

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES OF NACE AND ITS PARTNERS

• REGIONAL RESEARCH ON CIVIC EDUCATION

With the purpose of raising the awareness of CE and NACE activities, but also aiming at building a detailed knowledge base on approaches, practices, stakeholders and requirements of CE in the Arab world, DEDI – Danish Egyptian Dialogue Institute will lead a regional research in order to map Arab Civic Education activities in two to four Arab countries among the following: Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco, Lebanon and Jordan.

• EGYPTIAN SUB-NETWORK

DEDI will initiate a kick-off meeting for the creation of an active sub-network in Egypt as a pilot project among Civic Education stakeholders. The purpose of the meeting is to come up with a series of monthly events that aim at gathering different CE stakeholders at one single platform which connects and enhances the diverse initiatives.

• CIVIC EDUTAINMENT MANUAL

As “Entertainment” is proved to be a pivotal component of learning, DEDI will conduct a documentation of civic education tools that use entertainment and art as a way of learning. The documentation aims at raising the awareness of the concept “Civic Edutainment” and encourages CE practitioners to adopt it for more interactive and experiential learning experiences in CE field.

• GOETHE INSTITUTE CAIRO & “HAUS AM MAIBERG” STUDY TRIP

The NACE Partner Goethe Institute Cairo is planning a study trip to Germany for stakeholders of CE from the MENA Region with the intention to foster exchange and knowledge transfer.

• GOETHE INSTITUTE CAIRO ORGANIZES TRAINING OF TRAINERS (TOT)

In cooperation with the centre for Applied Policy Research of the LMU Munich (CAP) and with funds from the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Training-of-Trainers (Tot)-workshops will be organised for dedicated stakeholders from Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt and Jordan.

The aim is to train multipliers in the field of tolerance, diversity, democratisation and human rights. Moreover, the trip aims at supporting the networking between the civil societies in the Arab region.

• CEC III

In 2018 NACE will organize the third Civic Education Conference (CEC). Inspired by NECE, the conference will take place in the Middle East, gathering over 200 participants from a variety of fields and countries in order to discuss, exchange and to develop proposals aiming at developing the civic education sector. The first CEC in Egypt and Tunisia were organized and arranged by the Goethe Institute Cairo and their partners.

AVAILABLE PUBLICATIONS

THE MAKING OF CITIZENSHIP IN EUROPE AND NORTH AFRICA

<http://www.bpb.de/veranstaltungen/netzwerke/nece/205935/the-makir-of-citizens-in-europe-and-north-africa>

DOCUMENTATION OF THE CIVIC EDUCATION CONFERENCE 2016

<http://www.goethe.de/ins/eg/pri/cec/enindex.htm>

THE ROAD TO CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION IN EGYPT

<http://www.cefp-edu.com/en/News/Details/2053/the-road-to-citizenship-education-in-egypt>

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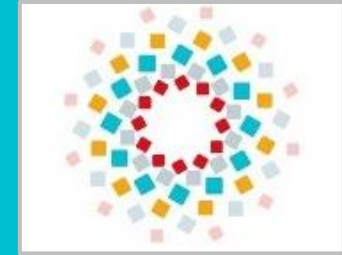


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WHY NACE?

Today European countries struggle with political disengagement, xenophobia and nationalism. The current migration and refugees crisis highlights the interdependency of the European and the Arab regions, and strengthens the need for closer cooperation on civic education.

Further development of CE is an essential asset for the political transition process in the Arab Region that started in 2011. A strong Civic Education (CE) sector is an essential part of the foundations of societies, which are economically, socially and environmentally sustainable. In the Arab Region there are some practices related to CE which have a long history that could be built upon and further developed.

Peaceful, sustainable, successful societies build on the combination of strong institutions, a political culture that makes it possible for all groups and individuals to contribute and to be recognized as valid members of society, and a political culture that combines diversity and belonging.

Acknowledging how important it is to provide a sustainable structure to look into the pressing challenges of the day like migration, high youth unemployment, low participation, radicalisation, migration and instability, we aim at building a **Network for Arab Civic Education**.

NACE builds on and promotes values enabling **PARTICIPATION** of citizens and institutions, **RESPONSIBILITY** of citizens and institutions to care for individuals and society, **INCLUSIVITY** that cherishes and builds on the benefits and synergies of diversity, and **TRANSPARENCY** that provides for open and accountable cooperation.

VISION - MISSION - GOALS

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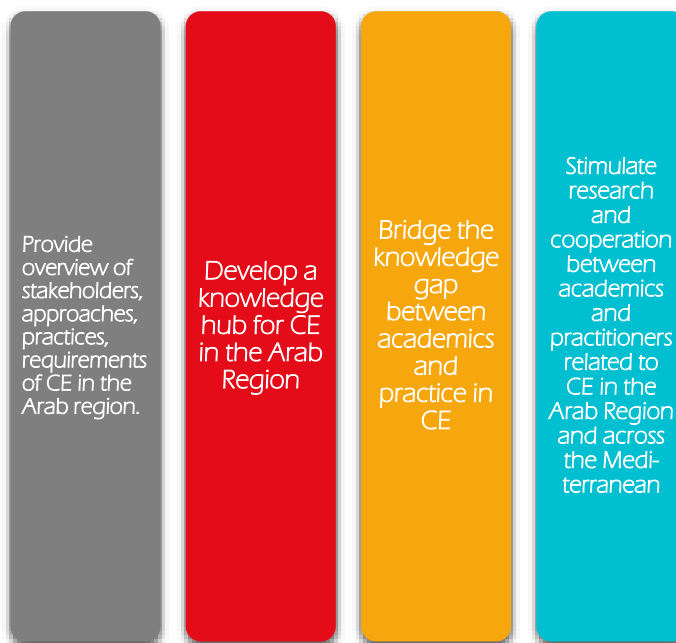
NACE provides spaces for exchanges on knowledge and tools in order to advocate Civic Education in the Arab Region. By inspiring and engaging a variety of stakeholders to actively participate in constant renewals of the social contract, **NACE** places the responsibility on itself to contribute to cohesion and communality on local, national and international levels.

MISSION:

NACE is a platform that connects and enhances the diverse initiatives of Civic Education in the Arab Region.

GOALS:

The aim of **NACE** and its partners is to establish a long-term exchange between Europe and the Arab region. Therefore **NACE** carved out some essential goals:



WHAT WE CAN BUILD ON

The idea of **NACE** started in connection with the framework of **NECE** - *Networking European Citizenship Education*. **NECE** is a platform which promoted CE from South to North, from the Balkans to Ukraine in a decade. Every year **NECE** brings together hundreds of practitioners, academics, (non-) governmental organizations and representatives of civil society from all over Europe and since 2012 from the southern Mediterranean to discuss, exchange, expose and develop approaches that help solving the pressing issues of the day, giving civil society a strong role in this process. Within this framework a Focus Group (FG) was set up to support the establishment of a sustainable and long-term forum of exchange, knowledge transfer and cooperation between stakeholders of CE and civil society from North African states in transition and European countries. Consequently, and evolving organically with the group's consultations: three main initiatives were catalyzed by the FG: stocktaking, a documentation effort and a dialogue in addition to the **NECE** Conference with a focus on the Arab Region.

TODAY NACE CAN BUILD ON

- ★ The base of an **ONLINE DATABASE** providing an overview of CE in the Euro-Med region by brief country profiles in Arabic and English
- ★ **IN-DEPTH MAPPING OF EGYPT** «*The Road to Civic Education in Egypt*» which provides a pilot for building on its methodology to be reproduced around the region as an approach for stocktaking and identifying new stakeholders and fields of activities
- ★ A **CONFERENCE FORMAT** (*CEC – Civic Education Conference, Alexandria 2013, Tunis 2016*, initiated and organized by the Goethe Institute Cairo and Partners) as a platform for dialogue, with over 200 participants
- ★ A list of **RECOMMENDATIONS** of diverse stakeholders of CE in the region
- ★ **NECE** as a **SISTER PLATFORM** with access to several thousand stakeholders of CE from governmental and nongovernmental sector, of academics and practitioners
- ★ **OPPORTUNITIES** to exchange on recent experiences of transition with the **NECE** Focus Group on Exchange with countries of the Eastern Partnership countries of the EU and a network of alumni of «Civic Education in Action Program» from Eastern and South Eastern Europe

