



# Project Brief: Building Capacities of Media Professionals for Budget Tracking and Analysis

Donor	Partners	Budget	Period	Countries covered	Language
IBP	IBP	47 968.40 \$.	2013-2014	Tunisia	Arabic

#### **Justification**

The Center of Arab Women for Training and Research (CAWTAR) managed to strengthen its expertise in training of journalists and media professionals on various issues and priority themes such as: Gender, human rights, democratic transition and development of Arab women etc.

Several Tunisian media professionals lack knowledge of budgetary rules and procedures and show many gaps in processing budget information. Indeed, media professionals are not equipped and sensitized to analyze and criticize the national budget to give clear and reliable information to the public.

This program will strengthen the capacity of media professionals to ensure that media coverage contributes to guarantee the transparency of the budget process and the control of public resources at both national and local levels.

#### **Outcome**

- Provide media professionals with information to dissect the budget, to develop a critical vision to present budget information in a simple and clear way to the public;
- knowledge of journalists on terminology relating to the budget, the methods used to control it, recalling the importance of the media's role in the budget process, improved.

### **Outputs**

- 1. Three training sessions on the principles of budget analysis tailored to the needs of journalists;
- 2. Round Table Mentoring enable young journalists to benefit from the expertise of "seniors" and establish permanent links between them;
- 3. media production workshop.

## **Target group**

18 local media professionals.