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Live Lebanon engagement facility

Concept Note

1- Background

The Live Lebanon Engagement Facility will enable UNDP to rapidly provide innovative solutions to pressing problems focusing on reducing poverty and helping vulnerable communities especially during the time of crisis. The response is framed around two objectives: Providing alternative finance modalities and making an impact in a smart and efficient manner where it is mostly needed.

The engagement facility will create an ecosystem of partners to launch a crowdfunding academy to provide capacity building to CSOs/NGOs and funding through Tadamon project. A call for proposal will be launched during the first quarter of 2021 to select between 15-24 projects.

The facility will explore alternative finance modality and technologies such as blockchain to pilot impact investment projects.

The engagement facility will also work closely with different portfolios and projects within UNDP and will secure partnerships with the private sector.

The engagement facility will also tap into diaspora's engagement, outreach and funding with the support of the Goodwill Ambassadors who have been helping Live Lebanon with the outreach and the funding of community-based projects since its launch.

2- Planned initiatives

The activities are summarized as follows:

Initiative	Amount	Proposed activities	Funding resource
Facilitation of the creation of the crowdfunding academy	USD 25,000	Main partner to build an ecosystem of stakeholders to establish the crowdfunding academy and provide capacity building to CSOs and NGOs	IRH
Facilitation of the call for proposal	USD 140,000	The engagement facility with the support of the CFA will launch a call for proposal for NGOs and CSOs and will	ISDB

		provide them grants through ISDB	
Facilitation of the implementation of an impact investment project	USD 15,000	The engagement facility with the support of CEDRO will facilitate the implement of the first impact investment project using solar PVs.	GWAs

3- Resources and timeframe

Resources will be mobilized through existing Live Lebanon budget, Istanbul Regional Hub, Islamic Development Bank and Goodwill Ambassadors for a timeframe of 12 months (no later than 31 December 2021).

The total amount is 265,000 USD

IRH contribution for the project manager (85K USD) - IRH contribution for the CFA (25K USD)

ISDB grants (140K USD)

GWAs contribution 15K USD

4- Partners:

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