

## **AXIS 1: STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF THE ACTORS WORKING FOR EQUALITY OF THE PROJECT « WOMEN FOR THE FUTURE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN » OF THE PRIORITY SOLIDARITY FUND**

The *Axis 1* is part of the project « Women for the future in the Mediterranean » of the Priority Solidarity Fund of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development (MAEDI), which aims to promote the emancipation and access to power of women of the Southern shore of the Mediterranean, through three interdependent components: Axis 1 Strengthening the capacity of the actors working for equality; Axis 2 Diversity and governance, and Axis 3 Women of the Mediterranean: next generation of leaders.

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**Period:** 3 years, from November 2014.

**Countries concerned:** Southern Mediterranean, in particular: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine and Tunisia.

**Objectives:** Encouraging partnerships between equality actors at local, national and Euro-Mediterranean levels; Strengthening the monitoring of public policies on women and gender equality at local and decentralized levels; Increasing access and knowledge production on equality, women and gender.

### **Activities:**

- *Mobilization and identification of actors working in favour of women's emancipation in the southern Mediterranean* (civil society, academia and institutional world) through an online trilingual platform of French-English-Arabic: <https://www.euromedwomen.foundation/>;
- *Organization of annual framing seminars* of activities at regional level;
- *Implementation of pilot actions of mobilization and consultation of equality actors at local level and field projects* on gender equality-related topics that will be collectively selected each year;
- *Enhancing the visibility of research work on gender* through seminars bringing together young researchers, experienced researchers and civil society actors working on these issues in the field;
- *Dissemination of gender research's results* through conferences;
- *Sharing the results of the mobilization of equality actors* through bonding events;
- *Gathering knowledge production and results of the mobilization of equality actors* through the online trilingual platform.

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