

Factsheet: Summer 2015

PEACEBUILDING



Rejecting Violence in the Name of Religion

United against Violence Lebanon

In May 2015, KAICIID convened in Beirut a follow-up meeting of the November 2014 Conference "United against Violence in the Name of Religion," which called upon religious institutions and governments to actively work together to counter the narrative of terrorism.

Islamic and Christian religious leaders from Egypt, Jordan, Iraq, and Lebanon, and representatives from the Yazidi community in Iraq, met this time to revisit the conference recommendations, and to show how they are implemented in concrete projects.

KAICIID-supported programs for social cohesion and education related to religious and cultural diversity in Iraq and Syria were discussed. KAICIID's cooperation with international and regional institutions like UNDP, UNESCO, and the UN Office for the Prevention of Genocide were also presented. Participating religious leaders also proposed special projects to encourage knowledge-sharing and cooperation in the promotion of dialogue understanding, and mutual collaboration on the basis of global citizenship.

Involving Youth and Women Conflict Resolution in Conflict Resolution Nigeria



- 150 Christian and Muslim women, Monsignor Nzapalainga, the With the United Nations Office on gerian general elections.
- Organized at the request of Arch- onciliation. bishop of Abuja John Onaiyekan and • KAICIID supports the Platform of interreligious education and engag-Alhaji Idris Musa, Sarkin Jiwa
- Resolution.

Central African Republic



- and 150 Christian and Muslim youth Archbishop of Bangui, and Imam Ou- Genocide Prevention, KAICIID orgatrained at the KAICIID workshop on mar Kobine Layama, the President of nized a religious leaders' forum that using dialogue to prevent conflict the Islamic Community of the Central issued an "Action Plan to Prevent Induring and leading up to the 2015 Ni- African Republic work with us to con- citement to Atrocity Crimes." tribute to conflict resolution and rec- • The Action Plan prioritizes coun-
- Religions hosting a multi-religious ing political leaders. At five regional • KAICIID is planning future activ- radio station, coursework and work- meetings over the coming year, the ities in Nigeria in cooperation with shops. The radio broadcasts counter- Action Plan will be refined and adthe Center for Peace and Conflict act hate speech and promote cooper- opted at a religious leaders' summit ation and respect.

Preventing Atrocity Crimes Morocco



- tering hate speech, strengthening in 2016.

GLOBAL KNOWLEDGE









Empowering Future Religious Peacemakers

KAICIID International Fellows Programme (KIFP)

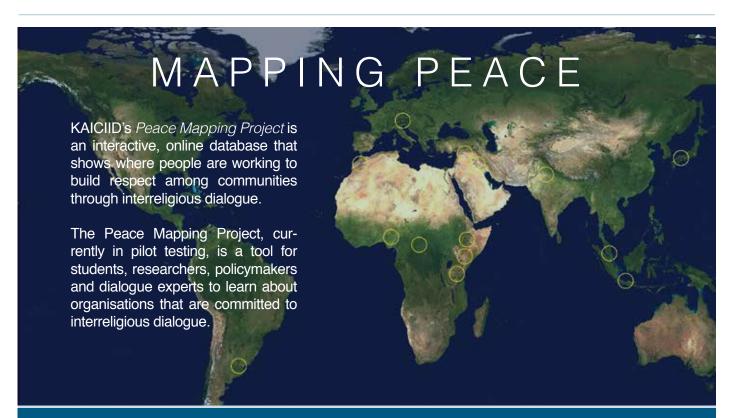
KAICIID offers future religious leaders the interreligious dialogue skills they need to become active peacemakers. Through its Fellows Programme, now in its second year, KAICIID trains mid-career Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Muslim and Jewish teachers from religious education institutions around the world. Over the course of one year, combining in-person and online training, they acquire the tools they need to prepare their own students to become leaders in interreligious dialogue. The Fellowship Programme also creates a global community of interreligious dialogue peacemakers and peacebuilders.

In its first year, Fellows from seventeen countries were trained in dialogue, mediation and peacebuilding. Cur-

rently, KAICIID Fellows 2015 are implementing projects and courses at their respective institutions and communities. Their graduation is scheduled for December 2015, when they will also welcome the new cohort of Fellows.

A three-month training programme for youth in Myanmar, which comprises visits to religious places of worship; a training project among women and youth leaders from faith -based organisations in Nigeria; fellowship programmes in Sri Lanka and India; and a book co-authored by two Fellows, a Hindu and a Muslim, that relates their experience in the programme, are some of the projects currently being implemented.

The applications to take part in the 2016 KIFP are now open to education professionals working in institutions that train future religious leaders. For more information, please visit www.kaiciid.org.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Dialogue between Muslims and Christians – Greece: Sept. 2015 Countering Online Hate Speech – Jordan: Sept. 2015 Right Start Foundation Training – Morocco: Sept. 2015 Club of Madrid: Countering Extremism – Spain: Oct. 2015

