

# Implementation Memorandum

## Drawing Rights on Program Budgets

**Dutch contribution less than € 25.000**

[The policy frame work of the central budgets which is part of the HBBZ is the public BEMO \(ODA\)](#)

### **I REQUESTED DECISION CONCERNS**

<b>Program Fund</b>	Human Rights Fund ODA
<b>Application number</b>	4000004246
<b>Funds centre</b>	0501U020400**
<b>Short name application</b>	Together We Achieve Societal Coexistence
<b>Long name application</b>	Together We Achieve Societal Coexistence
<b>Description application</b>	Manar Abdul-Amir Shenawa is the winner of the 2019 HR Tulip award. With the award money, she will implement the project <i>Together We Achieve Societal Coexistence</i> that focuses on Al-Zuhur Village, located in the outskirts of the Diwaniyah governorate. The village houses around 100 Roma families with poor living conditions who face social, economic and cultural discrimination.
<b>Budget holder</b>	BAG
<b>Name individual activity</b>	Human Rights Tulip Award project 2019: Together We Achieve Societal Coexistence
<b>Amount in foreign currency</b>	USD 11.236
<b><a href="#">Corporate rate</a></b>	0,89
<b>Amount in euro</b>	EUR 10,000
<b>Start date</b>	15 September 2020
<b>End date</b>	15 December 2020
<b>Number business partner</b>	30076411
<b><a href="#">Legal relationship</a></b>	Contribution
<b>Name policy framework</b>	Human Rights ODA
<b>Responsible policy officer</b>	Betoul Ameen
<b>Correspondence language</b>	English

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<b>For ODA activities only</b>			
Explanation of the policy data can be found in the de <a href="#">ODA Policy Data Guide</a> .			
For the <b>highlighted</b> subjects in table below the de <a href="#">ODA Policy Data Guide</a> gives further explanation.			
<b><u>Aid modality</u></b>	Other program aid		
<b><u>Donor role</u></b>	Single donor		
<b><u>Technical assistance</u></b>	TA=0      0% of the activity budget		
<b><u>Beneficiary's country/region</u></b>	Iraq		
<b>Countries within the region (if applicable)</b>	NA		
<b><u>Allocation country information</u></b>	100% Iraq		
<b>Location within the country (be as specific as possible)</b>	<b>Village</b>	<b>Name location(s):</b>	Diwaniya
<b><u>CRS Code</u></b>	15160		
<b><u>Policy marker 'principal' (no minimum or maximum amount)</u></b>	MnsRcht (Human Rights) PD/GG		
<b><u>Policy marker 'significant' (no minimum or maximum amount)</u></b>	GlkhMV (Equal rights man and women and empowerment of women) RchtKnd (rights of the child)		
<b><u>Special pledges made by the Minister or State Secretary / and/ or special marks regarding sensitive information</u></b>	NA		

## **II RESULTS ACTIVITY**

*Briefly describe:*

- *The expected results of the activity and how these tie in with the objectives of the program fund.*
- *How the performance can be assessed.*

The Embassy selected Manar Abdul-Amir Shenawa for the 2019 Human Rights Tulip award, which consists of a EUR 10,000 award that is given to fund a project of the winner's choice. After thorough discussions with the Embassy team, Manar decided to focus on the gypsy families who live in the outskirts of her city. She has been studying the gypsy community for some time and has established a good working relationship with them.

Hundreds of gypsy families suffer from discrimination in Iraq post 2003 war. Gypsies are not accepted by local communities and by the Iraqi government. *Together We Achieve Societal Coexistence* project aims to reintegrate the gypsy community within the local communities. This project focuses on Al-Zuhur village, which is located 20km southeast of Diwaniyah that houses around 100 gypsy families. The families in Al-Zuhur village live in mud houses and suffer from lack of electricity, water and health supplies. In addition, they have no educational facilities and are deprived from the right to work, which forced many to beg in order to make a living and women fell victims to the sex trade.

The project tackles these issues by organising several workshops for both, the gypsy and the local community, to participate in together in order to raise social awareness. The workshops focus on developing life skills to restore self-confidence especially for girls and women. They will learn an art and crafts skill that will contribute in having a skill that could make them a living. In addition, a sports and educational festival will be established for the children in both communities as well as an event that presents the handicrafts created by the women and girls during the workshops. Moreover, a dialogue session will be opened to discuss how the local community can reintegrate the gypsy community. Thus, this will improve the interaction of both communities and will allow youth gypsies to seek employment opportunities. The programme can be assessed through the participation of both communities in the training workshops and the establishment of a community forum.

The most important factor of this project is to bring the two communities together so there is more acceptance and understanding between them.

## **III PROGRAM CRITERIA**

*Assess whether the activity complies with the program criteria mentioned in the policy instruction of the program fund and explain how.*

The activity fits well within the Human Rights objectives as it covers two of the budgets priorities: women and minority groups. Additionally, the money is an award from the Human Rights Tulip programme.

## **VI REPORTING REQUIREMENTS (basically not required)**

- *No reports are required when the risks are acceptable. The activity may be selected for the VIC. The administrative officer/ RSO will decide on this in consultation with the policy officer.*
- *When risks have been established in the risk analysis the organisation is required to submit information in support of performance assessment. This can be a report or other means of evidence. The contribution must be paid in 2 instalments (80% - 20%).*

The risks are low for this project so we do not require reporting.

## **VII FINANCING**

Implementing organisation's and partners' own contribution	N.A.
Dutch contribution *1)	EUR 10,000
Total	EUR 10,000

\*1) The prize money for the 2019 Human Rights Tulip award is in total EUR 10.000. The underlying budget is realistic.

## **VIII PAYMENT (basically 100%)**

Due to the low risk level the payment will 100% upon signing contract.

The organisation has an USD bank account so the equivalent to EUR 10.000 namely USD 11.236 will be transferred to their bank account. This amount will also be mentioned in the contribution agreement.