



League of Arab States

“Empowerment
of youth
organizations
and youth-led
civil society
initiatives in the
south-
Mediterranean
framework

Population Policies and
Migration Department

LAS

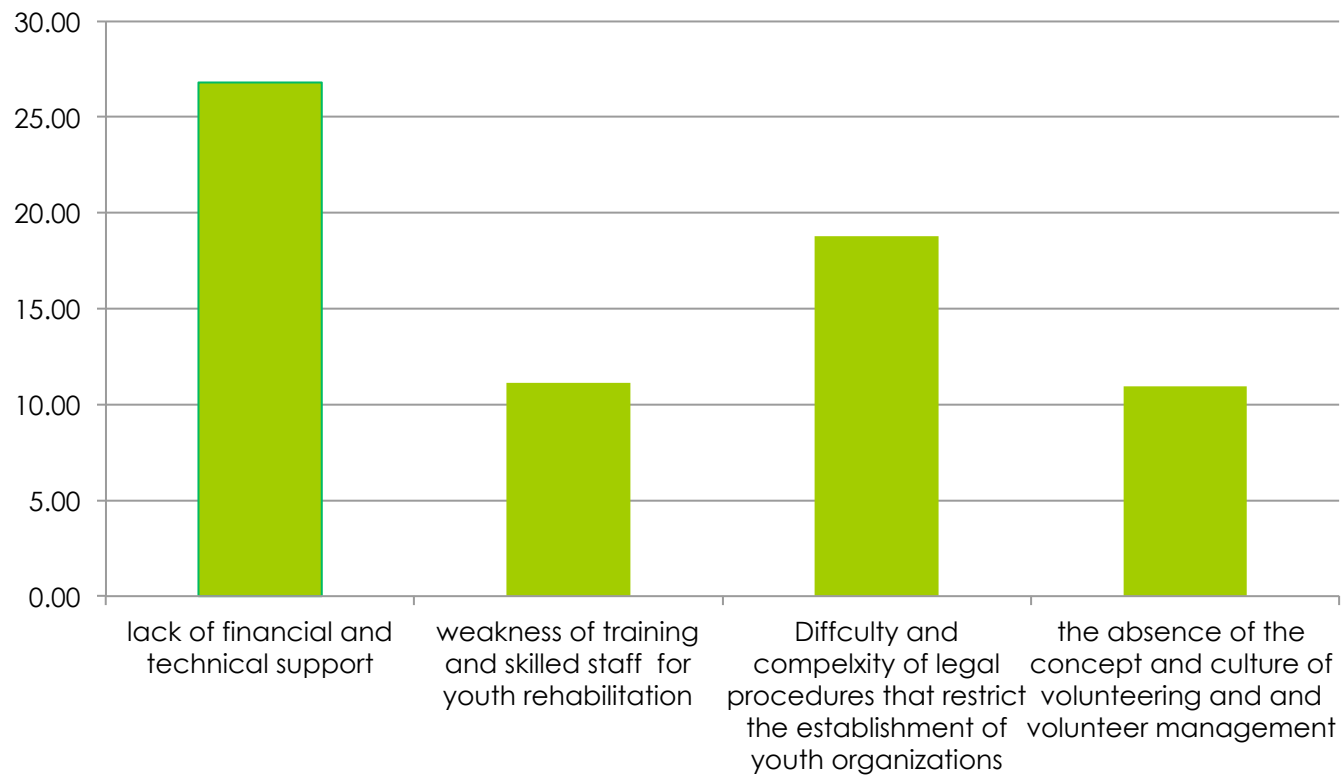
Background and study themes

- Electronic survey
- Sampling of the study: approximately 500 active youth (65% Male, 35% Female), covers 12 Arab countries
- Themes :
 - I. Capacity building and youth organizations support.
 - II. Promoting citizenship and Democracy among young people.
 - III. The effective youth participation in political issues in post-event and during the phase of democratic transition.

The most prominent challenges in the field of participation

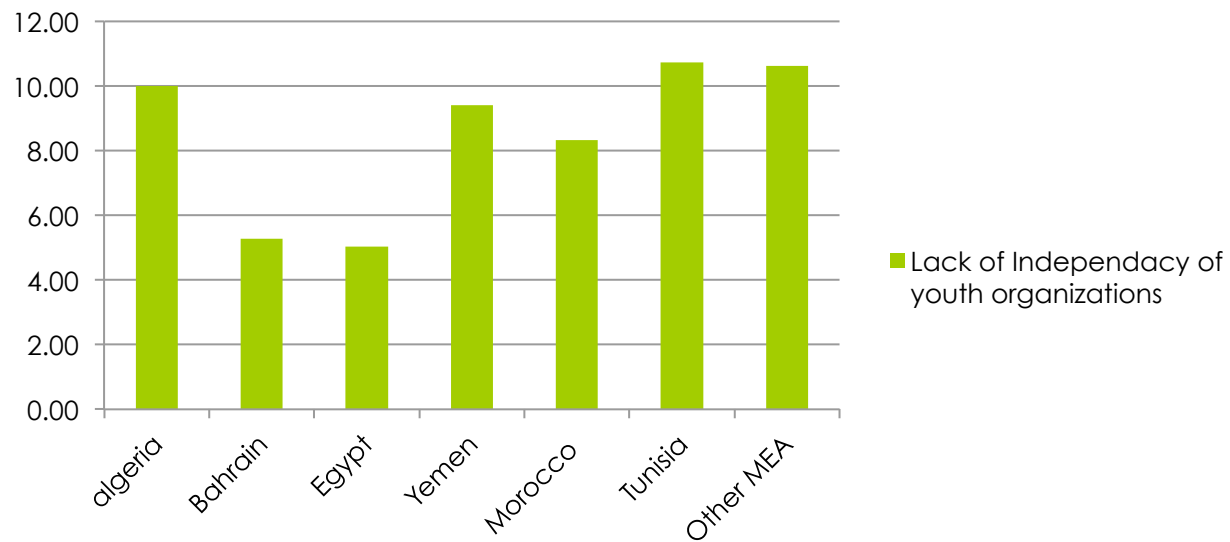
- Strong need for funding resources
- Difficulty and complexity of legal procedures
- Skills and knowledge weakness
- Voluntary work weakness

Challenges and constraints facing the work of youth organizations



“The most prominent obstacles is the lack of independence because the regime makes it one of its tools to serve its interests and this reflect on youth” (Tunisian)

- Legal and administrative obstacles and lack of independence



The most important needs, including those from LAS and international organizations

- Technical and financial support :

Proposal to establish a mechanism to support youth organizations projects :
priority in the areas of employment, youth participation, networking and dialogue



The need to
establish an
Arabic Center
for the training
of youth leaders

- **Strong demand** for training: especially in the area of:
 - I. themes related to youth and democratic transition
 - II. Leadership skills and organizations management
 - III. Dialogue skills

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- IV. Development of legislations and laws :
demand for the adoption of a youth
rights declaration
 - v. Provide intensive opportunities for
dialogue, exchanges and networking :
Forums, meetings, conferences etc.....