table to coordinate joint peace initiatives, strengthening the impact of local CSOs

duration of the project:  
12 months, starting in  
December 2024

# TIMELINE

SO 1: enhancing the  
professional skills of CSOs

MARCH 2025

INTENSIVE WORKSHOP  
(CYPRUS)

JULY 2025

RESIDENTIAL SUMMER  
SCHOOL (ITALY)

AUGUST-  
NOVEMBER 2025

CASCADE TRAINING AND  
FINAL CONFERENCE (TUNIS  
tbc)

JANUARY-  
FEBRUARY 2025

TRAINING NEEDS ANALYSIS

MARCH-JUNE  
2025

ONLINE TRAINING COURSE  
FOR SKILLS DEVELOPMENT  
AND TOOLKIT PREPARATION

MARCH-  
NOVEMBER 2025

TOOLKIT DEVELOPMENT AND  
DISTRIBUTION

# TOR PARTICIPANTS

January-February 2025

## IDENTIFY TRAINING NEEDS

- Participants will be required to **identify their training needs** by completing an online questionnaire

March 2025

## INTENSIVE IN-PERSON WORKSHOP

- Participants will attend a two-day intensive workshop in Cyprus to **acquire advanced tools and participatory methodologies for community engagement and youth mobilization** with a focus on peace, sustainable development and regional integration

March-June 2025

## ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAM

- Participants will take part in an online training programme (three sessions) to **acquire the skills needed to become qualified trainers**
- Topics covered: analysis and application of advanced tools for group management and methods to measure the impact of activities

July 2025

## RESIDENTIAL SUMMER SCHOOL

- Participants will join the Summer School in Italy (5 days) to **test the skills acquired, plan strategies and prepare for the implementation** in local communities
- They will use the toolkit to **design and develop concrete activities** with a focus on promoting peace

# TOR PARTICIPANTS

*March-November 2025*

## TOOLKIT: CREATION AND DISTRIBUTION

- Participants will contribute to **creating a multilingual toolkit as a resource for community engagement** and youth mobilization
- They will **adapt the content to specific sociocultural features**, considering ethnic, religious, gender and economic issues.
- The toolkit will be distributed to partner CSOs in Italian, French, Arabic and English

*August-November 2025*

## ONLINE CASCADE TRAINING

- Participants will **train other professionals** through a one-day online session involving 40 operators from each participating country
- They will **evaluate the toolkit's effectiveness** and facilitate the application of methods within youth groups

*October-November 2025*

## FINAL REGIONAL CONFERENCE

- Participants will attend the final regional conference in Tunis (tbc) to **consolidate project results and strengthen the network** among CSOs
- The conference will focus on **promoting the exchange of best practices and knowledge** among CSOs and local institutions as well as disseminating the toolkit



# OVERALL METHODOLOGY

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Caritas Italiana will engage an external institute specialized in peacebuilding, conflict management and reconciliation to provide expert support in planning, implementing, and monitoring the training cycle



Practical workshops



Case studies



Interactive webinars



Simulations



Group discussions



Group cohesion sessions

# CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPANTS

**1 staff member/volunteer for each CSO:**

**+30 participants**

**over 520 participants from 20 countries**

- University degree relevant to the project's objectives
- Demonstrated 3 years of professional experience in similar projects (e.g. youth animators, trainers, educators)
- High proficiency in English
- Preferred age range: 25 to 40 years

# TIMELINE

SO2: strengthening CSO governance in the field of peace as a common good

duration of the project:  
12 months, starting in  
December 2024



# TOR CSOs

*January-November 2025*

## TRAINING PROGRAM

- The CSO should designate at least one participant in the training program, **ensuring consistent attendance** throughout the planned activities

*April 2025*

## PERMANENT WORKING GROUP

- Establishment of a **permanent working group** dedicated to promoting peace as a common good
- Development of a **shared vision** among participating CSOs and drafting of a charter of intent
- Outline of the structure of the working group and development of operational guidelines

*November 2025*

## TOOLKIT DISSEMINATION

- CSO staff members/volunteers will contribute to the creation of a multilingual toolkit as a support for community engagement on the topic of peace as a common good
- Each organization will **commit to promoting and disseminating the toolkit** locally and to other CSOs

*November 2025*

## PROMOTING PEACE

- Participating CSOs will promote a culture of peace as a driver of sustainable development
- The CSO will **commit to implementing projects focused on promoting peace** as a common good in their respective countries
- Facilitation of best practice exchanges among CSOs as well as the creation of a database of CSOs engaged in peace initiatives and intercultural dialogue

# CRITERIA FOR CSOs

Over 30 CSOs, 2 CSOs from each  
country

except for countries not officially included in the  
project cofinanced by the Italian government

- Should demonstrate operations and impact at the national level
- 10 years of experience in the social sector
- Focus on young people and vulnerable communities
- A minimum of three years of expertise in youth engagement and educational project management

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