



**APPROXIMATELY
1 IN 5 PEOPLE ARE
UNEMPLOYED IN JORDAN**

HAVE AN IDEA TO CHANGE THAT?

**APPLY TO THE EDU-SYRIA CALL FOR PROPOSALS
TODAY**

Deadline: 17th January 2021

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our progress*



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Improving livelihood options through a grants programme

Welcome to the Nuffic EDU-SYRIA quarterly newsletter, where we bring to you our latest programme updates.

Nuffic is the Dutch organisation for Internationalisation in education. Our mission is to contribute to the internationalisation of Dutch education and facilitate cooperation and exchange between knowledge and education institutes worldwide.

Our work in the Global Development unit is based on strengthening the competencies and skills of both individuals and organizations through education across sectors.

With a track record of over 65 years of successful programme and fund management, we've reached hundreds of thousands worldwide.



Digitalisation in short

- Digitalisation is woven into Sustainable Development Goals 4 (quality education), 5 (gender equality), 9 (industry, innovation and infrastructure) and 17 (partnerships for the goals);
- More than almost half of the world's population has no access to the internet;
- Approximately one fifth of youth worldwide is not engaged in productive employment, education or training;
- In Jordan, unemployment reached 19.1 per cent with a labour force participation rate of as low as 33.6 per cent by the end of 2019;
- Around 39 per cent of unemployed Jordanians hold a bachelors degree and above, 48.5 per cent hold less than secondary education and only 5.2 per cent hold diplomas.

EDU-SYRIA

The EDU-SYRIA programme is a series of EU-funded projects through the EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis (Madad Fund), and the Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI), which are managed by the German Jordanian University. EDU-SYRIA came as a response action to help Syrian refugees and the host communities in Jordan overcome the Syrian crisis consequence through granting Syrian refugees and underprivileged Jordanians access to higher education and the labour market.

In its 3rd phase, the project will help 2245 direct beneficiaries, with a fund of 15 million Euros, raising the total fund of EDU-SYRIA programme to 32.6 million Euro.



Nuffic's Grant Programme

The EDUSYRIA Call for Proposals has now been launched and will close on the 17th January 2021. If you haven't had the chance to see the Call yet, you still have a chance to apply. Check it here to download all the relevant call documents and templates. <https://edu-syria.eu/edu-syria-call-for-proposals/>.

The call for proposals was designed to alleviate “bottlenecks” in accessing and completing higher education as well as accessing the labour market for the most vulnerable, underprivileged Jordanians and Syrian refugees in Jordan. Therefore, the current call for proposals will target;

- 1) **Providing psycho-social support and enhancing social cohesion and harmony.**
- 2) **Capacity building programmes/projects**
 - a. Short courses that train beneficiaries on entrepreneurship skills that exclusively target potential home-based businesses
 - b. Short courses, skill development and internships in fast growing occupations:
 - i. **Green growth**
 - ii. **Information and communications technologies**
 - iii. **Other fast-growing occupations:**
- 3) **English language skills** to prepare students for higher education as well as accessing the labour market: English language courses, communication, and soft skill performance development is an example. Focus should be placed on any skill development needed to access higher education or the labour market in Jordan.
- 4) **Policy research** focusing on the gap between higher education and the labour market and the impacts of COVID-19.

Apply before the 17th January 2021 at the following link
<https://delta.nuffic.nl/Application/Apply/266>



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