

Adyan Annual Report 2014-2015



Forward

The world witnessed a lot of violence and suffering during the last two years: Daesh, the war in Iraq, Syria, Yemen and Libya, the refugee crisis in the Mediterranean region, in addition to the global spread of terrorism. To cope with the emergence of such profound challenges, we at Advan Foundation decided to rethink our strategic organizational obiectives and capacities. The 2014 - 2015 period represents a phase of maturity in the growth process of Adyan. While we sustained our services to the Lebanese society, we expanded our global outreach and contribution to international causes

On the one hand, a new structure was adopted with the creation of the "Institute of Citizenship & Diversity Management", offering local and international study, policy making and training programs. On the other hand, we entered new areas of work such as the Education for Peace and Resilience for Syrian

children, and the Global effort in Preventing Violent Extremism. At Adyan, counting achievements isn't our satisfaction. We prefer to focus on our contribution in building home grown solutions and bringing the needed change in local and global realities, through better management of cultural and religious diversity for peace, solidarity and stability.

Throughout the vears, Advan showed that it is ready to face obstacles while working in unstable areas, with the necessary management related risks. However, with this continuous growth, one factor didn't change: our determination responsible build reconciled communities, capable of moving forward on the path of peace and unity. We pursue this mission with high ambition and lots of gratitude for all networks, partners and supporters worldwide.



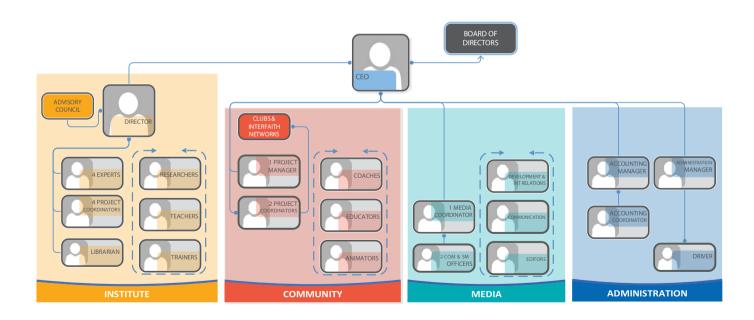
Fadi Daou Chairperson

Vision

Mission

Adyan envisions a world where diversity between individuals and communities is lived as an enrichment, generating mutual understanding, intercultural citizenship, creative development, sustainable peace and spiritual solidarity.

We work on valuing cultural and religious diversity in its conceptual, cultural and practical dimensions, and on promoting coexistence and diversity management among individuals and communities, on the social, political, educational and spiritual levels.



Institute of Citizenship & Diversity Management



About the Institute

Institute of Citizenship & Diversity Management is the academic arm at Adyan Foundation. The Institute focuses on the development of thought and of skills, and works through Courses, Training, Research and Conferences. The Institute also offers Consultancy and invests in Policy Making, namely in reform strategies of educational curricula.



In a global context marked by the rise of religious diversity and the complex relation between religion and public life on the one hand, and in a regional Middle-Eastern context marked by violent extremism and conflicts related to religious discourse and communitarian narratives on the other hand, Adyan Institute of Citizenship & Diversity Management aims:

- To contribute to the production of critical and well-grounded reflection and resources for the management of religious diversity in the public sphere.
- To build capacities of youth, educators, social and religious leaders in peace-building and in promoting intercultural and interreligious understanding and cooperation on local and global levels.

The Focus

Citizenship, Diversity and coexistence

We work on citizenship that is inclusive of cultural and religious diversity, as a common vision for citizens and a solution for diversity management in the Arab countries and internationally. We specifically target the integration of this concept in formal education, linking it to active citizenship, and in non-formal education, in trainings and educational resources for peace and resilience in conflict and post-conflict societies.



Interreligious and Intercultural Relations

We work, from theological, methodological and practical perspectives, on the question of religious and cultural diversity, and on intercultural and interreligious relations, making from reflection in dialogue a tool for a renewed understanding.

Religion and Public Affairs

We work on the relation of religion to public life, in the professional, civic and political fields, from ethical, cultural, social, historical, legal and spiritual perspectives. We give special attention to political participation in plural contexts, and to the study of religious extremism and religious freedom.

The Advisory Council

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The Work

Studying

We offer academic programs, online and face to face, targeting graduates and professionals, in Lebanon and internationally, who want to deepen their understanding and build their capacities in matters related to religions and public issues, diversity, inclusive citizenship, and interreligious and intercultural relations.

Research

We provide the space for experts to conduct joint research in a multidisciplinary approach.

- Research for Educational Curricula and programs in formal and non-formal education
- Research in the form of seminars and conferences on Religions and Public Affairs
- Research in theology, religious issues and interreligious themes

Training

We offer certified Training for Trainers (TOT), Training for Educators (TFE), and Training for young leaders and professionals, on the local, regional and international levels, in Arabic, English and French languages.

Consultancy and Policy Making

We offer consultancy on the Institute's thematic areas to public and private authorities and institutions, to media bodies, to researchers and authors. We also provide support and contribute to developing strategies in Public Policies and for Private sector.



TRAINING

Religion and Public Affairs Course

(Lebanon)

Objectives:

- 1- Build a positive approach to diversity between and within religions.
- 2- Provide knowledge about main world religions and a nuanced understanding of religious diversity within each religion.
- 3- Build analysis skills concerning sectarianism, religion, citizenship and issues of public life.

Islam, Diversity and Peace Building Course

(14 Muslim Majority Countries)

Objectives:

- 1- Build the capacity and analysis skills of young leaders in muslim majority countries in Islam, religious diversity, religion and politics, and in textual interpretation.
- 2- Create a multiplication dynamic of counter extremist narratives via Young Muslim peace leaders.

Leaders for Interreligious Understanding

In Partnership with Danmission (Denmark), CEOSS (Egypt), FDCD (Lebanon and Syria)

Objectives:

- 1- Build the capacities of young leaders in cross-cultural dialogue and religious diversity management.
- 2- Foster reconciliation, integration and political participation through interfaith initiatives.



20 graduates

100 attendees

Yearly program of 9 months duration



- 28 Counter Extremism Leaders graduates from 14 countries Contributing in the drafting of a worldwide white policy paper concerning extremism
- 2 Online courses offerings
- 2 Seminars



- 57 Trained leaders for Interreligious Understanding and countering extremisim
- 15 Local initiatives implemented in Denmark, Egypt, Lebanon and Syria

Citizens for Unity and Peace (Lebanon)

Objectives:

- 1- Build the capacities of social leaders through a Training on cultural and religious diversity management in the framework of plural and inclusive citizenship.
- 2- Foster the role of CSOs and local authorities (Municipalities) in raising awareness about citizenship responsibility for peace and social cohesion on the grassroots level.



- 20 Trainers on intercultural citizenship
- 7 Training sessions reaching 100 beneficiaries in different regions in Lebanon

THE POLICY CORNER

National Strategy for Citizenship and Coexistence Education



In Partnership with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEHE) and the Center for Education, Research and Documentation (CERD), Adyan Foundation worked on the Public Policy Educational Reform and achieved a National Strategy for Citizenship and Coexistence in Lebanon (NSCCE). It translated into the:

- 1- Development of the General Lebanese Curriculum on Inclusive Citizenship of religious diversity
- 2- TOTs and empowerment of educators in this field.
- 3- Development of the Civic Education curriculum and Philosophy and Civilizations curriculum and textbooks.
- 4- Activation & development of the Community service program in Highschools.
- Auxiliary curriculum developed on Education on Inclusive Citizenship of religious diversity
- Teacher training guidebook developed
 - Civilization and philosophy textbook for the 11th grade

Conference on Religion and Political Values

Objectives:

- 1- Put recent scholarship in social and political philosophy in more direct conversation with social and political theology, in Christianity and Islam specifically.
- 2- Reflect on the empirical, theoretical, normative and theological questions raised by recent scholarship and practices in regards to religions and political values.
- 3- Conduct this reflection in a spirit of "mutual learning", between Muslim and Christian political traditions in a sustained conversation with secular and liberal insights and criticisms.



- 27 Scholars, practitioners and religious leaders from 16 countries
- 1 Conference Report in English and Arabic
- 1 Publication in 2016

Conference on Intercultural Citizenship Education for Peace and Coexistence

Objectives:

- 1- Examine the different conceptual and practical approaches in Education on Peace and Intercultural Citizenship and refine the reflection on the subject in relation to the Arab context.
- 2- Share best practices from Western and Arab contexts on education on citizenship and diversity.
- 3- Present Intercultural Citizenship Education as a De-radicalization and Extremism Prevention tool.



- 21 Experts, practitioners and policy makers from 12 countries
- Conference report in English and Arabic
- 1 Publication in 2016

Interfaith education on Intercultural Citizenship

Research, Training and Policy Development project

In partnership with the Middle East Council of Churches, the Lebanese Dar Fatwa, the Higher Islamic Shiite Council, the Druze Community Council, Danmission and the Danish Arab Partnership program.

Objectives:

- 1- Foster research about citizenship values from a faith-based Christian and Muslim perspectives.
- 2- Develop and disseminate Christian and Muslim educational tools for education on intercultural citizenship.
- 3- Build educational capacities of multipliers from faith based organizations & religious institutions on intercultural citizenship.



- 1 Common toolkit published
- 8 Common values of public life
- 8 Religious education scholars network
- **80** Trained religious educators

Highlights

CAPACITY BUILDING

400 persons

beneficiaries of capacity building in 2014-2015 in Lebanon, France and Qatar

AWARENESS SESSIONS

4931 persons

reached through awareness sessions

TEAM & COLLABORATORS

27 teachers and trainers

from Lebanon, Arab world, Europe and the US collaborated with the Institute. The Institute also worked with 20 international researchers who were an essential part of its research teams around education and religious education

CONCEPT

The Institute developed the concept of "Inclusive Citizenship of Cultural and Religious Diversity" as a vision for social cohesion in pluralistic societies, which inspired the region and the world as it was used as practical framework and model for local implementation.

Gordon Borwn, United Nation special Envoy for Global Education, highlighted its importance in an article entitled "A powerful antidote to the Islamic State" in the Washington Post (November 29, 2015).

This concept is also highlighted as a Model in Iraq.



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Publications

Books



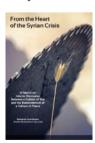
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Fadi Daou and Nayla Tabbara: L'hospitalité divine: l'autre dans le dialogue des théologies chrétienne et musulmane. LIT Verlag, collection « Colloquium Salutis », 2e édition, 2014 [2013].

Randa Abi Aad (ed.): Ave Maria. Muslim -Christian Reflections on Mary. Pauline editions/ Adyan, 2015.

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Reports



Shaykh Mohammad Abou Zayd (ed.): From the heart of the Syrian Crisis: a report on Islamic Discourse between a Culture of War and the Establishment of a Culture of Peace. Adyan, 2015. [Available in English & Arabic]

Manuals



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Fadi Daou (ed.): Trainers Manual for Citizenship Inclusive of Diversity in Lebanon. Adyan, 2014



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resilience against extremism.
Leaders for Interreligious Understanding and Counter Extremism
Toolkit. LIU, 2015.



Christian and Muslim Religions Teacher's Guide for Faith-based Education on Inclusive Citizenship. Adyan, 2014.



Rania Mansour (ed.): Training manual for psycho-social support for children. Adyan, 2014.



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Fadi Daou (ed.):

Alwan Manual for Education on Coexistence in the framework of active and Inclusive Citizenship. Adyan, 2015.

Adyan Community



About the Community

As connections across the globe are intensifying and relations are forming from the far edges of the world, humanity faces a growing opportunity to act as one body, heart and soul in this shared ecosystem.

Adyan believes in the positive contribution of religions, cultures and beliefs in strengthening these bonds. Having diversity at the forefront of its vision, Adyan Community works on addressing current challenges in an inclusive

and collaborative manner, and works on empowering and building capacities of people and communities to their full potential of social resilience and inclusivity.



Adyan Community aims to be an inspirational model of living together, a space for interfaith fraternity and spiritual solidarity, and a platform for building coexistence and social cohesion. We achieve this through:

- Building the capacities of pioneer ambassadors for intercultural citizenship and spiritual solidarity in the Lebanese society.
- 2- Offering witness and experimental space for interfaith fraternal relations and openness to religious diversity.
- 3- Acting as a positive drive for social change in local communities through outreach activities.

Education for Peace and Resilience

(Lebanon and Syria)

Objectives:

- 1- Improve the mental health and relational aptitudes of the children and caregivers for reconciliation and peace.
- 2- Strengthen the resilience, the internal and relational peace, of the children and educators affected by conflicts.



- 5 Coaches
- Local Partners/Cities:Damascus, Aleppo, Tartus,Homs, Beirut, Saida & Akkar
- **10** Trainers
- 46 Animators
- 1380 Children enrolled



Without the guidance of my educator and what he tells us about peace, I would have joined ISIS just as my other friends did.

Student from Education for Peace and Resilience Project



Alwan gave me the chance to enter a church for the first time in my life.

Nour Awad (Ehmej Public Schoo Student), Alwan Program



Over 4 years I was seeking revenge for my brother loss, but now I understood that revenge can only feed violence and destroy lives, while Syria is expecting from us a change towards peace.

Animator from Education for Peace and Resilience Project



I used to apply categorization when dealing with people "this is ours, that is theirs". Alwan helped me to get rid of the "quotas" mentality.

Father Walid Nassif (Mar Abda School Teacher), Alwan Program Alwan Program for Education on Coexistence in the framework of Active and Inclusive Citizenship (Lebanon)

Objectives:

- 1- Foster social cohesion and citizenship culture in the Lebanese society.
- 2- Treat ignorance and negative feelings towards religious diversity and build the capacity of young generations of students to positively manage this diversity.
- 3- Promote inter-communal understanding and networking through meetings, educational trips, interclub community service projects and social media channels.



- **37** Partners schools
- Trained teachers in education on coexistence and inclusive citizenship
- 670 Students club members

Spiritual Solidarity Day (Lebanon)

Objectives:

- 1- Develop a shared understanding of common values among the different religious communities and enhance spiritual solidarity between their leaders and members.
- 2- Gather social, educational, and religious leaders, as well as groups and individuals from different communities to celebrate a common value and confirm their adoption of it through prayers, cultural activities and a common statement.



SPIRITUAL SOLIDARITY AWARD

2014



Sayyid Hani Fahs (1946 – 2014)



Sheikh Abdallah Bin Bayyah

2015



Sister Mariam Nour and Sayyida Rabab al Sader

The Spiritual Solidarity
Award is a yearly award
offered by Adyan
foundation. It aims at
encouraging and honoring
the people who work
for and devote their
lives to developing and
strengthening solidarity
and unity between people
belonging to different
religions, especially in
contexts of tension and
violence.

2015

"Together We Welcome God's Blessing through Abrahamic Hospitality"

8th National Spiritual Solidarity Day Saturday 20th December 2014 Besancon School, Baabda

We both meditate on hospitality based on the example of our father in faith Prophet Abraham, the friend of God. The Holy Bible and the Holy Qoran tell us the story of Abraham's hospitality to the unknown messengers, and describe to us how he honored them in the best manner and offered them the best he had, without asking them about their identity, nor seeking if they were related to him, and without looking for receiving any benefit from them.

We learn from this Abrahamic example that the believer is called to be in a constant state of readiness to receive, not only his relatives and acquaintances, but also the stranger who knocks on his door or who needs him, and to welcome him and present to him the best he has. More than that, this example shows us how that hospitality towards the other is turned into a blessing on the host and his household.



"Together We Preserve the Environment Entrusted to Us by God"

9th National Spiritual Solidarity Day Saturday 31st October 2015 Carmel Saint Joseph School, Mechref

The current environmental situation, characterized by both circumstantial and structural damages, on the local and global levels, such as pollution, desertification and climate change, leads us to acknowledge that man has violated the dignity of creatures and practiced violence against them because of his greed and selfishness. We are thus asked to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor as well as that of future generations who cannot enjoy the riches of this earth because of our monopoly on it and our destructive actions. Based on this, we feel a common responsibility as believers to repent from our abusive acts that are destroying the earth, to stand together in solidarity to rehabilitate all components of the environment and repair the damage resulting from man's violations, no matter what are the commitments, behavioral changes and sacrifices required. We must be aware that each of us is responsible for all creatures.



Adyan Youth Network AYN



Adyan has taught me the true meaning of how to develop not just as a person in my daily routine but as a person on the spiritual and intellectual level. It is with great honor I say that Adyan truly prepares the leaders of Tomorrow.

AYN Member

High School & Undergraduates

100+ members.

12 yearly community based activities.

Adyan Families Network AFN

Couples

12+ couples.

12 yearly meetings.



← Our Networks →

Adyan Prayer Network APN

General Public

Year round communion and solidarity events ,prayers and gatherings



Adyan Volunteers Network AVN



God has given us many faiths but only one world in which to co-exist. May Adyan's work help all of us to cherish our commonalities and feel enlarged by our differences.

Adyan Volunteers Network Volunteer

Graduates & Young Professionals

40+ Volunteers

yearly community based activities.

Media and International Relations



Media Department

Adyan Media Department aims at spreading the values of pluralism, inclusive citizenship, and peace through the coverage on mainstream and social media of Adyan's local and international activities, the organization awareness campaigns and the production of documentary films that spread Adyan's values and messages.



Like & Follow













600 Articles

30 Covered events

90 Radio & TV appearances

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Lebanon to Host International Conference to Reject Terrorism, Encourage Dialogue

by Naharnet Newsdesk

FJOUR mercredi 2 avril 2014

Liban 5

Le Danemark se penche sur l'expérience libanaise de coexistence multiconfessionnelle

Religions Une délégation d'experts et d'hommes de foi libanais représentatifs des communautés du pays s'est rendue à Copenhague à l'initiative de la Fondation Adyan. Depuis plus d'un an, elle tente d'élaborer un manuel pionnier d'éducation religieuse qui initie les jeunes à la citoyenneté, un projet de « l'éducation interreligieuse pour la citoyenneté interculturelle » financé par le Danemark.



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يشرح رئيس مؤسسة «اديان» الأب البروفسور فادي ضو الهدف الكامـن وراء إطلاق منهج التربية علــى المواطنة الحاضف للتنوع الدينــي، إذ يرام ضروريا لتكوين شخصية الطالب – المواطن تربويا 🗆 لبنان - فيرونيك ابو غزاله

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MEDIA CAMPAIGN CORNER

Alwan Lubnan Campaign



Adyan organized its 3rd national campaign under the slogan "The right to disagree, the better right to agree" with the participation of the campaign's ambassador, the prominent Star Ragheb Alameh, United Nations' Goodwill Ambassador and with the support of the British Embassy of Beirut.

88 Billboards across Lebanon

60 Articles

11 TV coverage prime time

9 Radio Interviews

International Relations

The international Relations office aims to develop Adyan's global presence through:

- Establishing new partnership and joining relevant institutional coalitions and networks.
- 2- Sharing Adyan's expertise and advocating for our concepts and values.

In 2014-2015 Adyan participated in **98** international meetings and conferences in **29** countries through its team, board and networks.

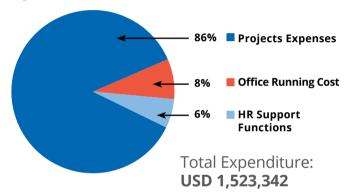




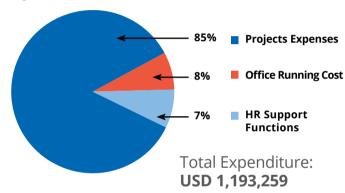
Financial Report

At Adyan, we understand the meaning of human capital investment. We look at the generous contributions of community members and partners as an awarding honor and a sign of trust in our philosophy, mission and implementation processes. We take efficiency, collaboration and community development very seriously. Therefore, our Accounting and Administrative team ensures the highest standards in expenditures policy.

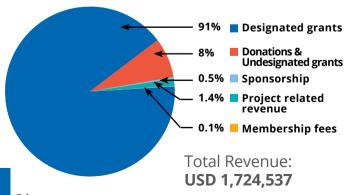
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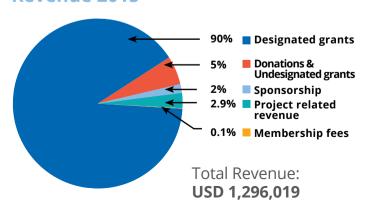
Expenditure 2015



Revenue 2014



Revenue 2015



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Our gratitude goes to our sponsors, donors and partners' trust and support of Adyan's work. Your contribution has helped our beneficiaries plant seeds of change, motivation and perseverance to make our world a better one.

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