

# Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Positive Youth Development (PYD) Symposium

March 2-5, 2020 - Tangier, Morocco

## DRAFT AGENDA

<b>DAY ONE: MONDAY March 2nd</b>		
<b>THEME: Analyzing our Results, Impact, and Priorities for the Future</b>		
<b>Overall Learning Objectives:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Discuss results of regional research paper on PYD programming</li> <li>2. Identify priorities, challenges, and opportunities for further progress</li> <li>3. Share and discuss country case studies of quality, scalable, and sustainable programs</li> </ol>		
Time	Activity	Description
8h30-9h00	Welcome and Introduction	
9h00-9h30	<b>Call to Action:</b> Youth Vision and Voice	Young emerging leaders make the case for why youth development is vital to peaceful, prosperous societies in MENA
9h 30-10h30	<b>Presentation:</b> State of the Field Research on Youth PYD Programs in MENA	Results from research paper on Youth Spaces across the MENA region. A panel-led critical discussion and Q&A around constructing a research agenda will follow.
10h30-11h00	<b>Coffee/Tea</b>	
11h00-12h30	<b>Workshop:</b> Defining challenges and opportunities for effectiveness, scale and sustainability, and youth engagement	Participants are grouped by area of focus to discuss their biggest challenges and opportunities for effectiveness, scale and sustainability, and youth engagement.
12h30-13h00	<b>Fail-Fest:</b> Learning from what hasn't worked	Participants share something they tried with youth programs but didn't succeed. What did we learn from it?
13h00-14h00	<b>LUNCH</b>	
14h00-15h00	Deep dive into models of Positive Youth Development programming	Discussion on the advantages, limitations and selection considerations for various models of PYD programming
15h00-15h30	<b>Coffee/Tea</b>	
15h30-17h00	<b>Workshop:</b> Making Dreams Real: Working on a better model to go to scale, ensuring quality and sustainability	Discussion by tables to dream a design of better youth programs. Tables are based on the programming model types. Each table shares out to wider group.
17h00-17h30	Synthesis and Pre-View of Day Two	

**DAY TWO: TUESDAY, March 3rd**

**THEME: Effectiveness**

**Learning Objectives:**

1. Identify best practices in effective program design, volunteer recruiting and management
2. Identify best practices in the inclusion of gender and marginalized groups
3. Peer-to-peer consultation and learning on models

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
8h30-8:45	Review of Key findings on Effectiveness	
8h45-9h45	<b><u>Call to Action:</u></b> Promoting Inclusion in PYD	Powerful testimony of inclusion and youth activists, followed by a discussion of promising practices in the areas of gender transformative, at-risk environments, and social inclusion.
9h45-10h30	<b><u>High-Level Conversation:</u></b> Effectiveness	Discussion about what constitutes effectiveness in PYD programming with private and public sector representatives.
<b>10h30-11h00</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea</b>	
11h00-12h30	<b><u>Development Marketplace:</u></b> Showcase for models of effectiveness	Participants move through the room at their own pace, visiting tables where presenters display and discuss their innovations or models of PYD programming. The theme for this year's Marketplace is 'inclusive programming.'
<b>12h30-13h30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
13h30-14h15	<b><u>Panel:</u></b> The Human Element: Effective mobilization of volunteers to deliver PYD programming	Youth-led panel discusses lessons learned in volunteer recruitment, training, and retention. Q&A to follow.
14h15-15h15	<b><u>Break-Out Sessions:</u></b> Design Components of Effectiveness	Participants select one of three sessions to take part in for dynamic dialogue within a facilitated group: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Selecting PYD Program components + curriculum</li> <li>2. Site Selection and community ownership</li> <li>3. Building effective youth engagement &amp; leadership</li> </ol>
<b>15h15-15h45</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea</b>	
15h45-17h10	<b><u>Panel:</u></b> Recognizing Effectiveness: Approaches to monitoring, evaluating, and communicating our PYD outcomes and impact	Panel and group discussions on effective and innovative ways to track, measure, and communicate outcomes from PYD programs.
17h10-17h30	Synthesis of Day Two and preview of Day Three	

**DAY THREE: WEDNESDAY, March 4th**

**THEME: Scale and Sustainability**

**Learning Objectives:**

1. Discuss best practices in scaling and sustaining PYD programming
2. Identify key-takeaways from the Symposium and determine next steps

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
8h30-9h00	Review of research on Scale Sustainability key takeaways	
9h00-10h00	<b>Panel:</b> Solving the sustainability puzzle	Panel discussion highlighting innovations in funding models, including an interactive resourcing activity.
10h00-10h30	<b>Tea Break</b>	
10h30-11h30	<b>Presentations:</b> Scaling PYD Models: Concrete strategies for donors and implementers	Speakers share creative scaling strategies from across the region.
11h30-12h30	<b>Panel:</b> Working with the Private Sector: Partnering with non-state actors.	Models and insights from Private Sector partnerships and what non-state actors want from a development partner.
<b>12h30-13h30</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
13h30-15h00	<b>Creativity Lab:</b> Going for Scale and Sustainability	Participants work at tables using the Scale and Sustainability Matrix to create action plans to share out.
15h00-16h30	<b>Next Steps:</b> Connecting PYD programs across the MENA.	Presentation of previous sessions' key outcomes by table, followed by open space dialogue on how to improve learning across the Region on PYD. Sharing of new YouthPower mechanism and tools/resources
16h30-17h00	Closing	
17h00-18h00	Reception	

**(OPTIONAL) DAY FOUR: Thursday, March 5th**

**THEME: Implementing Partner Workshops (limited spots available; must pre-register)**

**Learning Objectives:**

1. Build Capacity of Implementing Partners
2. Develop Action Plans to improve sustainability and effectiveness of programs

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>
8h30-9h00	Registration and Breakfast	
9h00-10h00	Applying a Positive Youth Development Approach	Discussion of PYD tools and evidence and how to better contextualize and integrate them into our programs
10h00-10h30	<b>Tea Break</b>	
10h30-12h00	Peer-to-Peer Consultations/sharing	
<b>12h00-13h00</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
13h00-16h00	Site visit to local youth center	Visit to a youth center to analyze how they are approaching topics covered at the Symposium.