



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

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

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

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

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

- 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

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

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

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

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

**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

