

Who are we?

The Jordan INGO Forum (JIF) is a network of 58 international non-governmental organizations (INGOs) implementing development and humanitarian programs to respond to the needs of vulnerable Jordanians, Syrian, Palestine and Iraqi refugees. JIF members work closely with the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation and line ministries, as well as with other actors such as the UN, national NGOs and donors, to plan, coordinate and monitor activities.

Formalized in 2014, JIF is a forum where all members have an equal voice in decision-making. Any international organization registered as a not-for-profit NGO with the Government of Jordan, that has an operational focus on Jordan, provides humanitarian or development assistance may apply to join. A five-member Steering Committee elected on a 6-monthly basis represents JIF externally and oversees its activities. A Coordinator provides strategic and logistical support to further JIF objectives. The JIF is administratively hosted by the Norwegian Refugee Council and funded by the Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection Department of the European Commission (ECHO), DFID, and the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency. 



JIF's priorities

The JIF exists primarily to serve the needs of its members, to enable them to help people in need and improve the lives of vulnerable populations in Jordan. The JIF does this through:

- **Information Sharing / Communication:** To ensure that there is effective and transparent sharing of information relevant to both JIF members and external stakeholders;
- **Coordination:** To coordinate INGO exchange, learning and resource-sharing through meetings, Working Groups and through relationships with external stakeholders;
- **Policy / Advocacy:** To represent the interests of JIF members in external meetings, policy discussions, advocacy meetings and documents, as well as to lobby on issues of common interest as indicated by its members and specifically related to protection of the humanitarian and operational space;
- **Representation:** To consistently represent the interests of JIF members with donors, UN agencies, the Government of Jordan and other external stakeholders.

Scope of JIF's work

In 2016, JIF members programmed over (US\$ 326 million) throughout the twelve governorates of the Kingdom. JIF organizations employ over 4,400 Jordanian staff in addition to 755 expatriate staff. Eighty-six percent (86%) of JIF member staff are Jordanian.

Represented in 8 out of the 12 JRP Task Forces.

JIF members co-chair the IA coordination meetings in Irbid and Mafraq.

JIF members co-chair protection, shelter, wash, basic needs, education, livelihoods sectors.