



## Diab at the UN HQ in New York

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Ms. Jasmin Lilian Diab, Operations Manager and Youth Coordinator at the Lebanon Dialogue Initiative represented the Middle East at the United Nations and World Youth Alliance's International Solidarity Forum: Migration and Development, held at the UN Headquarters in New York City, USA between the 27<sup>th</sup> and the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2017.



Diab (second from right) in the UNHQ's meeting room reading the zero draft on behalf of the Middle East office in Beirut

The forum brings together World Youth Alliance members from around the world and subject matter experts to participate in lectures and discussions on topics relevant to ongoing international policy debates. Previous themes include Sustainable Development, Maternal Health, HIV/AIDs and Good Governance.



The International Delegation outside the UNHQ

Ms. Diab took part in drafting the "Zero Draft on Migration and Development", to be submitted as WYA's official statement to the UN-ECOSOC for 2017. She and Regional Director for the Middle East, Ms. Jessica Hallak, negotiated on behalf of the Middle East Regional Office.

Ms. Diab took part in six dialogue working groups in order to complete this draft, and went on to meet with President of the World Youth Alliance International, Mr. Lord Leomer Pomperada, and secure WYA's partnership for LDI's Dialogue and Best Practice Forum for the year 2017.



Final day meeting at the WYA Offices



The delegation in the UNHQ meeting room