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The EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis

الصندوق الاستئماني الأوروبي 'مدد'

## Project Factsheet

# QUDRA

Resilience for Syrian refugees, internally displaced persons and local communities in response to the Syrian and Iraqi crises

### OBJECTIVES

Strengthen the resilience of local communities, refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) by:

- Improving school facilities;
- Increasing social stability and dialogue between refugees and local communities; and
- Supporting state and local administration to provide better support to local communities, refugees and IDPs.

### BUDGET

EUR 74.6 million

### START DATE

15/06/2016

### DURATION

38.5 months

### EXPECTED RESULTS

- Improve school conditions for local communities and Syrian refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, and Turkey.
- Increase access to skills training and educational opportunities for local communities and Syrian refugees in Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey, particularly youth and women.
- Deliver state administration and other local organisations to IDPs, refugees and local populations in the Iraqi Kurdistan Region and in Jordan, as well as protection services for vulnerable Lebanese and refugees in Lebanon.
- Uptake of the project by the governments of the Iraqi Kurdistan Region, Lebanon, Jordan, and Turkey to share policies shaping a better future for refugee and local communities.

### BENEFICIARIES

**1,405,824**

citizens of Iraq,  
Jordan, Lebanon,  
Syria and Turkey

### IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS



## PROJECT LOCATIONS



## IMPACT



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Due to the Syrian conflict and the fight against Daesh, many civilians fled to and sought refuge in Kurdistan Region of Iraq.

Since October 2017, whilst many displaced people returned home, 2.3 million others are still displaced in Iraq and more than 250,000 Syrian refugees remain in Kurdistan.

Mamand H. Ahmad fought with the Kurdish forces (Peshmerga) in Iraqi Kurdistan. In early January 2015, he was severely wounded during a fight and is now disabled.

*“since then I would stay at home, bored. Which caused me psychological problems,”* says Mamand. *“I was ruminating a lot. The days were endless, as I had nothing to do.”*

Mamand opened a grocery shop with supplies, thanks to the EU Trust Fund.

*“Now, despite the pain, I work at the shop every day. It helps relieve some of my pain,”* adds Mamand. *“When I come back home, I sleep two more hours than I previously did. All of this because they gave me this work.”*

*“After I started working at the shop, I interacted with people again. I have a normal life again. I talk to people now. Now, my children are happy when I come home. My life has changed. It has improved with this shop.”*

Through the Qudra project, he is now able to provide for his family again. *“I, myself, have had support,”* Ahmad says. *“But there are thousands of cases like mine. These people also deserve assistance.”*

In Iraq alone, Qudra helps 50,000 people like Mamand become more resilient and secure a better future.



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