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Candidate membership application - SEEDS

Candidate membership application - Seeds Association for Development and Culture 'Bothoor' (SEEDS)

Organisational overview

Permanent headquarters: Nablus, Palestine
Established: 2005
Website: None
Number of members: 512

Application documents submitted:

- A completed membership application form
- Statutes, aims and principles and other governing documents of the organisation in either English or Spanish
- A resolution passed by a statutory body of the organisation accepting the aims and principles and constitution of IFM-SEI
- A recent activity report and/or annual report
- A recommendation from an existing member organisation if possible

Additional documents (not requested):

- Willy Brandt Center Jerusalem project partnership letter

Criteria for IFM-SEI membership:

1. Accept the aims and principles and constitution of IFM-SEI
2. Be primarily by and for children and young people and hold regular activities with them
3. Undertake educational work using non-formal education methodology
4. Ensure participation of children and young people in your decision-making structures
5. Ensure gender equality in your structures and activities
6. Have a democratic structure with the governing documents sent to the IFM-SEI in Spanish, French or English
7. Not be a member of any other international organisation that goes against the aims and principles of IFM-SEI





IFM-SEI membership application form

Components of a completed application:

1. Statutes, aims and principles and other governing documents of the organisation in either English or Spanish
2. A resolution passed by a statutory body of the organisation accepting the aims and principles and constitution of IFM-SEI
3. A summary of recent activities
4. The membership application form
5. A recommendation from an existing member organisation if possible
6. Send all documents to contact@ifm-sei.org

All members and candidate organisations must:

- Accept the aims and principles and constitution of IFM-SEI
- Be primarily by and for children and young people and hold regular activities with them
- Undertake educational work using non-formal education methodology
- Ensure participation of children and young people in their decision-making structures
- Ensure gender equality in their structures and activities
- Have a democratic structure with the governing documents sent to the IFM-SEI in Spanish, French or English
- Not be a member of any other international organisation that goes against the aims and principles of IFM-SEI

Note: The application must be completed in either English, Spanish or French

Part 1: Contact details

Name of the organisation and, if any, acronym of the organisation	Seeds association for development and culture “ Bothoor “
Permanent headquarters	Palestine- Nablus, Almamoun ST, NO38
Postal address, if different from headquarters address	Palestine- Nablus, Almamoun ST, NO38
Contact phone number(s)	00970594550015
Name and position of contact person	Raed Debiy, executive director
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Website	Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/seeds.development.culture/
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Part 2: Aims and activities

a) Summarise the aims and purposes of your organisation.

Seeds works toward a world where youth and children are empowered to shape and control their identities and destinies and to develop the capabilities of Palestinian youth in order to contribute to the building of the society and provide creative atmospheres for Palestinian young people to express their needs, ideas and aspirations through programs and activities organized by the Society.

Mission:

Seeds is an independent educational association helping to lead development in the Palestinian society . it empowers people, especially children and youth to take the right of the good education for free, and for the youth to fully participate in political, economic, and social development through outreach, advocacy, and training.

Values: Transparency, collaboration, free flow of ideas and information, learning from other cultures, gender equality, improved accountability and social justice.

The Society's objectives:

1. Recognize the problems and needs of children and youth and try to provide solutions through educational courses, projects and programs that are offered based on studies and surveys.
2. Activate serious and responsible democratic dialogue between the youth and all groups of people in the society.
3. Establish different developmental teams to promote and preserve the Palestinian heritage "Dabkah, Coral especially within the children
4. Reinforce and empower the role of women in the society.
5. Network and cooperate with the local, regional and international institutions to acquire experience and exchange information.
6. Provide the children and youth with a chance to express their thoughts and creativity in a context of tolerance and pluralism.

b) Give examples of your recent projects and/or activities



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Languages club: where we offer free courses for Palestinian children's, in the different languages, English, French, Turkish, and Spanish, we organize these courses in cooperation with international partners such as NEWPAL, in UK, and project hope in France and Palestine.

The social justice project: this project has started four years ago, the idea of it is to offer platform for people, mainly youth, and women, to discuss the public policies in Palestine, directly with the decision makers in Palestine.

Summer camps: every year we organize summer camp for children with more than 500 participants, where we focus on the values of socialism, tolerance, freed education, and team work.

Human rights school: in cooperation with the Red Cross in Palestine, we organize three schools yearly, for human rights education, for children, and youth.

Capacity building courses: during the year, 12 capacity building courses will be organized; the topics will focus on strength the technical capacity of youth and children in Palestine.

My city: the idea of my city project is to publish the values of voluntary within the school's students in Palestine, by giving training courses about the voluntary work, and to follow the training with campaigns.

c) Please describe in general your next year planning of activities and/ or projects



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Our 2019 plan is

- 1- To continue the human rights school
- 2- To organize the first international summer camp in Palestine, which will focus on the educational situation in Palestine.
- 3- To add more languages to the “Languge’s club “
- 4- To create a computer lab for children .

d) Which educational aspects do you work on in your organisation?

Human and children’s rights	Yes
Social inclusion	Yes
Gender equality	Yes
Sexual diversity	
Sustainable development	Yes
Peace	Yes
Youth policy	Yes
Political participation	Yes
Anti-racism	Yes
Other (please specify)	Capacity building
Other (please specify)	Languages

Part 3: Structure of the organisation

Date of registration or date of establishment	2005
Number of members	512
Number of regions the organisation is active in	All of Palestine
Is the organisation affiliated with another international organisation or institution? If yes, which?	We are not, but we adopt the social democratic values, and we cooperate with the social democratic organizations, such as Fredrich Ebert foundation, and



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Norwegian peoples aids

Describe the structure and the decision-making process in your organisation (governing bodies, elections, etc.). Mention also the number of women in statutory bodies of the organisation:

Our structure

: 1- The presidium, we have a presidium of 13 members, 40% minimum should be from one gender, the congress has been organised on 14th September 2017.

2- The General Body, it contains all the members whom payed their membership fees, which is 25 Euro per year, the number is 512, and they have the right of voting and running for the presidium chairs

3- The Volunteers Team, we have around 1350 volunteer from all over Palestine

4- The secretariat: we have one full time and one part time employees

Describe how children and young people are involved in the decision-making process of the organisation:

According the organization institution, all decisions should be taken in a democratic way, that's , in order to guarantee this goal, tow meeting for the general body, which include the majority of youth and children, organized yearly, in order to vote for the organization action plan and budget, furthermore, we have a very transparent system that all youth and children, even from volunteers, are allowed to present a proposal for action , or statement, and the presidium should discuss it in a democratic way, and take discussion on it



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Part 4: Declaration

We declare that we have answered the questions contained in this form to the best of our knowledge and that if granted candidate status, our organisation will act in accordance with the aims, principles and constitution of the IFM-SEI.

The undersigned is duly authorised to sign this declaration on behalf of the organisation.

Signature

Raed Debiy

Name and position

Raed Debiy
Executive director

Place and date

Palestine 26-01-2018



Seeds for development and culture

SEEDS STATUES

- **Name and aims**

Seeds association for development and culture, is a Palestinian educational and cultural non-governmental organization, working to strengthen the role of youth, children and women in the society, though adopting divers mechanism, and methods of education, which aim to shape the way of their fight for democracy and human rights, based on the democratic socialist ideas of freedom, equality and solidarity.

" Seeds" Aims to promote the social democratic values, among the Palestinian youth, and to realize a Palestinian society with high respect to human rights principles, based on the principles of International law, and the universal declaration of human rights .

- **"Seeds" serves Palestinian children, and youth by:**

1. Organizing educational activities in the different Palestinian areas, mainly in the refugee camps .
2. Organizing campaigns, conferences, sport activities, and round tables based on its values and principles.
- 3 networking with our sister organizations, in Palestine, the region, and in the international level.

- **A Palestinian organization with global vision**

- While " Seeds" mainly work with the Palestinian children, and young people, in Palestine, it's as well believe that international solidarity, and cooperation

with our sisters organizations from all over the world, is very important in order to achieve its goals.

Seeds Values, -

Seeds fight for

Freedom, Equality, justice, human dignity, Democracy, Peace, solidarity, Social Justice, free education, freedom of expression, Revolutionary Spirit, Free Access to infractions, Environmental awareness, Tolerance, Dialogue, youth Participation, Human rights, Youth rights, Women's rights, Children's rights, disability rights, Conflict Prevention, Global zero – Disarm, Sustainable Development, Democratizing the Global Economy, Ending Poverty, Decent work – Decent life, Team work. Cooperation, coexistence, mutual respect, nonviolence, Voluntary spirit, transparency, social responsibility, loyalty, giving, Credibility, accountability, Transparency, gender equality, Health, Freedom of speech, Voice, Representation, Good infrastructure, Better waste management, Political freedom, Political stability, Economic and political security, Water security, Wellbeing

Seeds struggle against

Oppression, injustice, discrimination, violence, nepotism, pollution, Armament, hatred, Intolerance, Racism, wars, Tyranny, Authoritarianism, Dictatorship, Poverty, illiteracy, extremism, exploitation, terrorism, Radicalism, Unemployment, Sexism, Harassment, Corruption, Criminal activity, Inequality, Dishonesty, Being silenced,

Inequality, Conflict, Religious friction, Hegemony, Economic vulnerability, Climate change, Depletion of resources, Over population, Environmental degradation, Political instability, Lack of resources, Governmental secrecy, Religious division, Media misrepresentation.

Gender equality:

50% of seeds representatives shall be of each gender To reach this goal .

Seeds membership

Every child or young person that fulfills the following requirements is a full member of Seeds:

1. Accepts "Seeds" aims, Principles and the Statutes.
2. Joining Seeds activities which achieve the goals of the organization.
3. 14 years old minimum .

Every child or young person that fulfills the above mentioned, and didn't pay his membership fees requirements will be considered observer member of Seeds:

The membership in "Seeds" is a right for all of Palestinian children and youth membership applications must be sent to the secretariat. And an written answer should be sent to the applicant within 1 week .

The membership for children, under the age of 18 is free, while the membership for the members above the age of 18 is 25 Euro yearly.

Paying Membership fees is a requirement for voting and holding positions inside seeds, while the members whom don't pay their membership fees, considered observers, they can join all the meetings, and to propose resolutions as well.

Full members and observers have the right to speak, and to present resolutions, in meetings of the Congress, and annual meetings, Full members have the right to speak, and vote, and to present proposals of resolutions.

Seeds bodies

1. The general Congress
2. The annual meeting
3. The Presidium
4. The secretary General
5. The secretariat
6. The Secretary General
7. Financial auditor

The Congress is the supreme body of Seeds. It determines policies and ensures their implementation within the framework of the Declaration of Principles and these Statutes, it decide any amendment on The Statues,. It controls the work of other Seeds bodies. And discusses the financial report, elect the secretary general, the presidium and the financial auditor.

The Congress convenes once every 2 years, takes place in September, and must be convoked by the Presidium at three months in advance, one moth in advance the call for nomination should be open for all the full members, The Presidium proposes an agenda for the Congress, An Extraordinary Congress can be convoked when the Presidium or 1/3 of all full member propose to do so, Every full member has one vote, observer members have no votes ,

The annual meeting

The annual meeting determines the policy of Seeds between the Congresses and ensures its implementation within the framework of the Statutes. It controls the activities of the Presidium, secretary general, the secretariat, And discusses the financial, and activity reports.

The Council assembles the year between years of a Congress and is convoked by the Presidium three months in advance. every member has one vote in the annual meeting, observer has the right to talk, and to propose resolutions, and has no right to vote.

PRESIDIUM

Between the Council and the Congress the highest decision taking body is the Presidium, which is responsible for leading the work of Seeds

The Presidium is composed of 13 members,

The Presidium must have at least 50 % from each gender.

Presidium members have to be a full members of Seeds

If the presidium member has changed its status in Seeds from full member to observer member, or leave the organization, , the Council, or the congress elects a new member.

The members of the Presidium are elected by the Congress for the period between the Congresses.

Candidatures must be presented together with a letter of motivation, that will be made public, to Seeds Secretariat at least two weeks before the Congress.

The member of the Presidium who is not present or substituted on three consecutive meetings of the Presidium, loses their mandate with immediate effect, unless the member has sought leave from the Presidium to be absent from that meeting and the same is granted. A reason for asking for leave from the Presidium meeting must be presented by the Presidium member. If leave is granted by passing a motion of the Presidium, that Presidium member shall be considered excused at that Presidium meeting for the purposes of this attendance criteria.

The Presidium, during its first meeting after the World Congress, defines each Vice President's portfolio and role.

The Secretary General will execute the decisions made by the Congress, the annual meeting, and the Presidium. The Secretary General manages the work of the Secretariat.

If the Secretary General resigns, the Presidium elects a new Secretary General to be ratified by the next annual meeting or congress .

The Secretary General will work out a political, organizational and financial report which is to be presented to the Presidium for approval. The report shall then be presented to the Council and to the Congress.

The Presidium in its entirety is responsible to the Congress for the finances of Seeds. The financial report has to be discussed by the annual meeting, and the congress,

The sources of finance are membership fees; incomes from activities and publications; donations, and other allocations; and unconditional grants from national, regional and international institutions. The finances of Seeds must be presented to a qualified external auditor on an annual basis.

Seeds is represented through its President and its vice president, and the treasury, . On financial matters .

The members will be informed about the long-term plans for Seeds through an action plan that presents planning of activities, political initiatives and strategic priorities. The action plan should also inform which Presidium members – individually or collectively – bear the responsibility for such preparations on behalf of the Presidium.

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Seed Association for Development and Culture



Nablus 28th February 2018

To: The International Falcon Movement-Socialist Educational International

From: Seeds association for development and culture- Palestine

As Seeds association for development and culture secretary general, and president we are very pleased to inform you that our presidium has confirmed through his meeting on 26th February, his full support, and commitment on the aims and principles and constitution of IFM-SEI, on 27th February, the general council of Seeds held its annual meeting, where A resolution passed with consensus about accepting the aims and principles and constitution of IFM-SEI.

Seeds Secretary General

Raed Debiy

Seeds President

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Seeds association for development and culture

Activity PLAN 2018

January

The office will be closed for construction works

February

Languages club: 40 Hours courses in the English, Russian, and French languages will be open free for children and youth .

March

The social justice project: this project has started four years ago, the idea of it is to offer platform for people, mainly youth, and women, to discuss the public policies in Palestine, directly with the decision makers in Palestine, in March we will start 2018 activities, every moth 2 seminars will be organizes.

April

the 3rd Nablus Festival for Culture and Arts,

is a grassroots initiative in partnership with cultural actors that are active in Palestine and in partnership with the Municipality of Nablus. The festival will take place between April 11th and 20th 2018, for 10 days we will have art Exhibitions, film screenings, conferences, workshops and concerts in the old city of Nablus, Balata camp, Old Askar Camp and New Askar Camp.

May :

Our annual conference: 70 years of conflict, which path is possible, the conference will be organize by Seeds in cooperation with willy brandt center.

June:

Languages club: 40 Hours courses in the English language will be open free for children and youth in cooperation with NEWPAL .

July :

The annual meeting of Seeds.

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August:

Summer camps: this summer camp with 500 children will focus on " how to protect and save water

September :

Human rights school: in cooperation with the Red Cross in Palestine, we organize three schools yearly, for human rights education, for children, and youth.

October

Capacity building course: a capacity building courses will be organized; the topics will focus on strength the technical capacity of youth and children in Palestine.

November and December

My city: the idea of my city project is to publish the values of voluntary within the school's students in Palestine, by giving training courses about the voluntary work, and to follow the training with campaigns.

Seeds Secretary General
Raed Debiy
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اتحاد شباب الاستقلال Independence Youth Union



Occupied Jerusalem 5TH March 2018

Dear Comrades,

Letter of recommendation

Independence Youth Union (IYU), Palestine, Hereby Support “Seeds association for development and culture “call to join our family .

SEEDS is one of the Palestinian active organizations who actively working for freedom, Equality, peace, gender equality, Environmental sustainability, children’s rights, education, solidarity, and democracy.

SEEDS is one of the active organizations in Palestine, and its activities, especially with the children, and education always plays progressive role in the process of democracy and development in Palestine, furthermore, Seeds regularly organize its congress and democratically elect its board and other representatives, with gender equality system .

We deeply believe “Seeds association for development and culture “ can contribute to the work that lies ahead of IFM- SEI, Seeds eager to work towards a strong Social Democratic world, and with the principles of our IFM-SEI Family .

We strongly recommend SEEDS membership application in IFM-SEI.

Best wishes

ALI HLAYEL

International Secretary

Independence Youth Union



Jerusalem,
December 2017

Certificate Social Justice Project

In cooperation with the Future Leadership Project of the Willy Brandt Center Jerusalem Seeds Association for Development and Culture takes part of our Social Justice Project.

Within the period of 2014 and 2017 Seeds Association for Development and Culture together with the political cooperation of the Willy Brandt Center Jerusalem facilitated 10 Seminars each year regarding political topics around Social Justice.

To strengthen the political abilities of our young activists we discussed questions like gender equality, dialogue, diplomacy and peace politics as well as education and economic policy and looked for socialist and socialdemocratic approaches. Furthermore we were happy to welcome the young activists of our Social Justice Project on several delegation exchanges with our partnerorganizations Jusos in der SPD, Young Awoda and Young Meretz.