



The Anna Lindh Foundation is an institution shared by the 43 countries of the Union for the Mediterranean, with the mandate to bring people together to promote dialogue between cultures. Since its launch in 2005, the Foundation has led and supported actions impacting on the mutual perceptions and enhancing cooperation among people of different cultures and beliefs, and it has developed a Region-wide Network of over 3500 civil society organisations.

[www.euromedalex.org](http://www.euromedalex.org)



Fondazione Mediterraneo is an international non-profit Organisation of Social Utility (Onlus), which includes specialists and internationally recognised scholars on Mediterranean Affairs. It acts as the Head of Anna Lindh Foundation Italian Network. It is as well a founding member of the non-governmental Euro-Med Platform, a member of the International European Movement, and an observer of the Euro-Med Parliamentary Assembly.

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#### ABOUT THE AWARD

Launched in 2005, the Euro-Med Dialogue Award is an annual prize which recognises the achievements of individuals and organisations which have been at the forefront in promoting cooperation and understanding addressing common challenges in different social, cultural and political fields. The Award is bestowed and voted upon by the member organisations of the Anna Lindh Foundation National Networks.



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# TOGETHER FOR ECOLOGICAL SUSTAINABILITY

# WINNER



**Friends of the Earth Middle East**  
جمعية أصدقاء الأرض الشرق الأوسط  
ידידי כדור הארץ המזרח התיכון



**ECOPEACE - Friends of the Earth Middle East (FoEME)**  
Jordan - Israel - Palestine  
[www.foeme.org](http://www.foeme.org)

**ECOPEACE FoEME** is a unique organisation that brings together Jordanian, Palestinian, and Israeli environmentalists with the aim of protecting shared environmental heritage. It seeks to advance both sustainable development and the necessary conditions for a lasting peace in the region and a fair, equitable and rational use of water resources, in particular for the Palestinian villages. FoEME has offices in Amman, Bethlehem, and Tel-Aviv, and is a member of Friends of the Earth International, the largest grassroots environmental organisation in the world.

“ *Our Environmental Peacemaking work focuses precisely on the interdependent nature of our region's shared natural and cultural resources, thus creating a platform for dialogue so necessary in our area.* ”

FoEME Regional Co-Directors: Munqeth Mehyar (Jordan), Nader Khateeb (Palestine) and Gidon Bromberg (Israel)

**FoEME** carries out trans-boundary research projects and publishes joint reports and position papers as well as working with local communities that promote cross border environmental sustainability, peace and intercultural dialogue. Among the projects realised are:

**Good Water Neighbours** which raises awareness on the water problems shared by Jordanians, Palestinians and Israelis.

**Mountain Aquifer / "Pro-Aquifer"** which establishes guidelines for monitoring, managing, and reducing sources of groundwater pollution in Israeli and Palestinian municipalities.

**Dead Sea** which tackles the challenges facing the Dead Sea Basin in order to create a comprehensive integrated regional development plan for the entire Dead Sea region.

**Jordan River** which addresses the ecological challenge of the demise of the Lower Jordan River in addition to promoting a regional strategy to rehabilitate the river.

**Big Jump Day** which encourages local citizens to take responsibility for their rivers, and to call upon the governments to support their rehabilitation.

**Ecoparks** as a powerful tool for environmental education to preserve biodiversity, promote cross border cooperation and develop the potential for local eco-tourism.



**Regional Environmental Center (REC)**  
First Runner-up  
Hungary  
[www.rec.org](http://www.rec.org)

Based in Hungary, REC is a non-profit international organisation with field offices in 16 European countries and Turkey. Their main areas of work include: sustainable management and use of natural resources, capacity building of stakeholders and partnerships, strengthening institutions for sustainable development, integration of environmental concerns into the relevant sectors.

## RUNNERS-UP

**FUNCI** is a Spanish non-profit, scientific and cultural NGO. The Foundation's work is based on an open, universal view of culture, in which dialogue, solidarity and tolerance play an essential role.

One of FUNCI's flagship programmes is MED-O-MED Cultural Landscapes of the Mediterranean and the Middle East which works on the conservation biodiversity and natural and cultural heritage in the South and East Mediterranean as well as the Middle East.

**Islamic Culture Foundation (FUNCI)**  
Second Runner-up  
Spain  
[www.funci.org](http://www.funci.org)



**Mediterranean Information Office for Environment, Culture and Sustainable Development**  
Third Runner-up  
Greece  
[www.mio-ecsde.org](http://www.mio-ecsde.org)



Based in Athens, MIO-ECSDE is a federation of NGOs for Environment and Development, acting as a technical and political NGOs platform in the Mediterranean scene. MIO-ECSDE seeks to protect the natural environment and the cultural heritage as well as to develop areas of interaction between the two. MIO-ECSDE is involved in the coordination of the annual Mediterranean Action Day and other regional actions which promote sustainable development in a peaceful Mediterranean.

**Mr. Nikos Chrysogelos**  
Fourth Runner-up  
Greece  
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Nikos Chrysogelos is a Greek activist who works on sustainable development, intercultural dialogue, youth participation, and education for sustainability issues. His achievements range from organisation of international youth meetings to the realisation of exhibitions and videos on environment and ecological sustainability through intercultural dialogue.