

Middle East and North Africa Positive Youth Development Symposium

March 2-5, 2020 - Tangier, Morocco

DRAFT AGENDA/SESSION PLANS

DAY ONE: Monday, March 2		
TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
8h30-9h00	Registration	Attendees check-in and pick up their name badges and participant guides from the registration table.
9h00-9h30	Welcome and Introduction	Facilitators welcome participants to the Symposium, highlighting the conference purpose and objectives and framing PYD.
9h30-10h00	Call to Action: Youth Visions for MENA	Young leaders share their visions and call to action for why youth voice and engagement in the MENA region.
10h00-11h00	State of the Field Research on Youth and PYD Programs in MENA	Experts present findings from recent research papers on youth in the MENA region followed by a panel-led discussion and Q&A.
11h00-11h30	Coffee/Tea Break	
11h30-13h00	Deep Dive into Models of PYD Programming	Speakers present key components of various program models of PYD and program examples, followed by small groups organized to learn more about each model.
13h00-14h00	Lunch	
14h00-14h30	Learning from Research, What Hasn't Worked, and Adapting to Improve Programs	Participants share something they tried with youth programs, but didn't succeed. What can we learn from it? How can we adapt to improve our programs?
14h30-16h30	Approaches to PYD	Interactive bingo game focused on PYD components, followed by roundtable discussions and table readouts.
16h30-17h00	Day One Wrap Up	Reflecting on Day One key takeaways followed by a preview of Day Two agenda.
17h00-18h30	Welcome Reception	

DAY TWO: Tuesday, March 3

TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
8h30-9h00	Check-In	
9h00-9:15	Review of Key Findings on Effectiveness	Facilitators frame the day with key findings around PYD program effectiveness.
9h15-10h15	Call to Action: Promoting Inclusion in PYD	Youth activists provide testimony of inclusion and promising practices in gender transformative and socially inclusive programs in at-risk environments.
10h15-11h00	Effectiveness in the Public and Private Sector	Discussion about effectiveness in PYD programming with private and public sector representatives.
11h00-11h30	Coffee/Tea Break	
11h30-13h00	Innovation Marketplace: Showcase for Innovative Models of Effective PYD Programs	Exhibitors present their innovative models of PYD programs. Participants move through the room at their own pace, visiting tables and learning about each model or innovation in-depth.
13h00-14h00	Lunch	
14h00-14h45	The Human Element: Building Relationships and Trust in PYD Programming	A youth-facilitated panel discusses important components of building relationships and trust including staff and volunteer recruitment & development; relationships with parents, teachers and communities. The session concludes with Q&A.
14h45-15h45	Break-Out Sessions Elements of PYD	Participants select one of four sessions. Facilitators will lead dynamic dialogues on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Relationships & Community Engagement/Ownership ● Youth Engagement & Leadership ● Creating Youth Friendly Spaces & Well-Being ● The Role of Social Media & Media
15h45-16h15	Coffee/Tea Break	
16h15-17h15	Telling Our Story: Approaches to Monitoring, Evaluating, and Communicating PYD Outcomes and Impact	Short talks on innovative ways to track, measure, and communicate outcomes from PYD programs followed by speakers joining small-groups at tables to share more information and discuss their approaches with participants.
17h15-17h30	Day Two Wrap Up	Reflecting on Day Two key takeaways followed by a preview of Day Three agenda.

DAY THREE: Wednesday, March 4

TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
8h30-9h00	Check-In	
9h00-9h15	Warm-Up: Review of Research on Systems Key Takeaways	Facilitators will begin with an activity to ground Day 3 in the research on youth systems.
9h15-9h30	Transforming Youth Systems	Presenters will provide an initial framing to set the stage to discuss PYD and youth systems.
9h30-10h30	Systems Change in PYD Programming	Panelists will discuss systems change in PYD programming at different levels.
10h30-11h00	Coffee/Tea Break	
11h00-11h30	Vision for the Future of Systems Change	Short talks on visions for the future of systems change through PYD.
11h30-12h30	Seeing Youth Outcomes at Scale	Presenters share creative approaches to scaling for youth outcomes from across the region.
12h30-13h30	Lunch	
13h30-15h30	Creativity Lab: Mapping Systems for Better Youth Outcomes	Participants work at tables to map the youth systems for their desired outcomes.
15h30-16h30	Next Steps: Connecting PYD Programs Across the MENA	Presentation of previous sessions' key outcomes by table, followed by dialogue on how to improve learning across the region on PYD.
16h30-17h00	Closing	The symposium will close with key takeaways from the three-day event.

(OPTIONAL FOR USAID AND IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS) DAY FOUR: Thursday, March 5

TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
8h30-9h00	Check-In	Participants check-in for the day and take their seats.
9h00-10h00	Applying a PYD Approach	Presenters will discuss PYD tools and evidence and how to better contextualize and integrate them into our programs.
10h00-10h30	Coffee/Tea Break	
10h30-12h00	Peer-to-Peer Consultations	Participants will break into groups for peer consultations on previously identified challenges in programming. Groups will come together at the end to share out from their discussion.
12h00-13h00	Lunch	
13h00-16h00	Site Visit: One Stop Shop	Participants will visit a youth center to analyze how they are approaching the issues we have discussed throughout the Symposium. The visit will conclude with a dialogue about what participants saw working well and what challenges they observed.