



Project Progress Newsletter

STABILIZATION FACILITY FOR LIBYA - STRONGER FOR LIBYA, SFL2

OUTPUT 3: LOCAL PEACE STRUCTURES AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT CAPACITY

Welcome to the fifth edition of the SFL2 newsletter!

This edition covers the months of April and May 2021. We are excited to share the project’s progress with you and to update you on some key issues. The main highlight of this edition is the successful completion of the fourth training “Project Implementation and Technical Reporting”. Similar to the previous trainings, the participants greatly welcomed the training and strived to remain committed throughout the five days despite the electricity and Internet challenges! The newsletter also includes an overview of what has been accomplished so far and what is planned for the coming few months. Finally, the UNITAR team welcomes Carla BouKheir who will support our Libyan partner CSOs in the management of their UNDP funded projects. We wish you an enjoyable read!

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Project Summary

The project Stabilization Facility for Libya – Stronger for Libya (SFL2) seeks to support Libya’s efforts to bridge the critical transition from the initial period of humanitarian relief towards mid- and long-term structural and sector-specific support. The interventions have been designed to strengthen national unity and reinforce the authority of state institutions across Libya. This is being achieved through the support of three activity sets, each with a dedicated output:

Output 1: Basic services and light infrastructure restored

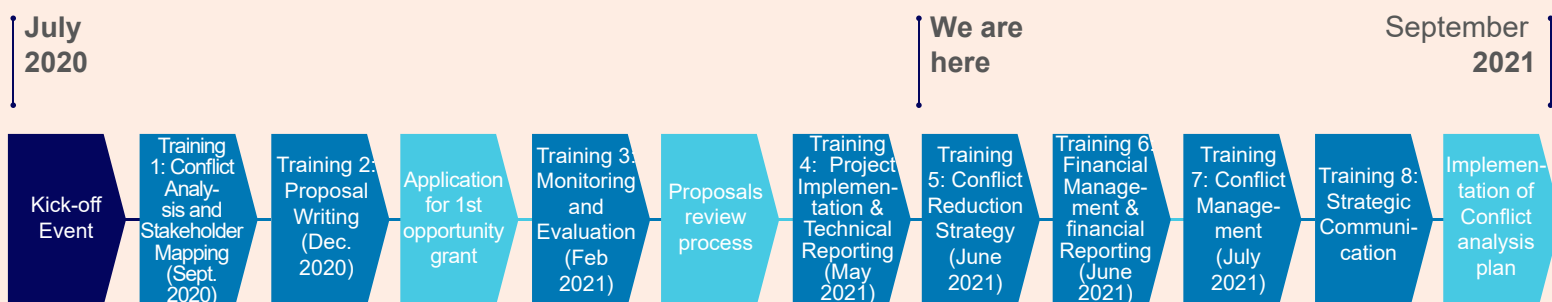
Output 2: Immediate capacity support for municipalities and local partners

Output 3: Local peace structures and conflict management capacity

UNITAR’s support under Output 3

UNITAR continues to support UNDP’s efforts under Output 3 to strengthen the capacities of the local partner Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) particularly pertaining to Conflict and Project Management so that they can contribute to the initial stabilization efforts at the community level.

WHERE DO WE CURRENTLY STAND?



Ongoing Coaching and Support Process

Coaching and mentoring support to Libyan partner CSOs is a key ongoing pillar of our project. During April and May, UNITAR coaches focused on providing support pertaining to the drafting of the local conflict analysis proposals for the first round of the Low Value Grant. UNITAR coaches provided numerous one-on-one, virtual coaching sessions and written feedback reviews on the CSOs’

proposals. In addition to the content-focused coaching, a mid-term event was held on April 8th. The event, attended by 13 CSOs aimed to jointly assess the progress of the whole capacity building initiative and discuss the aspects of the project implementation that need to be improved.

Update on the applications for the first Low Value Grant

Libyan partner CSOs worked in tandem with UNITAR coaches to develop their conflict analysis proposals. Furthermore, UNITAR coaches organized bilateral counselling sessions which resulted in improved proposal design, including adherence to the formal submission form, the use of conflict analysis tools, and an effective budget.

Currently, the UNDP in Libya is reviewing and evaluating the proposals, taking into account the organization’s administrative eligibility to receive the grant.

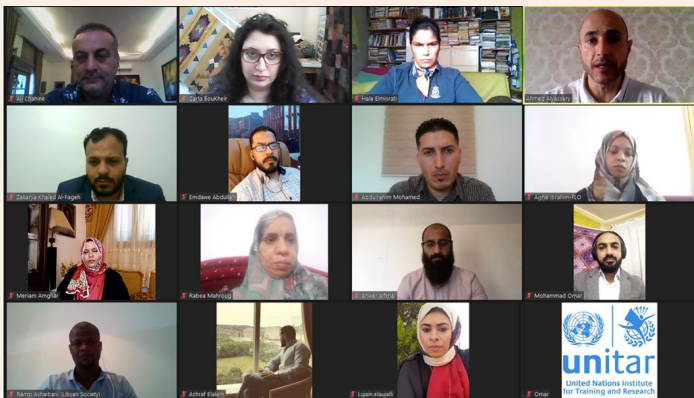
Our online course platform learnatunitar.org is going strong!

To address the many difficulties that some participants face in attending all the sessions and to ensure the exchange of knowledge among the partner organizations, UNITAR keeps

on uploading the training materials in Arabic on its platform including course recording and content. All sessions are uploaded at the end of each training day. The platform has proven to be extremely useful not only for participants wishing to review training content but also for sharing and networking.

Training #4: Project Implementation and Project Technical Reporting

Organized by UNITAR, this training session was the fourth in the capacity-building training series based on the identified CSOs’ needs and priorities. As agreed, each CSO nominated one participant to attend the course. The training focused on the stages of a project, the logical framework and the workplan, including monitoring and evaluation, as well as project reporting. The sessions and material were delivered in Arabic via Zoom.



THE FOURTH TRAINING IN NUMBERS:



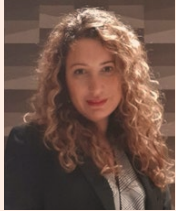
were held from 17th to 21st of May with the participation of 18 representatives (9 Female and 9 Male) from 18 CSOs coming from different cities across Libya from the East and the West.



17 out of the 18 participants who took the online test passed the minimum required score to obtain a Certificate of Completion.

“Since this was an excellent opportunity to develop my skills and develop my personality to improve in project management and technical reporting, I did not hesitate to ask any questions and I did not feel embarrassed to take advantage of this valuable opportunity as much as possible. The reason for this is that the training was organized by highly-qualified, competent persons who have extensive knowledge in the technical and humanitarian fields.” Participant’s comment from the online assessment.

Meet our new coach!



Hello, I am **Carla BouKheir**, I am originally from Lebanon, and I have been working in the Middle East, North Africa and sub-Saharan Africa for over fifteen years. My main areas of expertise are data collection and analysis; monitoring and evaluation;

training and capacity development; organizational development and strategic planning; program/project design and results-based management; Human Rights and humanitarian work. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with Libyan Civil Society Organizations for a stronger Libya!

Upcoming activities for June 2021

- Ongoing coaching sessions on implementation of Conflict Analysis.
- Ongoing coaching sessions on Project Implementation and Technical Reporting.
- Training #5: Conflict reduction strategy Design TOT (first week of June)
- Training #6: Financial Management and Financial Reporting (third week of June)

Stay tuned, you will be receiving more news from us in August!