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Selected Initiatives

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The Youth Policy Shapers Programme (YPS) has been implemented since January 2020 with the financial support of the United Kingdom in Tunisia as a joint Programme by the Ministry of Youth, Affairs and Sports, the Ministry of Local Affairs and the OECD.

The YPS supports Tunisian young men and women (18-35 years) in the design and implementation of social action projects for local and community development in 6 municipalities: Sidi El Heni and Enfidha in Sousse governorate, Sidi Ali Ben Aoun and Cebalet Ouled Asker in Sidi Bouzid governorate, Ghomrassen and Bir Lahmer in Tataouine governorate.

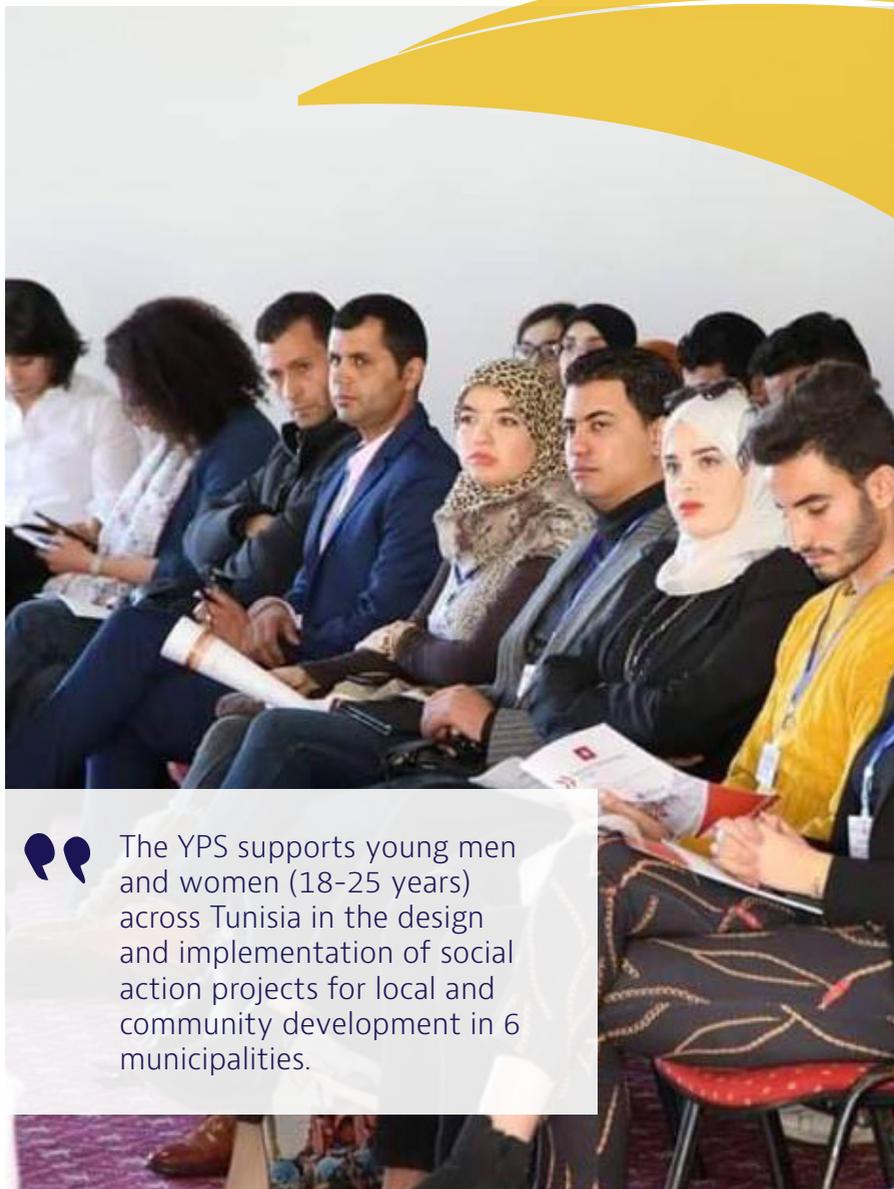
In Phase 1, around 100 youth participated in the launching and inception training in February 2020.

In Phase 2, three trainings were organized in Cebalet Ouled Asker, Ghomrassen and Sidi El Heni. In the trainings led by youth workers and experts from the United Kingdom and Tunisia, participants acquired skills in objective setting, leadership, budget management, communication, resource planning, pitching and exchanged ideas with local authorities and civil society.

In Phase 3, 10 out of 59 initiatives submitted were selected to receive technical and financial support for their implementation. They are now being implemented across the 6 municipalities and cover a wide range of sectors from women participation, recycling, environmental protection, culture, local governance and sports.



This brochure presents the 10 elected initiatives.



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Name: Amira Barhoumi

Municipality: Cebalet Ouled Asker

Age: 29

Title: The Lady of Tomorrow

Focus: Women's empowerment and participation in local public life.



Amira believes in equal representation and participation in local public affairs and is convinced that, given the right support, women from her city of Cebalet Ouled Asker, could more actively influence local issues for the benefit of all women as well as the entire community. Through her initiative, Amira is training 20 local young women

from diverse backgrounds to enhance their participation in local affairs and encourage them to make their voices heard.



Name: Ramzi Khorchani

Municipality: Ghomrassen

Age: 26

Title: Go Station

Focus: Public transport and local mobility



Convinced that improving public transport in his municipality of Ghomrassen could lead to greater local mobility and development for his community, Ramzi, a young operations manager, is working to build, restore and upgrade bus stops in his city. His project will also use electronic screens and QR codes to display the bus schedule and the waiting time.

This will ultimately improve the security, accessibility and comfort of local users of the bus network.



Name: Sabrine Ghrab
Municipality: Ghomrassen
Age: 27
Title: Go Clean
Focus: Plastic collection and recycling

Name: Naziha Amri
Municipality: Cebalet Ouled Asker
Age: 26
Title: Creating special containers for used plastic
Focus: Plastic collection and recycling

Passionate about climate change and the environment, Naziha from Cebalet Ouled Asker and Sabrine from Ghomrassen are launching a recycling initiative in their respective cities to reduce local pollution and raise awareness about the importance of environmental protection. Naziha is setting up containers across the town for the collect of used plastic while Sabrine will work with other young activists including her Tunisian scout patrol to collect the plastic across town. They will also both

conduct sensitisation campaigns with other young people and civil society organisations to help turn this into a regular practice among their communities. They will then work with their municipalities to recycle the material.



Name: Faouzi Laouej

Municipality: Ghomrassen

Age: 29

Title: Green Public Park

Focus: City beautification
and leisure space

In the arid region of Tataouine, where Faouzi lives, it can be difficult sometimes to find green spaces where children, young people and families can relax and play.

This is why Faouzi chose to work with the municipality and the region to create a public park in his municipality of Ghomrassen for the benefit of his entire community.



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Name: Bisma Khorchani

Municipality: Bir
Lahmer

Age: 27

Title: Municipal
complaints management
platform

Focus: Stronger citizen-
state interface



Thanks to her PhD in communication systems from the National School of Engineers, Bisma from Bir Lahmer knows a thing or two about computer science and new technologies. She wants to put this knowledge

and passion to good use to help solve people's daily problems and support the development of her community in the face of many challenges, such as corruption and the economic downturn. Through her initiative, she will develop a platform for the management of municipal complaints. This will help facilitate interactions between citizens and the municipality and increase the accountability of the local administration.



Name: Bacem Boukara

Municipality: Sidi El Heni

Age: 27

Title: Buried Treasure

Focus: Environmental protection and eco-tourism



Meet Bacem from Sidi El Heni. He is passionate about preserving and promoting one of the natural gems of his region, Sabkhat Sidi El Heni, a large salt lake with a remarkable wildlife diversity. His project

aims to create an eco-tourism circuit with educational and recreational activities to educate locals and visitors about the importance of preserving this natural reserve.



Name: Dalel Bouguerra

Municipality: Sidi Ali Ben Aoun

Age: 25

Title: DEDA

Focus: Environmental protection and eco-friendly products



A young lab technician with a background in the preparation of pharmaceutical products, Dalel named her initiative “DEDA” after her grandmother who gave her an incommensurate love for nature. As part of this project, she is designing and selling local

eco-friendly products to raise awareness about the value of the local ecological resources. She is also creating an ecological installation to sensitise other young people to the importance of environmental protection in the region.



Name: Hamed Channa

Municipality: Sidi El Heni

Age: 32

Title: Sports Academy

Focus: Greater opportunities in sports for youth



Meet Hamed from Sidi El Heni, where young people report a lack of facilities and opportunities to practice sports.

With a diverse group of coaches, Hamed will create a Sports Academy and provide different sports activities to his peers to support their physical and mental growth.



Name: Ilia Atia

Municipality: Enfidha

Age: 28

Title: Cultural Café

Focus: Cultural space
for youth



Ilia is a young technician working for her local youth house. She is convinced that there is a severe lack of entertainment and socializing opportunities for her and her peers.

For that reason, she is creating a cultural café within the youth house to provide a safe and open space where young people can exchange, learn and perform cultural projects and initiatives.

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