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Facts & Figures

Name: AMIN Media Network / Internews
Legal Status: Non-governmental
Organization
Established: 1996
Offices : Jerusalem, Ramallah and Gaza
Number of staff: 14
Annual Budget: appr. \$300,000



What is AMIN?

Arabic Media Internet Network (AMIN) is an independent Palestinian non-governmental organization that was founded in Jerusalem in 1996 that promotes the development of an independent public media sector in Palestine that informs the public and promotes democracy and accountability.

AMIN helps to uphold the media professionals' freedom of speech and helps to improve their professionalism, objectivity and their capacity to increase diversity in the Palestinian media.

AMIN strives for:

- a Palestinian media that supports human rights, social justice, civil society and local sustainable development;
- a politically engaged Palestinian youth that uses social media to convey its message.
- institutional, policy and legal reforms that support greater freedom and independence of the Palestinian media.
- a stronger role of the local media and citizen journalists to support freedom of expression, local development, and civil society,

by organizing trainings, meetings, workshops and events and by providing technical resources for social media activists, individuals, media outlets, and government institutions.



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What has AMIN accomplished?

In the past sixteen years, AMIN helped to create more room for freedom of expression, by fighting the (self-)censorship existing in Palestinian media, by encouraging media to report on sensitive issues and by providing an alternative platform to journalists to publish articles that were rejected by other media outlets. By introducing blogging and citizen journalism to different levels of the Palestinian society a few years ago, AMIN even went a step further and gave people a voice to express their feelings and opinions freely. Even marginalized groups have been encouraged and trained by AMIN to express themselves and to use (social) media to convey their message and to raise their voice.

AMIN also helped improve the quality and diversity of the Palestinian media by training journalists and other media professionals from both the West Bank and Gaza, by encouraging and training female journalists and by training spokespersons of different government institutions on how to inform the media and the public. Through joint workshops and conferences many different groups have been brought together. Sometimes in order to overcome differences and to create mutual understanding and trust, and other times in order to create an opportunity to discuss issues of mutual concern and strengthen existing relationships.

All in all, AMIN has trained thousands of journalists, media professionals, academics, decision makers, security personnel, students and citizens from both the West Bank and Gaza since its establishment in 1996. It is and has been able to conduct its activities as a result of financial support from - amongst others - the European Union, the British Government, Canada Fund, the US Consulate, UNESCO, UNDEF, USAID, FAO, and several private donors.

Office and team

AMIN has a team of dedicated professionals that works from its offices in Jerusalem, Ramallah and Gaza. The Ramallah office has a Media Training Center that includes two fully equipped professional training halls, professional TV production equipment and a fully-equipped radio studio that is used for training and professional radio productions. The Media Training Center also uses video conferencing equipment in order to be able to organize joint workshops, meetings and training for groups from both the West Bank and Gaza.

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