



Workshop: "Yalla, Yalla II" - Politics and Culture on the Development of Potential of Young Politicians in Egypt and Germany

Time span: 15th – 26th September 2013 in Cairo

The project is funded by the German Federal Foreign Office and it is a project as part of the German-Egyptian transformation partnership

Institution / Objective:

The main objective of the newly founded GOVERNANCE CENTER Middle East | North Africa in June 2012, will be to attentively follow the process of profound change in North Africa and the Middle East. It sees itself as a part of German (and EU) efforts to contribute to freedom, security and economic development in North Africa and the Middle East.

Goals

A joint Egyptian-German Workshop on political communication, on the culture of the development of potential, a systematic understanding and a dialogue on the political situation in Germany and Egypt brings up new and fresh input for participants of both countries while promoting their cultural sensitivity and competence and help each other understand their specific challenges comprehensively to discuss actual situations and find potential solutions to achieve them.

Methology – politics and culture on the development of potential

The explanatory models of the "Four Quadrant" and "Spiral Dynamics" form the basis for the workshop in Cairo. The models help to better understand social processes and also to assist with the effective development of the projects of the participants in reality.

The four-quadrant model

In the new integral culture of understanding, the philosopher Ken Wilber developed the *four-quadrant model* which describes four areas of reality and experience. The basic distinctions are interior / exterior and individual / collective. The differentiation and integration of these four areas form the four quadrants:

Interior / individual (intentional); exterior / individual (moderate behavior); interior / collective (cultural) and exterior / collective (social / system).

Spiral Dynamics

Spiral Dynamics is a model of performance which is attributed to the developmental psychologist *Clare Graves*. It distinguishes different stages of development in cultures and individuals, such as traditional values (mythical, absolutist), modern values (scientific / rational), postmodern values (pluralistic / egalitarian) and integral values (systemic / bigger picture).

The workshop process consists essentially on target-oriented project work, based on the models of explanation in association with tools.

After and while learning the methods, the participants will apply them directly to their specific challenges and issues of socio-political environment in Germany and Egypt. The selected practices are chosen according to the interest and enthusiasm of the participants.

The workshop will be accompanied by a cultural and political program in Cairo.

Workshops – when and where?

The workshop will take place in Cairo from **Sunday, 15/09/2013 till Thursday, 26/09/2013** (6 days of workshop, 2 days intervention at the organizations, plus arrival and departure).

Language

The workshop will be translated simultaneously in German and Arabic. English knowledge is therefore not necessary but would be preferred.

Participants / Target group

Our target group are young adults from a socio-political environment, who may be members of political parties or politically involved and / or the fellow of a political foundation at the age of 18 and 26 years.

The maximum number of participants is 20, where there should be 10 participants from Egypt and 10 from Germany.

Criteria / Application documents

CV with details on your language skills

Letter of motivation (½ page)

Questionnaire (see attachment)

Cancellation/ Postponement

The organiser reserves the right to cancel or postpone the training if circumstances require.

Travel and Accommodation costs

All costs will be covered by the Governance Center Middle East / North Africa, this includes all travel costs, accommodation, catering and insurance.

How to submit an application?

Complete application forms (CV with details on language skills, letter of motivation and questionnaire) should be sent to: susann.heida@humboldt-viadrina.org in German, Arabic or English. Please note, only complete applications will be considered.

Application submission deadline:

Deadline for application submission is **Sunday, 26th May 2013 (until 23:59 p.m.)**. Applications that are submitted after the 26/05/2013 will **not** be considered.

We look forward to your application!

For further information, please contact:

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