



CARPO
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Rethinking Yemen's Economy

Towards a Sustainable Future

I. Project Overview

The Rethinking Yemen's Economy initiative aims to contribute to peacebuilding and conflict prevention, (economic) stabilization and sustainable development in Yemen by building consensus in crucial policy areas through engaging and promoting informed Yemeni voices from all backgrounds in the public discourse on development, economy and post-conflict reconstruction in Yemen and by positively influencing local, regional and international development agendas. The project is implemented by CARPO – Center for Applied Research in Partnership with the Orient, DeepRoot Consulting and the Sana'a Center for Strategic Studies. It is funded by the European Union and the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Yemen.

II. Streams of Engagement

1. **Development Champions Forums:** Several forums will convene senior Yemeni experts and professionals from various backgrounds and with established expertise in development and economy. The Development Champions will discuss priorities for intervention and issue respective recommendations.
2. **Ad Hoc-Workshops:** These workshops will bring together selected Development Champions (experts on the issue at hand) with other experts and Yemeni policy-makers to discuss urgent issues identified by the Champions and develop respective recommendations.
3. **Local Engagement Workshops:** These workshops will bring together local actors and authorities (at the governorate level) with local practitioners and experts and will also connect them with the Development Champions. The workshop participants will discuss national issues and how to apply to them a local lens and/or thematic issues relevant to the local level.
4. **Regional and International Stakeholder engagement:** The project will reach out to regional and international stakeholders currently engaged in Yemen in order to ensure that they are informed about the outcomes of this initiative in the hope for more concerted efforts by the international community.
5. **Policy Briefs:** The results of streams 1-3 will be published in the form of policy briefs, bolstered by research and analysis of Yemeni researchers with experience in those development issues. The research and policy team will liaise closely with the Development Champions to ensure their expertise is included.
6. **Public Outreach:** The outputs will be made accessible to the public through social media (Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DevChampionsYE/>; Twitter: @DevChampionsYe) and the project website (devchampions.org). Also, short movies and infographics on the policy recommendations and research results published within this project will be produced.

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