

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT TOWARDS A BETTER FUTURE

The web of life remain strong when all threads are sustainable.

What's Inside?



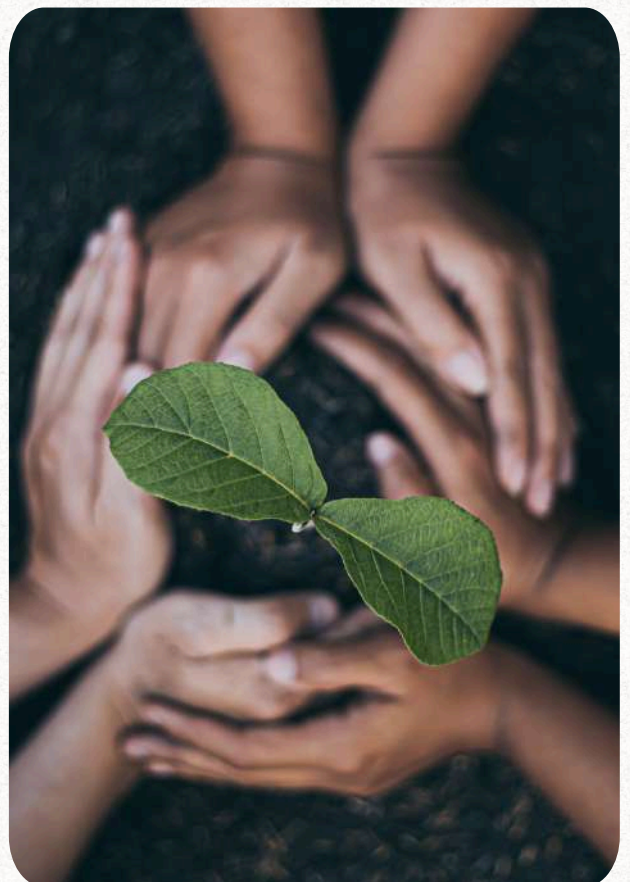
Trainings
Awareness



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Visibility



Our interconnected world require sustainable solutions.


13 CLIMATE ACTION


LA FRESQUE DU CLIMAT

Un atelier ludique éducatif et collaboratif pour sensibiliser les étudiants au changement climatique et pour les inspirer à agir.



La Chaire de « Fondation Diane » CEEDD, en collaboration avec l'Ambassade de France et l'association « Fresque du Climat », a organisé un atelier de formation qui s'est étendu sur deux jours, visant à approfondir la compréhension du changement climatique et à préparer les participants à devenir des animateurs, afin de faire face aux défis environnementaux. Cet atelier a été conçu et animé par Cédric Lecellier, le 16 janvier 2024.

AI WEBINAR



Leveraging Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Development

On the 13th of June 2024, the Chair of "Fondation Diane" for Education on Eco-citizenship and Sustainable Development launched its webinar "Leveraging Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Development", delivered by Christophe Zoghbi, founder of ZAKA | كذا.



Leveraging Artificial Intelligence For Sustainable Development

Artificial intelligence is about providing machines with a kind of **intelligence** that is mainly attributed to humans.

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LEVERAGING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Christophe Zoghbi | **USJ** | **ZAKA**

Date: Thursday, June 13 at 6 PM
Registration Link In Bio

The Webinar caught the interest of around 450 registered individuals and gathered around a hundred and fifty participants! In light of the widespread adoption of AI today, the provided information enabled a deeper dive into the new world of Ai, through an interactive approach, followed by a Q/A session.




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 ينظم كرسي التربية على المواطنة البيئية والتنمية المستدامة التابع لمؤسسة ديان،
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النسخة الثانية للمباراة في الإلقاء
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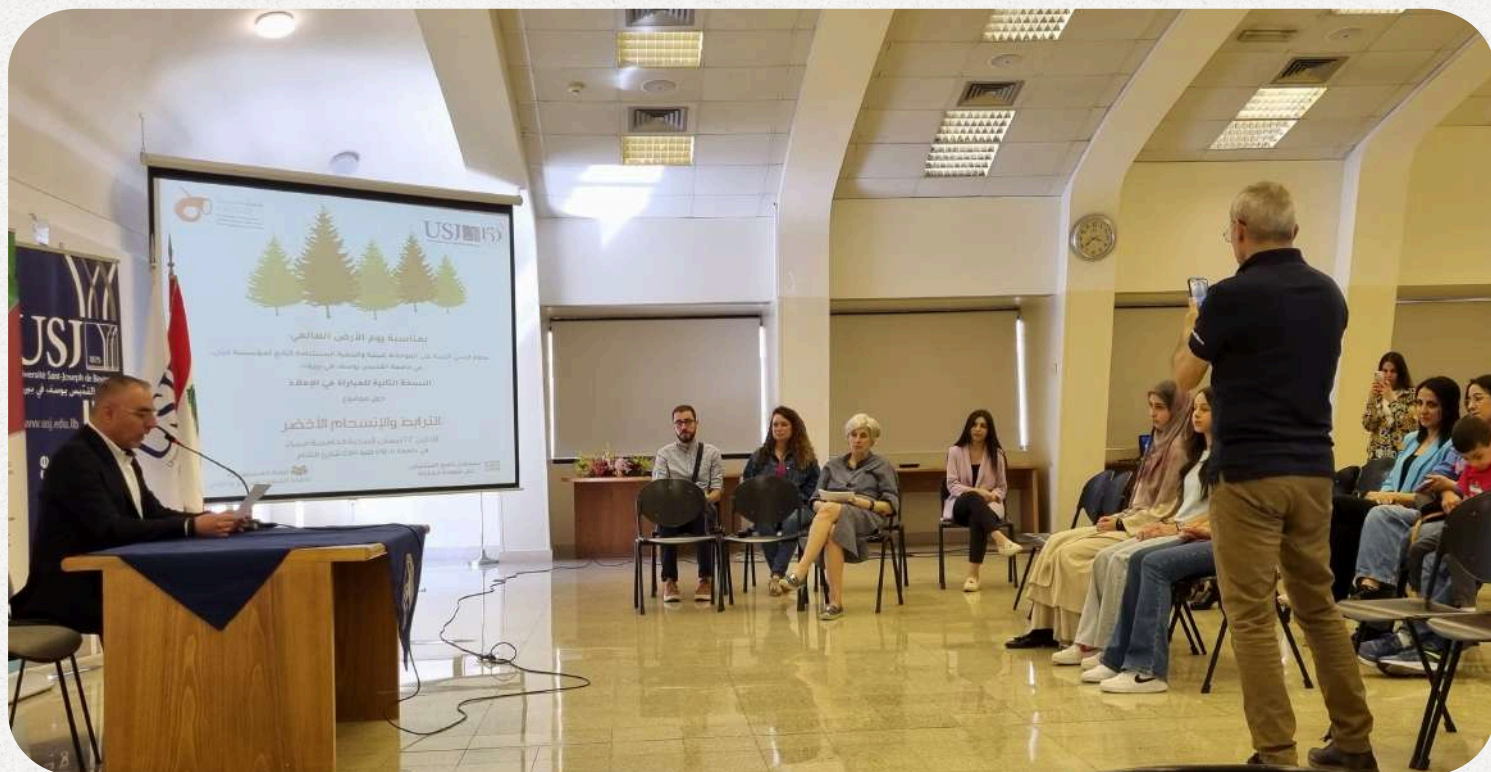
DICTÉE VERTE

“L’interdependance et l’harmonie verte!”

Chaque année, la Chaire CEEDD organise un concours de dictée sur un thème lié au développement durable. Pour célébrer la Journée Mondiale de la Terre cette année, la chaire a organisé un concours de "dictée verte" en Arabe, le Lundi 22 avril 2024, mettant l'accent sur la biodiversité, l'interdependance et l'harmonie verte. L'événement a eu lieu à l'Université Saint-Joseph au campus des Sciences Humaines, et a réuni plus de 600 élèves venus de diverses régions du Liban. Nous félicitons chaleureusement ces jeunes pour leur enthousiasme et leur excellente maîtrise de la langue arabe. Cette dernière véhicule des valeurs que nous partageons, et notre mission est de promouvoir l'éducation à l'Environnement, au Développement Durable, et à l'Éco-citoyenneté.



LA REMISE DES PRIX AUX GAGNANTS DE LA DICTÉE VERTE



À l'occasion de la Dictée Verte qui s'est déroulée le 22 avril 2024 (journée mondiale de la Terre), des élèves de diverses écoles du Liban se sont rassemblés pour participer à cet événement. Cette compétition a mis en lumière l'importance de l'éducation et de la sensibilisation à l'environnement.



Les trois premières gagnantes étaient :

- 1er prix : Joy Farah - SSCC Kfarhabab
- 2ème prix : Jennifer Daou - Besancon Baskinta
- 3ème prix : Fatima Ali Yassine - Al Mehdi - Hadath

Félicitations à tous les participants !





WATER SANITATION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM UNDER THE USAID- FUNDED WSC PROJECT: ROUND TABLE



The Career and Placement Office of USJ hosted a vibrant roundtable discussion at the Social Sciences Campus on February 21, 2024, as part of the Water Sanitation Internship Program under the USAID-funded WSC project. The focus was on guiding students' career paths, with particular attention to youth involvement in the sector. The Chair of "Fondation Diane," alongside representatives from various organizations including the WSC project team, WE4F by Berytech, 3M Plast, Bioland, the Association of Lebanese Industrialists, CubeX, Arcenciel, and NJoy, participated in the roundtable discussion. Approximately 35 students from different majors also attended the roundtable. This event provided them with a valuable opportunity to engage directly with industry leaders and potential employers in the water sector. By participating in the roundtable, students gained insights into career paths and internship opportunities, as well as ongoing projects in the sector, enhancing their understanding of the industry and boosting their future job prospects.

IMPROVING CSO CAPACITY TO ENGAGE IN WATER SANITATION AND CONSERVATION: RESEARCH PACK AND PROJECT WRITING

Under the Water & Sanitation (WSC) project, participating Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) underwent technical and institutional training before engaging in a coaching program. Following the training program, CSO staff applied their acquired knowledge through Participatory Action Research (PAR) and proposal writing, guided by dedicated coaches. The initiative aimed to enhance CSO capacity, involved identifying community needs, proposing relevant projects, and cultivating sustainable solutions through participatory action research. The goal is to empower CSOs as informed advocates for evidence-based policies, contributing to sustainable water management and community awareness.

The coaching initiative, spanning 6 months, marked a significant step towards improved water management. Each CSO, under mentorship, conducted comprehensive research and delivered well-researched reports showcasing their skills. The initiative not only highlighted joint efforts in supporting water rights and sanitation but also provided a roadmap for future endeavors, emphasizing the positive impact of coaching on water management in Lebanon. Six expert coaches, selected for their expertise in research, proposal writing, and water sanitation, played key roles in guiding and mentoring the 21 CSOs. The coaches are as follows: Dr. Wadiaa Khoury, Eng. Jules Hatem, Dr. Wadih Skaff, Mrs. Sophie Mansour, Dr. Celine Chemali, Mrs. Judy Zeineddine.



PRACTICE SHARING FORUM



Under the Water & Sanitation (WSC) project, three Practice-Sharing Forums were organized: one in North Lebanon for Northern CSOs and two in Beirut for CSOs from South Lebanon, Mount Lebanon, Beirut, and Bekaa. These forums facilitated the exchange of experiences related to the WSC project among the participating CSOs.

- Practice Sharing Forum 1(North): PSF (USJ North Campus), gathering the following CSOs: Akkarouna, AND, AICA, and Mada Association. June 25, 2024
- Practice Sharing Forum 2 (Beirut 1): PSF (USJ Beirut Campus - CIS), gathering the following CSOs: DPNA, MDF, Fondation Diane, Makassed, LRI, Global Steps, and SPNL. July 11, 2024
- Practice Sharing Forum 3 (Beirut 2): PSF (USJ Beirut Campus - CSH), gathering the following CSOs: YND, FSF, USPEaK, YMCA, The Lee Experience, Nusroto, Green Lebanon, CCIАЗ, and ACS. July 15, 2024



SORTING AT SOURCE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IN BATROUN TOWN: INTRODUCTORY MEETING WITH THE MAYOR OF BATROUN MUNICIPALITY

As part of the USAID-funded Community Support Program (CSP), and in collaboration with the Chair of 'Fondation Diane' CEEDD at Saint-Joseph University, a project was launched to reshape the community's perspective on waste in 12 municipalities in the Batroun district, fostering behavioral shifts towards actively engaging in the sorting of solid waste at its source. The project will be implemented in two clusters: the first in the town of Batroun itself, and the second in the remaining 11 villages of Batroun district. Technical support will involve executing awareness campaigns within the villages, each tailored to specific village needs. Regarding the Batroun cluster, due to its large scale, awareness campaigns will be executed in 6 sectors: Restaurants, Hotels, Resorts, Residences, Industrial Establishments, and Schools & Universities.



Additionally, the project focuses on training selected volunteers in effective waste sorting techniques and equipping them with the skills to design impactful awareness campaigns. To back the project's goal, material support will be provided by distributing bins throughout the streets of the 12 villages to collect recyclable waste.

To kick off the project in Batroun town, an Introductory Meeting was arranged at the Batroun Municipality Town Hall on Thursday, March 7th, 2024, at 9:30 am, gathering representatives from CEEDD/USJ, CSP, Batroun Municipality, and the mayor of Batroun himself, Mr. Marcelino Al Harek. The primary objective was to launch the preparatory phase by presenting the project's objectives, scope, strategy, and outlining CSP's support.





BEACH CLEANUP

Amchit

The Chair of “Fondation Diane” in Education on Eco-Citizenship & Sustainable Development - CEEDD, in collaboration with Fondation Diane and Operation 7eme Jour, organized a coastal clean-up at Amchit.

With 30+ dedicated volunteers, we collected almost 100 bags of sorted waste.



COMITE DE PILOTAGE



Chaque trimestre, le Comité de pilotage de la Chaire CEEDD se réunit pour évaluer les projets, fixer les nouveaux objectifs, reajuster la stratégie et discuter de la suite. Ces réunions sont essentielles pour assurer une direction claire et une progression constante dans nos initiatives.



Cette année, la première réunion s'est tenue en février, où nous avons passé en revue les réalisations de l'année précédente et identifié des domaines d'amélioration. La seconde réunion a eu lieu en juin, permettant de faire le point sur les progrès réalisés au cours du premier semestre et d'ajuster nos stratégies en conséquence.



DOCTORATE PROGRAM

First Prize for Best Oral Presentation

Hrair Danageuzian, our PhD student at FLSH Department of Geography, participated in the Doctoral Studies National Days organized by USEK Doctoral College.

The 3-day event which took place on April 24, 25, and 26 allowed doctoral students from all universities in Lebanon to present their research work. Participants were grouped based on discipline, and were given the choice of preparing a poster or an oral presentation, which was then evaluated by jury members.

Hrair's thesis titled "Education for Sustainable Development (ESD): A Problem-centered Curriculum for Grade 10" is supervised by Professor Liliane Buccianti Barakat and Professor Fadi El Hage.



He is pursuing his PhD through a full scholarship from Chair of "Fondation Diane" CEEDD – USJ.

Hrair participated in the Doctoral Days through an Oral Presentation in which he displayed his results from the needs assessment stage of his research methodology. Namely, his presentation provided insights on designing a problem-centered ESD curriculum for Grade 10 tailored for the Lebanese socio-cultural context through a semi-structured interview study. Based on the jury's deliberations, Hrair Danageuzian won the 1st prize for Best Oral Presentation in the Education category of the Doctoral Studies National Days.



Certificate of 1st Prize Winner

This certificate is awarded to

Hrair Danageuzian

for winning the 1st Prize – Best Oral Presentation in

Education
during the

Doctoral Studies National Days

held at USEK
on April 24 - 26, 2024

Congratulations!

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