# **EDU-SYRIA- Scholarships for Syrians and disadvantaged Jordanians**

#### 1. Context:

EDU-SYRIA is a framework to help Syrian refugees in Jordan and vulnerable Jordanians from the refugees host communities to get access to higher education through a set of scholarship programs.

EDU-SYRIA supports the "No Lost Generation" strategy, which aims to provide those affected by the conflict with the chance to shape a more stable and secure future.

The project consists of two phases: EDU-SYRIA I and EDU-SYRIA II, which gives the students the opportunity to pursue an academic or professional educational degree.

Both projects are managed by German Jordanian University (GJU) under the name of GJU president Prof. Manar Fayyad as project director and Dr. Dhiah el Diehn Abou-Tair as project manager.

EDU-SYRIA provides Syrian refugees with advanced training and education, which will contribute to the future efforts of rebuilding the Syrian economy. The European Union provided EDU-SYRIA with an initial fund of Euro 4 Million for the first phase and the EU Regional Trust Fund 'Madad' provided a fund of Euro 11 Million for the second phase.

# 2. Objectives:

- The overall objective is to provide higher education to Syrian refugee students affected by the crisis currently living in Jordan, and to vulnerable Jordanian students from the host communities.
- The target is to enrol 1390 students in different degrees distributed as follows:
  - o 600 Syrian refugees' in various bachelor programs.
  - 480 students (360 Syrian, 120 Jordanian) in various vocational degree programs towards a BTEC Level 5 Diploma.
  - o 310 students (10 Syrian, 300 Jordanian) in various master degree programs.

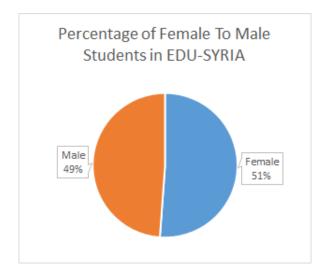
# 3. Results:

- EDU-SYRIA enrolled 1289 out of 1390 students in various academic and vocational degree programs as follows:
  - 574 Syrian refugees' students in different bachelor degree programs out of 600 students.
  - 448 students (325 Syrian, 123 Jordanian) out of 480 students in various vocational degree programs towards a BTEC Level 5 Diploma.
  - 267 Jordanian students in various master degree programs out of 310 students.
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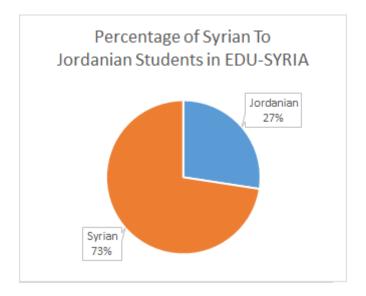
- o Bachelor Bridge Program
  - 600 Syrian students
- o BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Program
  - 360 Syrian students and 120 Jordanian students
- o Master Studies Program
  - 10 Syrian and 300 Jordanian students
- EDU-SYRIA I targets is to provide 390 scholarships as follows:
  - Bachelor Bridge Program
    - 200 Syrian students at Zarqa University. Enrolled 214 students.
  - o BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Program
    - 60 Syrian students and 20 Jordanian students at Al Quds College. Enrolled 87 students.
  - Master Studies Program
    - 90 Jordanian students at Yarmouk University. Enrolled 97 students.
    - 10 Syrian and 10 Jordanian students at German Jordanian University. Enrolled
      22 students.
- EDU-SYRIA II target is to provide 1000 scholarships as follows:
  - o Bachelor Bridge Program
    - 400 Syrian students at Zarqa University. Enrolled 445 students.
  - o BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Program
    - 300 Syrian students and 100 Jordanian students at Al Quds College. Enrolled 420 students.
  - Master Studies Program
    - 150 Jordanian students at Jordan University of Science and Technology.
      Enrolled 109 students.
    - 50 Jordanian students at German Jordanian University. Enrolled 32 students.

#### 4. Facts and Figures:

- EDU-SYRIA has now 47 graduates.
- The percentage of Female to male students in EDU-SYRIA is shown in the figure below



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# 5. Story:

"Before getting this scholarship, I was working here and there in order to sustain myself and my family, but I couldn't imagine a bright future," said Hamza Alzoubi, who is currently pursuing a pharmacy degree through the scholarships programme.

"The future is still unclear, but I always knew that it is very important to be educated," the student added, expressing hopes to pursue a master's after the bachelor's degree in order to "keep on living the dream".

Syrian refugee Hamed Alriyabi is also looking forward to starting a master's degree once he finishes his bachelor's in medical analysis at Zarqa University next year, a program in which the student enrolled through the EDU-SYRIA initiative.

- 6. Sector(s) of Intervention: Education / Refugees
- 7. Location(s): Jordan
- **8.** Implementing Partner(s): German Jordanian University + Jordan University of Science and Technology + Yarmouk University + Zarqa University + Al-Quds College
- 9. Duration: December 2015 December 2019
- 10. EU Contribution to the Project: 15,000,000 EUR (100% of total)
- 11. Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees in Jordan and vulnerable Jordanians from refugees host communities.
- 12. Website: edu-syria.eu
- 13. Social Media platform(s): <a href="mailto:facebook.com/EDUSYRIA">facebook.com/EDUSYRIA</a>, <a href="mailto:twitter.com/edu\_syria">twitter.com/edu\_syria</a>
- 14. Link(s) to HD video(s): <a href="https://edu-syria.eu/HDVideo">https://edu-syria.eu/HDVideo</a>

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