



YOUTH PREVENTING VIOLENT EXTREMISM

LAUNCH

24 April 2018, 10.30 a.m. UNESCO Headquarters, Espaces Miró

Programme & List of Young Speakers

PROGRAMME

10.30 a.m. – Welcoming coffee

Music performance by the French-Tunisian group, Bénarès

11.00 a.m. – Opening

Nada Al-Nashif, Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences

11.05 a.m. — Voices from the Frontline

Four young women and men will share their stories and personal experiences

Speakers

Loubna Bensalah (Morocco) Nada El Feituri (Libya) Hayfa Mansouri (Tunisia) Saddam Sayyaleh (Jordan)

11.30 a.m. – Putting Youth First: A UN Approach to PVE

A dynamic dialogue on the UN and UNESCO response to violent extremism between two young actors of change, the Under-Secretary-General of the United Nation Office of Counter-Terrorism, and the Director-General of UNESCO

Speakers

Souli Aslam (Tunisia) Hajer Sharief (Libya) Vladimir Voronkov (UNOCT) Audrey Azoulay (UNESCO)

11.50 a.m. – Conclusion

Future actions by two young leaders of the region

Speakers

Sami Hourani (Jordan) Maha Sano (Morocco)

12.00 p.m. – Cocktail

Photo exhibition "A new generation of young urban artists in Tunisia", by Emeric Fohlen

YOUNG SPEAKERS

Libya

Nada El Feitury - Testimony



Nada El Feituri is an architect, activist and blogger from Benghazi, Libya. She has been involved in Libya's civil society for the past seven years, and currently works as the Deputy Projects Coordinator for ACTED, where she is managing projects on urban reconstruction, civil society and social entrepreneurship. Nada is also a board member of the Libyan Institutes of Architects and a Georgetown Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) alumna.

Hajer Sharief - Interview



ajer Sharief is a Law graduate and co-founder of the Together We Build It organization working in Libya to empower women and to foster youth participation in peacebuilding. Appointed by the UN Secretary General as a member of the Advisory Group of Experts for the Progress Study on Youth, Peace and Security mandated by UNSCR2250, she is also a strong advocate for the Kofi Annan foundation on the role of youth in preventing violent extremism. Hajer is a member of the UN Group of Champions on Women, Peace and Security.

Tunisia

Aslam Souli - Interview



Aslam Souli is one of the founders of the National Youth Initiative Against Terrorism (NYIAT) and leads the Community Resilience and Social Cohesion Department of the BEDER organization. He also advises various Tunisian institutions on issues related to the prevention of violent extremism. As a specialist in the consolidation of peace and PVE, Aslam has led various projects in Tunisia in the field of social research, extremism and terrorism, aimed at the inclusion and empowerment of young people.

Hayfa Mansouri - Testimony



Hayfa is an industrial engineer and a master's student of philosophy. She currently works as editor-in-chief for the Jamaity Association. Indoctrinated by radical Islamists at the age of 14, philosophy saved her life. Today, through her involvement in civil society, Hayfa works to awaken the consciousness of young people, democratize culture and make it accessible, especially in marginalized neighborhoods that represent fertile ground for radicalization.

Morocco

Maha Bouzerda - Conclusion



Maha Bouzerda is a cultural project manager in Morocco with more than ten years of experience. As a publicist, she is involved in the development of social and cultural communication for education through image, art and access to culture. She works with youth communities from the North of Morocco and helps them to promote their region through documentaries and short positive movies.

Loubna Bensalah - Testimony



Loubna is a professor of communication at the Mohammed V University of Rabat and Secretary General of the Moroccan Art Chemist Association. Loubna is best known for her project, I Walk With Her, which started in Morocco in 2016 for a 1000 km journey on foot along the Atlantic coast between El Jadida and Tiznit. The goal of this initiative was to encourage dialogue with women. In 2017, I Walk With Her moved to Tunisia, and met another huge success. The Junior Chamber International of Morocco awarded the project in 2017 — Loubna received the first prize in the category Personal Development and Realization. Loubna plans to expand her project to other countries in the region.

Jordan

Saddam Sayyaleh - Testimony



Saddam Sayyaleh is a social entrepreneur at I Learn , which employs a community-based approach to empower youth and children in disenfranchised communities. Through informal education, youth volunteerism, and global partnerships, Saddam seeks to establish spaces that encourage innovation, intellectual growth, and critical thinking. Saddam is an expert in community mobilization and social innovation.

Sami Hourani - Conclusion



Sami is a medical doctor and social entrepreneur. He is the founding CEO of the educational platform For9a.com, the founder and executive director of the regional organization Leaders of Tomorrow and the innovative social initiatives Diwanieh, Mo7aka and FADFED. He is the national coordinator for the Youth Strategy 2017-2025, and is a member and implementing partner of NET-MED Youth.