About the Partners

Assistance Coordination Unit

The Assistance Coordination Unit (ACU) was formed in December 2012 by the National Coalition of Syrian Revolution and Opposition Forces (Etilaf) to coordinate urgently needed assistance to all those affected by the humanitarian crisis in Syria. The ACU coordinates the delivery of aid impartially to all Syrians regardless of ethnicity, religion, or political beliefs, in line with international standards and human rights principles that aid should be given on the basis of need alone. Since its inception, the ACU has worked to facilitate and direct the delivery of urgent humanitarian supplies, including medicine and food, to towns and cities across Syria. The ACU is a crucial Syrian institutional counterpart for the NPWJ Program on Syria and has nominated many of the Syrian institutional participants to the Chemical Weapons Awareness and Documentation Training, including doctors, lawyers and judges.

Global Political Trends Center

Global Political Trends Center (GPoT Center) is a non-profit, non-partisan research institution established under the auspices of Istanbul Kültür University in Turkey. As one of the leading Turkish think tanks, GPoT runs a number of projects in policy areas and has organised numerous conferences, work-shops and round-tables. The mission of the Center is to conduct research, projects, to produce innovative publications analysing the latest issues in the international relations, to formulate viable political recommendations and to boost the dialogue between civil society, academia and media. GPoT founders and NPWJ have been partners since 2004. GPoT provides the essential host country legal framework for NPWJ work in Gaziantep and its partnership ensures the program is fully integrated in the social, cultural, institutional, and political fabric of the host country.

No Peace Without Justice

No Peace Without Justice is an international non-profit organisation born from a 1993 campaign of the Transnational Radical Party that works for the protection and promotion of human rights, democracy, the rule of law, accountability and justice. NPWJ has unique field experience in wide-scale documentation of violations of international humanitarian law, conflict mapping and analysis, and in implementing outreach programs on issues of international criminal justice that engage communities in conflict, post conflict and politically complex environments. NPWJ program on Syria aims at reducing the expectation and the rewards of impunity and building a culture of accountability for crimes under international law. The mainstay of the project is a series of advocacy and training events with Syrian judges, lawyers and civil society activists on issues related to accountability.

Violations Documentation Centre

The Centre for Documentation of Violations in Syria (VDC) is a network of Syrian opposition activists whose aim is to document human rights violations perpetrated since the beginning of the Syrian uprising, including victims of the violence, detainees and missing people. The network works with the activists from the Local Coordination Committees of Syria and documents identified victims of the violence. The Centre’s main sources of information include medical records, families of the victims and information received from the Imams of the mosques that performed the burials. The VDC has nominated a number many of the Syrian civil society participants to the Chemical Weapons Awareness and Documentation Training, including human rights activists and medical staff.