



# Your Guide to the United Nations in Yemen



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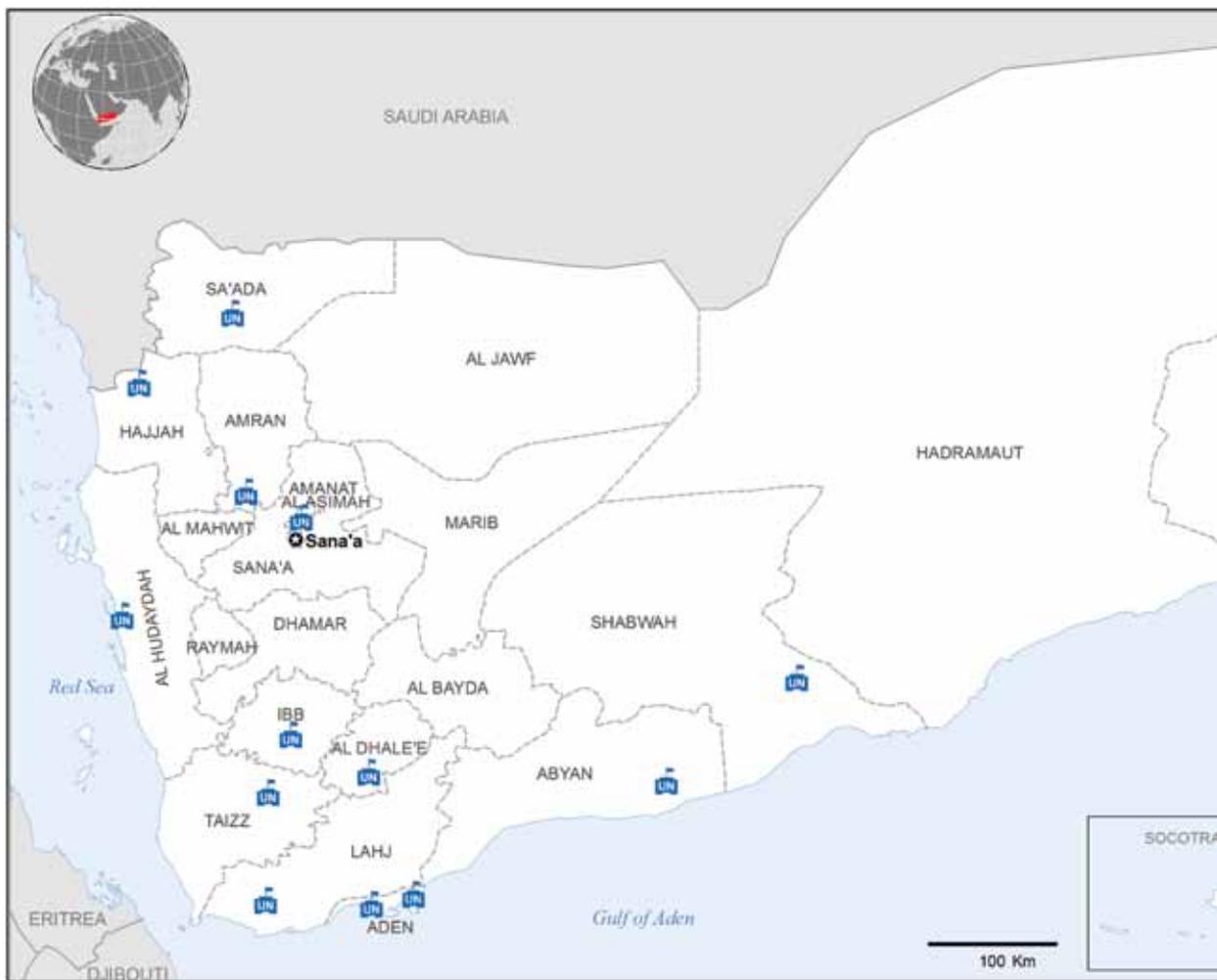
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*The United Nations has around 1000 staff working in Yemen on development, humanitarian and political issues.*

*This guide will give you a quick introduction to the various UN entities active in Yemen: Who we are, what we do, where we work, as well as how you can get in touch with us.*

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## RC

# The Resident Coordinator of the UN in Yemen

The UN Resident Coordinator (RC) is the chief of the UN diplomatic mission in Yemen and leader of the UN Country Team of Agencies (UNCT).

The RC is, together with the UNCT, responsible for preparing policies of joint UN Development support to Yemen, such as the UN Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF).

The RC and his office aim to bring together the different UN agencies to improve the efficiency of UN activities in Yemen. The coordination of development operations promotes stronger strategic support to national plans and priorities, increases efficiency of operations, and reduces transaction costs. This makes UN a better, more relevant and more reliable partner for the Government of Yemen.

The RC in Yemen also promotes the country and its development needs as expressed by the Government and other partners in Yemen in international fora. In November 2014 he briefed the Chief Executive Board in Washington DC along with the World Bank to place Yemen's long term development needs on the agenda. This is the first time a country from the region has been discussed in this high level meeting chaired by the Secretary-General, bringing together the heads of all UN entities and the World Bank to discuss longer term development needs.

The current RC in Yemen is also the UNDP Resident Representative (RR), as well as the UN Designated Official (DO) responsible for the security of UN staff in the country supported by the UN Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS).

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## SASG

# The Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Yemen

The Special Adviser to the Secretary-General (SASG) on Yemen has been leading the UN's political efforts on the ground since April 2011, and has established an office in Sana'a to provide substantive support through the provision of political facilitation and mediation, expertise and technical assistance, and outreach initiatives.

In November 2011, face-to-face negotiations between the ruling party and the opposition, facilitated by Special Adviser Jamal Benomar, led to the signing of the GCC Initiative and Implementation Mechanism (Transitional Agreement) in Riyadh. The Agreement served as a roadmap for the transition and secured inclusive participation. In February 2012, early presidential elections were held, which brought Abdu Rabbi Mansour Hadi into office, and a national unity government was formed.

In January 2014, the National Dialogue Conference (NDC) was completed successfully, resulting in the unanimous adoption of a final report, which provides a road map for the constitution-making process and subsequent referendum and general elections expected in 2015/16.

In September 2014, against the background of ongoing conflict between the Houthis and pro-Islah armed groups and government forces, the SASG brokered the Peace and National Partnership Agreement, which brought an end to the immediate violent confrontations. The SASG and his team will continue to support the transition as well as the implementation of the agreement, in close cooperation with the Yemenis, the Gulf Cooperation Council, the UNCT, as well as other international partners.

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# HC

## The Humanitarian Coordinator in Yemen

The Humanitarian Coordinator (HC) guides the overall humanitarian response efforts in Yemen. He oversees the coordination of UN agencies and other partners working on the delivery of humanitarian assistance, policy development, and humanitarian advocacy as well as mobilization of resources to fund the Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan (YHRP).

The Humanitarian Coordinator is accountable to the Emergency Response Coordinator primarily for facilitating and ensuring quick, effective, and well-coordinated provision of humanitarian assistance to people affected by humanitarian crisis in Yemen. He oversees the allocation of funding of the Emergency Response Fund (ERF) and the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) supported by OCHA.

**Humanitarian Coordinator:** Mr. Johannes van der Klaauw. He is also the UNHCR Representative in Yemen.

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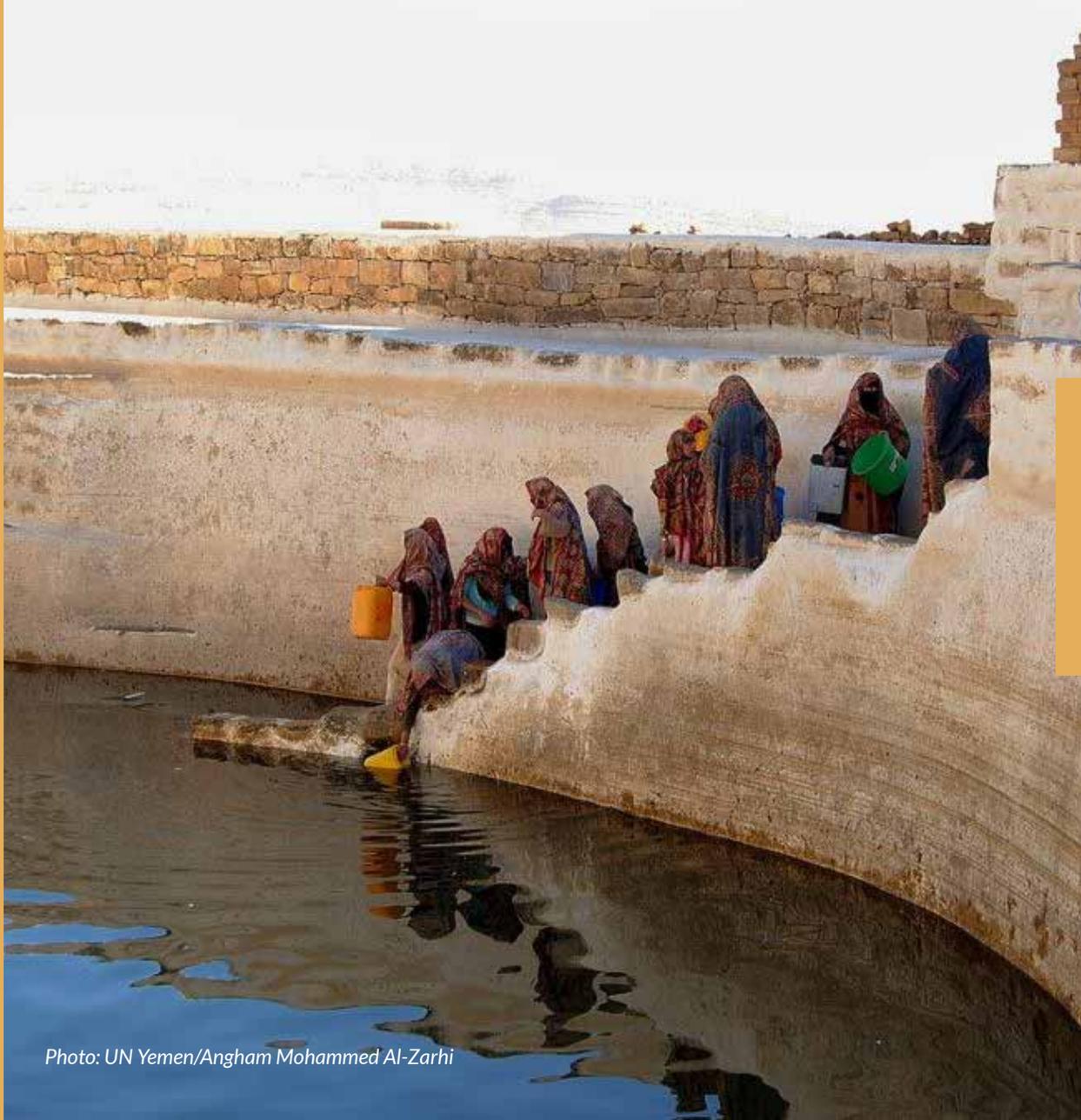


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FAO

# Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN



In line with a resilience based approach, FAO's plan of action for Yemen 2014-2018 aims at addressing the food and nutrition insecurity, contributing to the alleviation of rural poverty, and enhancing national capacities to manage and respond to risks and threats in the agriculture, fisheries and water sectors.

FAO programs target migrants, refugees, IDPs, returnees, vulnerable groups, hosting families, smallholder farmers, fishing communities, also supporting evidence based policy development through strengthening sustainable food security information system in Yemen.

FAO is focusing on mainstreaming peace-building and conflict prevention into its strategic approach covering short, medium and long-term intervention programs.

FAO has 40 staff in Yemen, based in Sana'a, Aden, and Hajjah.

**Budget 2014:** \$21,000,000

**Main donors:** Belgium, CERF, EU, Netherlands, OFDA/USA, and PBF

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IFAD



# International Fund for Agricultural Development

IFAD's mission is to enable poor rural people to overcome poverty. IFAD focuses on country-specific solutions, involving poor rural people increasing their access to financial, market and technology services, as well as land and other natural resources. IFAD's goal is to empower poor rural women and men to achieve higher incomes and improved food security.

Yemen was one of the first countries to receive financing from the organization. IFAD has been involved in development initiatives in Yemen since 1979, financing a total of USD 258 million in loans and grants to date for 23 programmes and projects, including co-financing the support amounts to \$ 905 million. This has directly benefitted 771,000 households, or approximately 5.4 million

people.

IFAD's Programme focuses explicitly on the creation of economic and employment opportunities for rural poor through community mobilization, strengthening producer's organizations, improving the management of natural resources and building community's resource resilience.

Currently, IFAD's ongoing programmes funded by IFAD in Yemen include the Al-Dhala Community Resource Management Project (2007 - 2014), Rain-fed Agriculture and Livestock Project (2009 - 2014), Economic Opportunities Programme (2010 - 2016), Fisheries Investment Programme (2012 - 2018), Yemen Invest - Rural Employment Programme (2012 - 2018), Rural Growth Programme (2014 - 2020).

In Yemen, IFAD has three national staff, while three other staff are covering Yemen from the headquarters in Rome. Financed programmes and projects are implemented by autonomous management units under the Yemeni Government.

**Budget 2014:** \$12,725,848

**Co-financers:** EC, GEF, IDB, Kuwait Fund, and WB

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# ILO

## International Labour Organization



Established in 1919, the ILO is devoted to advancing social justice for women and men through decent and productive work in conditions of freedom, equity, security and human dignity. As the United Nations agency responsible for international labour standards and the preservation of labour rights, the ILO is made up of 182 member states along with workers' and employers' organizations from around the world. The tripartite nature of the ILO makes the organization the only UN agency where government representatives, workers and employers jointly shape policies and programmes with the aim to promote rights at work, encourage decent employment, promote gender equality, enhance social protection and strengthen social dialogue.

In Yemen, the ILO operates within the framework of a two-year programme (2014-2015) that concentrates efforts on key issues to support the government and donors during the current economic and political transition.

The two-year framework aims to respond to short-term needs of Yemen's transitional period, while building on the ILO's previous experience and the outcomes of Yemen's national dialogue process.

The ILO's activities in Yemen focus on three priority areas: 1) Enhancing the Labor market governance through policy dialogue; 2) Supporting economic recovery and the inclusion of youth and women; 3) Strengthening social protection and economic inclusion for the most vulnerable groups.

ILO has three staff in Yemen based in Sana'a, supported by the Regional Office in Beirut and Headquarters in Geneva.

**Budget 2014:** \$1,200,000

**Main Donors:** Norway, PBF, SDC, and Silatech.

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IOM

# International Organization for Migration



IOM was established in 1951. Its constitution recognizes the link between migration and economic, social and cultural development, while control of standards of admission and number of immigrants to be admitted are matters within states' domestic jurisdiction. IOM counts 157 member states. Yemen joined in 1999.

In Yemen, IOM is engaged in cross-sectoral issues, including humanitarian support to vulnerable migrants, internally displaced persons (IDPs), returnees and conflict affected communities, through food and food item distribution, shelter, primary and emergency health care and nutrition, access to critical water resources and sanitation, hygiene

awareness, counter-trafficking and psychosocial counselling. IOM also implements hundreds of quick-impact and rapid response community projects.

IOM's technical cooperation on migration management aims at enhancing national policy, legislative and administrative frameworks, as well as better border management, identification and protection of vulnerable migrants. In coordination with the government, as well as UNHCR, IOM arranges repatriation and voluntary return assistance for individuals or groups either willing to return to their places of origin or being accepted for resettlement.

IOM has 394 staff in Yemen based in Sana'a, Abyan, Aden, Amran, Al Dhale'e, Hajjah, Al Jawf, Lahj, Marib, Shabwa and Taiz.

**Budget 2014:** \$36,000,000

**Main donors:** EU, Finland, Japan, KSA, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, UN, and USA.

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OCHA

# UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs



OCHA's mission is to mobilize and coordinate effective and principled humanitarian action in partnership with national and international partners to alleviate human suffering in disasters and emergencies, advocate for the rights of people in need, promote emergency preparedness and prevention, and facilitate sustainable solutions to humanitarian needs. The OCHA office was established in 2010, mainly to support the Humanitarian Coordinator and the Humanitarian Country Team to coordinate the response to the humanitarian crisis in Yemen. OCHA facilitates strategic response planning and manages the Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan (YHRP).

In 2014, the YHRP requires \$596 to meet the humanitarian needs of 7.6 million vulnerable

people in Yemen out of 14.7 million who need some form of humanitarian assistance.

Other core functions of OCHA include humanitarian information management, public information and advocacy, resource mobilization, humanitarian financing, humanitarian policy development, and emergency preparedness and response planning.

The main donors of the YHRP in 2014 are Australia, Canada, CERF, Denmark, EC, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, USA, allocation of funds from Red Cross/Red Crescent, and unspecified private individuals and organisations.

OCHA has 45 staff based in Sana'a, Haradh, Sa'adah and Aden.

**Budget 2014:** \$ 5,200,000

**Main donors:** Canada, DFID, ECHO, and USAID

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**OHCHR**

# Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights



The mission of OHCHR is to work for the protection of human rights for all people, to help empower people to realize their rights and to assist those responsible for upholding such rights in ensuring that they are implemented. In carrying out its mission OHCHR gives priority to addressing the most pressing human rights violations, both acute and chronic, particularly those that put life in imminent peril. OHCHR focuses on those who are at risk and vulnerable to multiple forms of human rights violations and addresses equally the realization of civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights, including the right to development.

OHCHR opened its country office in Yemen in 2012 and has since then supported the transitional justice process, accountability, and the rule of law structures in the country. Furthermore, OHCHR works with the Government, legislatures, courts, national institutions, civil society, regional and international organizations, and the United Nations system to develop and strengthen capacity, particularly at the national level, for the protection of human rights in accordance with international norms. Institutionally, OHCHR is supporting the United Nations sister agencies to mainstream human rights into their respective development and humanitarian programmes.

OHCHR currently has a team of 15 staff in Yemen, based in Sana'a with regular field deployments.

**Budget 2014:** \$2,331,920

**Main donors:** Netherlands, ERF, PBF

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# UNAIDS

## Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS



UNAIDS is an innovative UN partnership that leads and inspires the world in achieving universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support. UN AIDS vision is summarized by the three zeros: Zero new HIV infections, Zero discrimination and Zero AIDS-related deaths.

In Yemen, UNAIDS aims to support the national response to reduce sexual transmission of HIV among vulnerable groups and populations most at risk. This is done by conducting comprehensive prevention programmes, raising awareness about HIV/AIDS in communities and emergency setting for internally displaced persons (IDPs), and Generate strategic information –known epidemic –for better planning for key population interventions and improves M&E. UNAIDS works with the government, civil society and People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLHIV) associations to eliminate stigma

and discrimination against people who are living with, or in various ways are affected by, HIV. UNAIDS also work to improve access to treatment care and support services by advocating for increased resource allocation from government, UN co-sponsors and donors, as well as facilitating a dialogue addressing human rights-related barriers to HIV and access to justice.

This is done by promoting laws and policies that ensure the full realization of all human rights and fundamental freedoms for affected people as well as improved quality of and increased access to available treatment and care services.

UNAIDS also works to eliminate gender inequalities, fight gender-based abuse and violence, and to increase the capacity of women and girls to protect themselves from HIV.

UNAIDS has one staff in Yemen, based in Sana'a.

**Budget 2014:** \$234,000

**Main donors:** DFID, Netherlands Embassy in Sana'a, PEPFAR and UN co-sponsors

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UNDP

# UN Development Programme



UNDP helps countries build and share solutions to achieve poverty reduction and the Millennium Development Goals, democratic governance, crisis prevention and recovery, and environment and energy for sustainable development.

UNDP helps attract and use aid efficiently and encourages the protection of human rights, capacity development and the empowerment of women.

In Yemen, UNDP has aligned financial and programmatic support with the government's Transitional Plan and the GCC Implementation Mechanism, with special focus on

elections, transitional justice, human rights, the National Dialogue, youth employment generation, and early recovery. Moreover, UNDP also support the people of Yemen to implement the National Peace and Partnership Agreement within the context of its programme in Yemen.

As part of its regular programs, UNDP supports projects related to the environment, climate change, HIV/AIDS and gender initiatives.

UNDP has 160 staff in Yemen, based in Sana'a, Aden, and Sa'ada.

**Budget 2014:** \$27,233,367

**Main Donors:** Australia, DFID/UK, Denmark, GEF, Italy, Japan, KSA, Netherlands, Norway, OCHA, PBF, SIDA, Turkey, UNV, USAID/USA, and Private Sector Partners

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UNESCO



# UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNESCO contributes to peace building, eradication of poverty, sustainable development and intercultural dialogue through education, science, culture, communications and information. UNESCO's work in Yemen mainly consists of capacity building.

UNESCO is committed to defending, promoting and preserving the cultural heritage of Yemen, home to four sites inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List. UNESCO has developed cultural cooperation with partners in Yemen to guarantee care and preservation of the country's extensive historical and cultural heritage.

UNESCO has also organized workshops to strengthen education planning and management systems. As part of UNESCO's

Capacity Development for Education for All programme, a national Yemeni team of six experts successfully conducted a needs assessment, resulting in a proposed plan of action around advocacy and communication, building partnerships, capacity development and training, and monitoring and evaluation. UNESCO seeks to strengthen capacities of Yemeni journalists and support the development of the country's media landscape.

As such, UNESCO is launching a Media Development Indicators' assessment and has supported the participation of three Yemeni photographers at a UNESCO photojournalism workshop in Amman last October.

UNESCO Yemen is covered by the UNESCO Office in Doha which serves as the Cluster Office for the GCC and Yemen.

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UNFPA

# UN Population Fund



UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, delivers a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every child birth is safe, and every young person's potential is fulfilled.

UNFPA globally works to achieve universal access to sexual and reproductive health (including family planning), promote reproductive rights, and reduce maternal mortality to accelerate progress on International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) Agenda and the Millennium Development Goal 5 in order to empower and improve the lives of underserved populations, especially women and young people enabled by understanding of population dynamics, human rights and gender equality driven by country needs and tailored to country context.

In Yemen, UNFPA contributes substantially to improving access to reproductive health and family planning services and commodities. UNFPA supports the integration of population issues in development plans and policies. UNFPA provides humanitarian assistance and protection to internally displaced people.

UNFPA supports the participation of women and youth during the national transition process ensuring the inclusion of their voices and aspirations in the outcomes of the National Dialogue Conference and translated into the new constitution.

UNFPA has 27 staff in Yemen based in Sana'a, Haradh and Aden. Working geographical areas are Abyan, Aden, Amran, Al-Baida, Al-Jawf, Hadramaut, Hajjah, Ibb, Lahj, Sada'a, Sana'a and Shabwah.

**Budget 2014:** \$14,000,000

**Main donors:** Denmark, DFID, Japan, KFW, Netherlands, OCHA, PBF, and UNFPA thematic trust funds.

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# UNHCR

## UN High Commissioner for Refugees



UNHCR is the UN's Refugee Agency and is mandated to lead and co-ordinate international action to protect refugees and resolve refugee problems worldwide. Its primary purpose is to safeguard the rights and well-being of refugees.

UNHCR has worked in Yemen since 1987. Yemen is the only country in the Arabian Peninsula to have signed the 1951 Refugee Convention and 1967 Protocol.

With over 600,000 people of concern to the organization, UNHCR addresses three simultaneous challenges in Yemen: the presence of a protracted, mostly urban, refugee population – the large majority from the Horn of Africa; emergency and prolonged internal displacement; and the complexities of mixed migration and trafficking.

UNHCR has a presence in 8 of Yemen's 22 governorates. With a Branch Office in the capital city, Sana'a, UNHCR maintains a Sub Office in Aden, Field Offices in Haradh and Kharaz, Field Units in Sa'ada and Mayfa'a, and oversees reception centers in Mayfa'a and Ahwar and transit centers at Bab-el-Mandab, Mayfa'a Hagir, and Kaida.

**Budget 2014:** \$55,986,371

**Main Donors:** Canada, CERF, EU, Germany, Japan, Sweden, Switzerland, Republic of Korea, and USA

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UNICs

## UN Information Centre

The UN Information Centre was established in 1994 as a joint cooperation between the Government of Yemen represented by the Ministry of Information and the UN.

The purpose of the centre is to provide all informational and journalistic services as circulated by the UN Information Department in New York.

The main tasks of the centre is to raise awareness about the UN in Yemen, for example around the releases of UN international reports such as the annual World Human Development Report. The center also translates press releases and distributes them to all media outlets in Yemen, especially statements by the UN Secretary-General. The Center works together with the Yemeni

government and UN Agencies to mark international days and occasions, well as organizing different functions and workshops for members of media. UNIC, in cooperation with the UN Communication Group, organize media sessions for Yemeni journalists on a monthly basis, covering various aspects of UN's work in the country.

UNIC Sana'a produces a monthly newsletter that covers activities of the UN Agencies accredited in Yemen.

The office also hosts an 'internet corner' where researchers and students can learn about the various aspects of the UN.

UNIC in Yemen has three staff members based in Sana'a

**Budget 2014:** \$71,000

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UNIDO

# UN Industrial Development Organization



UNIDO's mandate is to promote and accelerate sustainable industrial development by generating and disseminating industry related knowledge and providing technical support on poverty reduction, inclusive globalization and environmental sustainability.

UNIDO in Yemen is following up the progress of the Montreal Protocol activities. While primarily concerned with the issue of eliminating ozone depleting substances (ODS),

the activities carried out by UNIDO also enable the industries concerned to achieve increased productivity and improved economic performance in terms of lower operating costs, less maintenance and higher product quality as well as reliability.

These activities also make a major contribution to generating employment, both by sustaining existing jobs and creating new ones.

UNIDO in Yemen is covered by the UNIDO Field Office in Sudan.

**Budget 2014:** \$ 441,000

**Main donors:** EU, GEF, Montreal Protocol, Multi-donor trust funds

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UNICEF

# UN Children's Fund



UNICEF advocates for the protection of children's rights, to help meet their basic needs and expand their opportunities to reach their full potential.

being victims of grave violations, addressing child marriage and advocating against the recruitment and use of children by armed forces and armed groups.

In Yemen, UNICEF works to improve maternal health and reduce child and under-five mortality; to improve nutrition and access to clean water; and achieve basic rights for children including preventing children from

UNICEF has 130 staff in Yemen, based in Aden, Taiz, Sana'a, Hodeida and Sa'ada

**Budget 2014:** \$129,927,198

**Main Donors:** EC, ECHO, Japan, Netherlands, GPE, Canada, EAC, SIDA, UK, and USAID/OFDA

**Representative:** Mr. Julien Harnais

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# UN Office on Drugs and Crime

UNODC is a global leader in the fight against international crime and is mandated to assist member states in their struggle against illicit drugs, crime and terrorism.

UNODC Programme in Yemen falls under the Regional Office for the Middle East and North Africa. Under its Programme for Drug Prevention, Crime Control and Criminal Justice Reform for the Arab States, UNODC supports the efforts through three sub-programmes: 1) countering illicit trafficking, organized crime and terrorism; 2) promoting justice and building integrity, and; 3) drug prevention and health. UNODC assisted the Government of Yemen in establishing the Strategy on Drug Control, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Reform 2013-2015.

The strategy is focused on four inter-dependent areas of work, namely: 1) countering illicit trafficking and organized criminal networks; 2) criminal justice reform and integrity; 3) strengthening criminal justice responses to terrorism, and; 4) drug prevention and health. UNODC is assisting the Yemeni competent authorities in the development of legal and institutional framework to combat human trafficking and to fight terrorism. It also aims at fostering Yemen's capacity to participate in international cooperation in criminal matters and at promoting closer regional cooperation.

UNODC has one staff member in Yemen, based in Sana'a.

**Budget 2014:** \$ 26,000

**Main donor:** USA

**Regional Representative:** Mr. Masood Karimipour, Cairo

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# United Nations Office for Project Services

The United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) is an operational arm of the United Nations, supporting the successful implementation of its partners' peacebuilding, humanitarian and development projects around the world. UNOPS provides project management, procurement and infrastructure services to governments, donors and UN organizations. UNOPS is ISO 9001 accredited and adheres to the highest quality standards in project management. UNOPS helps its partners deliver projects by providing a range of high quality, cost-effective project management services for peacebuilding, humanitarian and development operations across the globe. UNOPS helps partners meet their needs quickly, professionally and in a way that achieves real value for money.

UNOPS has provided operational support to the OSASG for Yemen in the context of their work on Yemen's political transition.

UNOPS has also provided operational support to the National Dialogue process as well as to the ongoing Constitution Drafting Process.

Through the project "Addressing Grievances in the South", UNOPS is providing support to promoting the engagement of the population in the south of Yemen in the country's political transition. The project is also providing technical assistance to two presidential Commissions on Land and Civil Service.

UNOPS is also the Local Fund Agent for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria in Yemen.

Currently, UNOPS has about 13 staff working in Yemen.

**Budget 2014:** \$18,000,000.

**Main donors:** GFATM, IRF, UNHCR, and YNDCRTF.

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The United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme contributes to peace and development through volunteerism worldwide.

Based in Bonn, Germany, UNV is active in around 130 countries. UNV has field units in 86 countries, represented worldwide through the offices of UNDP, and reports to the UNDP Executive Board.

Volunteerism is a powerful means of engaging people in tackling development challenges, and it can transform the pace and nature of development. Volunteerism benefits both society and the individual volunteer by strengthening trust, solidarity and reciprocity among citizens, and by purposefully creating opportunities for participation.

UNV advocates for recognition of volunteers, working with partners to integrate volunteerism into development programming. Globally,

UNV mobilizes a diversity of volunteers, including experienced UN Volunteers. UNV embraces volunteerism as universal and inclusive, and recognizes volunteerism in its diversity as well as the values that sustain it: Free will, commitment, engagement and solidarity.

The UNV programme in Yemen was established in 1971. The UNV Programme has been steadily growing in a joint undertaking with other UN Agencies as UNRC, UNDP, UNHCR, UNICEF, WHO, WFP, UNAIDS and UNFPA.

The UNV volunteers' team in Yemen have six overarching focuses: Securing access to basic social services, gender, community resilience for environment and disaster risk reduction, peace building, youth, and national capacity development.

UNV has three staff in Yemen, based in Sana'a.

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WFP

# UN World Food Programme



WFP is the world's largest humanitarian agency fighting hunger worldwide. WFP helps meet emergency and protracted relief food needs, supports economic and social development and promotes food security. In emergencies, WFP gets food to where it is needed, saving the lives of victims of war, civil conflict, economic crisis and natural disasters. Following emergencies, WFP uses food assistance to help restore food security and nutrition while supporting communities to rebuild shattered lives. It also helps communities to meet their own food needs, reduce malnutrition and break the intergenerational cycle of hunger.

In July 2014, WFP launched a new two-year protracted relief and recovery operation Safeguarding Lives, Boosting Food Security and Nutrition, and Building Resilience which will reach six million beneficiaries. The operation gradually shifts activities from relief towards recovery and resilience.

Beneficiaries include IDPs and returnees,

vulnerable populations in the most food insecure areas and those affected by transient crises – including returning migrant workers, children and expectant and nursing mothers affected by acute and chronic malnutrition, and school-age children. Assistance is provided through unconditional household food or cash distributions, participatory food assistance-for-training or work or assets activities, provision of nutritional support to treat and prevent acute, chronic and micronutrient malnutrition, and meals and take-home rations for school children to contribute to improved nutrition, learning and school attendance.

WFP also provides food assistance to refugees from the Horn of Africa, most of which are Somalis in Kharaz refugee camp outside Aden.

A third operation run by the logistics cluster provides regular flights for humanitarian workers to Sa'ada as well as a fuel provision service for agencies in Aden, Haradh and Sana'a.

WFP has 230 staff in Yemen, based in Aden, Al Hudaydah, Haradh, Sana'a and Sa'ada.

**Budget 2014:** \$ 220,000,000

**Main donors:** Australia, Canada, EU, Finland, Germany, Japan, Luxembourg, PBF, Republic of Korea, Switzerland, UN CERF, USA and private donors.

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# WHO

## World Health Organization



WHO is the directing and coordinating authority for health within the UN system.

It is responsible for providing leadership on global health matters, shaping the health research agenda, setting norms and standards, articulating evidence-based policy options, providing technical support to countries and monitoring and assessing health trends.

Since 1953, when the first WHO office was established in Yemen, WHO has been supporting the work of the Ministry of Public Health and Population in Yemen in health systems development, health protection and promotion efforts, the development of interventions for emerging public health priorities, and in prevention and control of communicable and non-communicable diseases. WHO has also supported the efforts of the Ministry

to improve maternal and child health. Measles deaths among children under five have dramatically decreased from thousands of deaths to just a few cases each year.

Since 2005, WHO has also supported the Ministry in introducing three new important vaccines – Haemophilus influenza, pneumococcal and rota. These vaccines protect against diseases which are responsible for around 20% of mortality among children under five.

In Yemen, the Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI) has been extended to cover the whole country with coverage rates for pentavalent and polio vaccines now exceeding 88%. With WHO and other partners support, Yemen has also witnessed the eradication of smallpox and chikungunya, and has retained its polio-free status since 2006.

WHO has 61 staff in Yemen, based in Sana'a, Aden, Al Hudaydah, Hajjah, Sa'ada and Taiz.

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**Main donors:** CERF, EKN, EU, France, GIZ/KfW, Italy, Japan, KSA, LAS, OCHA, Spain, Sweden, UAE, and USAID

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***“Yemen faces profound challenges. The United Nations will continue to support you in overcoming these challenges and ushering in a more peaceful era for all the people of Yemen”***

*Mr Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General*