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1. Message from the CEO:

As we reflect on 2022, DOZ continues to stand firm in its mission to serve the most vulnerable populations in conflict-affected regions, despite the significant challenges posed by the ongoing crisis in Syria. This year has been one of resilience, innovation, and collaboration as we adapted to shifting needs and evolving circumstances. We have seen firsthand how communities in Syria continue to persevere and rebuild, and we remain steadfast in our commitment to supporting these efforts.

Throughout the year, our teams on the ground worked tirelessly to provide essential services, protect vulnerable populations, and create opportunities for community empowerment. Our projects reached over 20,000 individuals across Syria, including women, children, youth, IDPs, and marginalized communities. Despite difficult circumstances, including the continued impact of COVID-19, the aftermath of the Syrian conflict, and the emergence of public health crises such as cholera, our work has continued to make a meaningful difference in people's lives.

Looking ahead to 2023, we remain committed to scaling up our efforts and expanding our reach. We will continue focusing on key areas such as vocational training, protection services, peacebuilding, and livelihood support to create lasting positive change. I am incredibly proud of what we have achieved in 2022, and I am optimistic about the future as we move forward with renewed energy and purpose.

2. About Doz NGO Syria:

Vision

DOZ envisions a world where communities are stable, secure, and thriving, where every individual, including refugees, internally displaced persons (IDPs), and marginalized groups, has the opportunity to live with dignity and hope. Our goal is to foster inclusive societies where resilience, prosperity, and social cohesion empower people to build a better future together.

Mission

Our mission is to invest in humanity by delivering sustainable development solutions, providing humanitarian aid, and strengthening local civil society. Through inclusive empowerment, we ensure that no one is left behind, fostering long-term stability and opportunity for all. We are committed to supporting those most affected by conflict and displacement, focusing on vulnerable populations such as women, children, youth, IDPs, and refugees.

Organizational Overview

Doz NGO Syria was founded in Syria in 2011 by a group of university students in response to the growing humanitarian crisis caused by conflict and displacement. What started as a community-led initiative has evolved into a professional, multi-sectoral organization that operates across Syria focusing on protection, livelihoods, social cohesion, and humanitarian response.

Some of Doz Syria activists who left Syria to Germany, established DOZ e.V. Germany as a diaspora Syrian-led NGO registered since 2014 to support Doz NGO Syria and other local partners in Syria



therefore Doz NGO Syria with support from DOZ e.V. Germany maintained sustainability, effectiveness, and transparency and therefore, Doz NGO Syria adheres to international standards of financial transparency and accountability, ensuring that funds are used effectively to meet the needs of the most vulnerable populations. That is why Doz NGO Syria as a local NGO was greatly supported by DOZ e.V. Germany over years since 2014 and this helped us develop our NGO in Syria greatly in terms of reach, access, and sustainability.

Our work is guided by the principles of inclusivity, sustainability, and human dignity. In 2022, we continued to work with trusted international partners and donors, and our dedicated staff and volunteers on the ground have been instrumental in achieving our shared goals.

Work Sectors:

1. Protection:

DOZ's protection programs safeguard vulnerable groups, particularly children, women, and persons with disabilities, from violence, abuse, and exploitation. We provide safe spaces, case management, and community-based protection mechanisms that empower communities to protect themselves.

2. Livelihoods & Food Security:

Through vocational training, microfinance, and market integration, DOZ helps vulnerable populations achieve economic self-reliance. We work with smallholder farmers, livestock owners, and women and youth to enhance food security and promote sustainable livelihoods.

3. Health:

DOZ provides essential healthcare services, with a strong focus on mental health and psychosocial support. Our health programs address both immediate and long-term health needs, with a particular emphasis on maternal and child health in crisis-affected areas.

4. Peacebuilding and Social Cohesion:

DOZ's peacebuilding initiatives foster community dialogue, promote interfaith harmony, and combat violent extremism through youth and women-led initiatives. We believe in the power of local communities to drive sustainable peace and democratic governance.

5. Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH):

DOZ ensures access to clean water and sanitation services through infrastructure development and hygiene promotion, particularly in areas affected by displacement.

3. Highlights of 2022

- Vocational Training in Raqqa:** DOZ successfully launched three vocational training centers in 2022, benefiting over 500 youth. These centers provided training in various skills, including electrical wiring, hairdressing, and mobile phone maintenance. The training sessions also offered participants the opportunity to receive small grants to start their own businesses, fostering self-reliance and economic empowerment.



- **Livestock Support in Hasaka:** The "Urgent Support for Livestock Owners and Farmers" project in rural Hasaka successfully vaccinated over 2,000 livestock, improving both animal health and local farming practices. Additionally, artificial insemination was utilized to enhance livestock reproduction rates, contributing to long-term agricultural sustainability.
- **Protection Services in Raqqa:** The Darna Al-Aman project provided protection and empowerment services to 8,932 individuals, including safe spaces for women and children, case management services, and psychosocial support. The project also raised awareness about rights and protection issues through community outreach and radio campaigns.
- **Accountability and Community Engagement:** The Boosting Accountability to Children and Communities project increased community participation in decision-making processes. DOZ conducted focus group discussions, distributed information about feedback channels, and conducted staff workshops to improve transparency and accountability.

Significant Milestones

- **Expansion of Livelihood Programs:** The vocational training programs in Raqqa were expanded in 2022, providing essential skills and resources to vulnerable youth and contributing to local economic recovery.
- **Strengthened PSEA Measures:** The Protection Against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) project reached significant milestones in 2022, including the provision of training to staff and the establishment of feedback mechanisms for survivors. This helped improve community safety and trust in DOZ's operations.

4. Project Overview

Development of Veterinary Clinics in Rural Raqqa

- **International Partner/Donor:** Creative International
- **Project Period:** January 2022 – February 2022
- **Total Budget:** \$44,965
- **Geographic Coverage:** Raqqa
- **Summary:** This project focused on improving veterinary services in rural Raqqa. DOZ provided specialized training to 50 veterinarians, enhancing their skills in areas such as artificial insemination, echocardiography, and surgeries. The project also supplied veterinary clinics with essential tools and solar panels to ensure continuous power for operations.



- **International Partner/Donor:** Save The Children (SCI) / BMZ
- **Project Period:** January 2022 – August 2024
- **Total Budget:** \$521,195
- **Geographic Coverage:** Raqqa
- **Summary:** Three vocational training centers were established to train youth aged 14-24. The project reached 500 beneficiaries in 2022 and focused on practical skills in professions such as electrical wiring, sewing, and mobile phone maintenance. Participants were also supported with small grants to start their own businesses.

ASITI: Fostering the Role of Internally Displaced Women and Refugees in the Long-Running Conflicts in Syria, the KRI, and the Youth of Jordanian and Catalan Host Communities in Peacebuilding and Consolidation of Democracy and Human Rights in the Middle East

- **International Partner/Donor:** NOVACT / Catalan Agency for Development Cooperation (ACCD)
- **Project Period:** February 2022 – August 2023
- **Total Budget:** \$11,722.91
- **Geographic Coverage:** Qahtaniyya
- **Summary:** This project aimed to empower internally displaced women, refugees, and youth in the Kurdish Region of Iraq (KRI) and Syria. DOZ reopened the **Tirbesipi Center for Civil Society** after a two-year closure, transforming it into a hub for **civic engagement, peacebuilding, and community empowerment**. The center hosted 26 activities in 2022, addressing key issues such as **social cohesion, mental health, human rights, and gender equality**. Key activities included **youth leadership training, peacebuilding initiatives, and health awareness campaigns**, reaching 286 community members and empowering them to engage in local dialogue and peace initiatives.

Promoting Rights and Access to Services for Women and Children in Raqqa

- **International Partner/Donor:** Un Ponte Per (UPP)
- **Project Period:** April 2022 – June 2022
- **Total Budget:** \$25,076
- **Geographic Coverage:** Raqqa
- **Summary:** This project provided safe spaces for women and children, as well as educational and case management services. The project reached 2,200 individuals, including 500 women and girls who participated in emotional, social, and vocational education activities.

Urgent Support for Livestock Owners and Farmers in Rural Hasaka

- **International Partner/Donor:** Expertise France (EF) / Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs



- **Project Period:** June 2022 – November 2022
- **Total Budget:** \$88,259
- **Geographic Coverage:** Al-Hasakah
- **Summary:** The project provided vaccinations, fodder, and artificial insemination services to livestock owners in rural Hasaka. Over 2,000 livestock were protected, and 181 livestock owners received capacity-building training, promoting sustainable farming practices.

Darna Al-Aman – Our Safe House for Women and Children in Raqqa

- **International Partner/Donor:** Un Ponte Per (UPP) / Soka Gakkai (IBISG)
- **Project Period:** July 2022 – December 2022
- **Total Budget:** \$66,980.47
- **Geographic Coverage:** Raqqa
- **Summary:** DOZ provided life-saving protection services, including safe spaces for women and girls and child-friendly spaces. 8,932 beneficiaries received support through case management and psychosocial activities.

Boosting Accountability to Children and Communities

- **International Partner/Donor:** Save The Children (SCI)
- **Project Period:** October 2022 – December 2022
- **Total Budget:** \$9,762.50
- **Geographic Coverage:** Northeast Syria (NES)
- **Summary:** This project focused on enhancing accountability and community participation in Raqqa, Hasaka, and Tirbespi. DOZ conducted focus groups, individual interviews, and distributed educational materials to raise awareness about feedback and complaint mechanisms.

Promoting Rights and Access to Services for Women and Children in Raqqah (North East Syria)

- **International Partner/Donor:** Un Ponte Per (UPP)
- **Project Period:** November 1, 2022 – December 31, 2023
- **Total Budget:** \$11,402.60
- **Geographic Coverage:** Raqqa.
- **Summary:** This project focused on providing critical protection and support services for women and children in Raqqah, Northeast Syria. DOZ established **safe spaces** for women and girls and **child-friendly spaces** to ensure that displaced and vulnerable populations could access essential services in a safe and supportive environment. The project also provided **life-saving case management services** for survivors of **gender-based violence**



(GBV) and child protection (CP) issues. Additionally, safe transportation services were offered to ensure that women and girls could access services without fear of violence. Awareness campaigns on the rights and protection of women, girls, and children were conducted through radio campaigns and individual/group sessions, directly benefiting 8,932 individuals in the region.

Protection Against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA)

- **International Partner/Donor:** Un Ponte Per (UPP) / IOM
- **Project Period:** November 2022 – March 2023
- **Total Budget:** \$25,672.50
- **Geographic Coverage:** Raqqa
- **Summary:** The project strengthened PSEA measures in Raqqa, providing training for staff and raising awareness about reporting mechanisms. 1,660 beneficiaries participated in various activities, and no sexual exploitation and abuse cases were reported.

5. Financial Overview

Income and Expenditure

DOZ continues to prioritize transparency in financial reporting. In 2023, the organization successfully raised funds through various donors, which were efficiently allocated to our core programs.

- **Total Income:** \$801,854.00
- **Total Expenditure:** \$801,854.00
- **Programmatic Costs:** \$681,575.9 (85% of total expenditure)
- **Operational Costs:** \$120,278.1 (15% of total expenditure)

6. Donor Contributions

In 2022, Doz Syria was supported by a diverse group of international donors, including BMZ, Catalan Agency for Development Cooperation (ACCD), Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Italian Buddhist Institute Soka Gakkai (IBISG), International Organization for Migration (IOM). These contributions allowed us to successfully implement the range of projects that directly benefited tens of thousands of individuals.



7. Partnerships and Collaborations

Doz NGO continued to strengthen its collaborations with key international organizations in 2022. Our partners, including DOZ e.V. Germany, Save The Children, Un Ponte Per, and Expertise France, Creative International, NOVACT played a crucial role in ensuring the success of our projects across multiple sectors.

8. Looking Ahead: Plans for 2023

In 2023, Doz NGO Syria plans to further expand its vocational training programs, improve protection services, and scale up our peacebuilding initiatives. We aim to reach even more vulnerable communities, providing them with the tools and resources needed to rebuild their lives and secure a better future.

9. Acknowledgments

We thank all of our donors, partners, staff, and volunteers for their unwavering support in 2022. Without their collaboration, we would not have been able to achieve these remarkable results.