

HUMAN SECURITY AND CO-DEVELOPMENT: A PERSPECTIVE FOR THE NEW GENERATIONS

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Presentation

The last five years showed that the Mediterranean region is more dynamic than ever. The political and economic changes experienced by the countries of the basin demonstrated the necessity of a constant adaptation on the path to shared prosperity and mutual understanding between societies. More than twenty years after the Barcelona Process in 1995 and eight years after the birth of the Union for the Mediterranean, the essential objective of the construction of a space of stability and dialogue requires more dedication and effort by all the actors implicated.

It is more obvious than ever that these challenges cannot be simply confronted through national solutions or domestic policies. The need of a common foreign policy strategy by multiple actors is becoming an imperative. The humanitarian crisis across the Mediterranean Sea generated both by the exponential growth of migratory flows as well as the constant threats in the field of security by terrorism and criminal organizations, are among the major problems policy makers and experts have to face.

Therefore, the key of the success lies in the improvement of the mechanisms of dialogue and cooperation between all actors. In order to contribute to the interests and the values shared by the countries of the Dialogue 5+5, the Med Think 5+5 network has the main objective of fostering and encouraging inclusive processes of study and dissemination of the causes and the solutions to the main challenges in the Western Mediterranean by gathering representatives of governments, academics, research institutes, and civil society.

In this context, this workshop organized by the European Institute of the Mediterranean, the Tunisian Institute of the Strategic Studies and the Med Think 5+5 network will be an excellent opportunity to share knowledge and ideas, while encouraging a better cooperation by associating leading experts to discuss about human security, the perspectives for new generations and the viability of moving towards a co-development agenda.

Program

14.45-15.00 Accreditations

15.00 Welcome Address

Hatem Ben Salem. Director, Tunisian Institute for Strategic Studies - ITES, Tunisia

Senén Florensa. Executive President, European Institute of the Mediterranean - IEMed, Spain.

15.15-15.45 Opening

Juan López-Dóriga Pérez. Ambassador of the Kingdom of Spain in Tunis, Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation - MAEC, Spain.

Radhouane Ayara. Secretary of State of Immigration and Tunisians abroad, Government of the Tunisian Republic, Tunisia.

15.45-17.15 First session: Human Security, Stability and Cooperation. The basic conditions for co-development.

This session will approach the challenges bound to the degradation of the conditions of human security recently suffered by the Western Mediterranean countries, caused by bad economic perspectives, war and violence, political destabilization and other factors. It will also be devoted to discuss the need of assuring a certain degree of stability and the opportunity to improve the level of cooperation at the heart of the 5+5 Dialogue by sharing ideas and developing better mutual understanding.

Chair: Senén Florensa. Executive President, European Institute of the Mediterranean - IEMed, Spain.

Participants:

Abdelhak Bassou. Senior Fellow, OCP Policy Center, Morocco.

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Mehdi Taje. Director of Strategic Studies, Tunisian Institute of Strategic Studies - ITES, Tunisia.

17.15-17.45 Coffee Break

17.45-19.15 Second Session: A Western Mediterranean connected to the creation of youth employment

Youth represents both the present and the future of our societies. This is particularly true for the Western Mediterranean in light of respective demographic outlooks. These countries and their youths face similar challenges in the economic, social, and political realms. This session will allow for a forward-looking exchange of perspectives and experiences with a view to turning challenges related to youth into opportunities for decent and sustainable job creation, and therefore increased prosperity and stronger cooperation.

Chair: Faten Kallel. Secretary of State for Youth, Government of the Tunisian Republic, Tunisia.

Participants:

Eva Martínez Sánchez. Deputy Director General for the Maghreb, Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation - MAEC, Spain.

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Mohamed Benaouda Kefif. Director of Research, Department of strategies of economic and social development, Institut National d'Etudes de Stratégie Globale - INESG, Algeria.

Roger Albinyana. Director, Department of Euro-Mediterranean policies, European Institute of the Mediterranean - IEMed, Spain.

Soumaya Ben Letaifa. Professor, University of Quebec at Montreal - UQAM, Canada.

19.15 Closing

Bettina Muscheidt. Ambassador, Delegation of the European Union in Libya, European External Action Service – EEAS, Brussels.

20.00 Dinner offered by IEMed

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