# The Road to Ninevah: Social Cohesion, Peace, Coexistence

Country: Iraq

Organisation responsible: Un Ponte Per

Period: Since 2012

Activity: Peacebuilding program carried out in areas previously occupied by Daesh, specifically like

the Nineveh Plains.

# **Objectives**

Strengthening the capacities of Iraqi civil society organizations to engage in mediation, dialogue, processes for reconciliation and restorative justice among displaced communities.

Avoiding further conflicts by reinforcing intra-community relations.

### Description

It involves civil society actors, activist networks, local authorities, religious leaders and young people of minority communities, aimed at preventing and transforming local conflicts by nonviolent means. Local peacemakers and Local Peace Committees counter the logic of private vengeance and encourage instead dialogue, reconciliation and restorative justice, through the direct participation of all of the parties involved. It counted on the participation of teh local civil society organisations, provincial council and affected communities in Zumar, Sinuni, Wana and Rabi'a in Nineveh Province, who developed and implemented customized approaches to local / community-based reconciliation and peacebuilding.

#### Stakeholders

UNDP-funded project run by the and Un Ponte Per (UPP) and PATRIR Department of Peace Operations.

Watch the short film here.

### GOAL 7: Promote democratic values and protect civil society space

(115) Support the establishment of regional and global platforms for civil society, youth, women's organisations and religious leaders to enable them to share good practices and experience to improve work in their communities.