



# Euro-Med Rights Network's WG Methodology

An introduction (EuroMed Rights  
Concept Paper and guidelines on the  
WGs)

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Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network



# **Euromed Rights' Mission**

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**The mission** of EuroMed Rights is to promote and strengthen human rights in the Euro-Mediterranean region

The Network seeks to develop and strengthen partnerships between NGOs in the Euro-Med region and disseminate the values of human rights and generating capacity in this regard.



# Context

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Regional : Euro-Mediterranean region (EU, ENP, UfM etc)

EU-SMP cooperation offers:

- platforms to promote a human rights agenda
- opportunities for civil society to meet and forge alliances





# Working / Action / Solidarity Groups

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EuroMed Rights working groups can be ad hoc or permanent groups. For the time being, the following Working Groups exist:

- Migration and Asylum
- Justice
- Gender equality and Women's Rights
- Palestine, Israel & Palestinians



# Working / Action / Solidarity Groups

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As well as:

Syria Solidarity Group (SAG)

Egypt Solidarity Group (ESG)

In addition to EU-Tunisia WGs on women's rights, migration, eco-soc, and justice.



# **Purpose of the WGs**

- ❑ to link members to the Network and to ensure a bottom-up approach**
- ❑ to create space for regional civil society cooperation**
- ❑ to advance the work of EuroMed Rights in key thematic areas**



# **WG: space for regional civil society cooperation**

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- Place for exchange of views, experiences and opinions**
- joint work (advocacy, campaigns etc)**
- meeting twice a year**



# **WG: advance thematic work**

- becoming pools of expertise**
- capitalise and diffuse the knowledge and information to the wider Network and CS (also through the office in Brussels)**





# What WGs do

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**outcome:**

**Add value to the work of members, devise policies, advice the Exe Com and ensure the effective delivery of mandate and agenda of EuroMed Rights**

**engaging in networking/capacity building, monitoring, information and documentation, advocacy, and solidarity**



# What WGs do

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**process:**

**contribute to active networking including inter-active exchanges and learning as well as capacity building of individual members and member organisations of the WG as well as of the WG itself**



# **How do the WG work**

**Concerns/capacities of members**

**Added value of EuroMed Rights (i.e. EU human rights mechanisms, being a North-South CS actor, being a network)**

**EuroMed Rights**



# **How do the WG work**

- ToR / mandate paper**
- Strategy and work plan**
- Gender mainstreaming**
- Synergies with other WGs**
- Fundraising**



# Internal functioning of WGs

(see also the Guidelines for the Functioning of the WGs)

- **WG members**
- **WG political referents**
- **WG program officer (PO)**



# **WG members**

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**engage in discussions and actions by the WG**

**attend meetings and events by WG**

**provide regular information to the WG on situation in their country regarding the thematic of the WG**

**report regularly to their own organisation about the activities and results of the WG**

**act as referent within their own organisation re the WG thematic**

**communicate regularly with POs and members of the WG**

**coordinate with the members of the WG from the same country**



# **WG political referent**

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**is appointed by the Exe Com and ensures that the decisions from the Exe Com and those of the WG are communicated to both parties**

**attends the WG meetings**

**gives political input re the WGs field of activity**

**ensures that the WGs actions remains within its mandate and in line with EuroMed Rights strategy and values**



# **WG PO**

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**is employed by EuroMed Rights  
organises meetings and facilitates the delivery  
of the agenda of the WG**

**Acts as a resource person for the WG**

**takes part in fundraising efforts**

**keeps the contact with the member  
organisations alive and facilitates regular  
communication with WG members**

**contacts and liaises with external partners**





# **Monitoring and Evaluation**

**Each WG meeting and seminar are evaluated through written or oral evaluation**

**On a yearly basis, the WG members evaluate achievements and the work process**

**At the end of each mandate (3 years) the WG evaluates the mandate and gives recommendation to the new WG**

