



**Memorandum of Understanding on social cooperation  
between  
the Municipality of Sahab, Jordan  
and  
the Department of Presidential Affairs of the Canton of Basel-Stadt,  
Switzerland  
for the years 2023 to 2026**

Based on mutual interest to alleviate the current refugee crisis in Sahab, the Canton of Basel-Stadt and the Municipality of Sahab (hereinafter referred to as "the cities") initiate a social cooperation from 2023 to 2026. By implementing appropriate measures in neighbourhoods of Sahab with a high ratio of refugees, the purpose of the social cooperation is to improve the living conditions of vulnerable communities in Sahab. The common activities are oriented towards the concrete needs of Sahab and are intended to contribute to the optimization of already existing concepts and projects. The Canton of Basel-Stadt will provide a financial grant and technical expertise for the implementation of the projects.

The cities thus intend, in accordance with the principles of equality and voluntariness, to conclude a social cooperation for the years 2023 to 2026 with the following contents:

1. Joint projects will be developed and implemented to improve waste collection, recycling and sensitisation of the population in the municipality of Sahab.
2. Joint projects will be developed and implemented to design and manage urban green spaces in the municipality of Sahab.
3. Joint projects will be developed and implemented to promote energy efficiency and the use of grey water in the municipality of Sahab.
4. Joint projects will be developed and implemented to improve social cohesion of locals and refugees as well as food security in the context of urban gardening.
5. Joint progress monitoring and overall evaluation of the social cooperation will be implemented between 2023 and 2026.
6. The present Memorandum of Understanding is not legally binding. The implementation of projects is dependent on the financial and human resources available for this purpose.
7. This Memorandum of Understanding consists of two original copies in English. This Memorandum of Understanding shall be signed in Basel and shall enter into force on the date of signature.

Basel, August 24, 2023

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Sahab

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