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Methodological Note

This social report refers to the 2024 financial year and has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines for Third Sector entities issued by the Decree of 4 July 2019, and published in the Official Gazette on 9 August 2019. The report adheres to the principles of relevance, completeness, transparency, neutrality, competence, comparability, clarity, truthfulness and verifiability, reliability, and, where third-party evaluations are involved, independence.

The methodology adopted for drafting the social report did not follow any pre-established reporting standards. The data presented were processed by an internal working group based both on periodic reports (monthly and, in some cases, weekly) from project managers who locally monitor beneficiaries, and on project reports that involved the main stakeholders.

The aim of this social report is to provide a comprehensive overview and a conceptual consolidation of the solidarity purposes and general interest activities, in addition to offering specific information regarding the Association Pro Terra Sancta ONG ETS (registered on 22/01/2025 in the Third Sector Single National Register, Record no. 140893, Section: Other Third Sector Entities - Tax Code 97275880587) and the Association Pro Terra Sancta Network APS (registered on 28/11/2022 in the Third Sector Single National Register, Record no. 82501, Section: Associations for Social Promotion - Tax Code 97687760153). The report also highlights the synergistic results achieved jointly by both Associations, which benefit from a collaborative partnership that extends to the UK-based entity Pro Terra Sancta UK and iBreviary, a liturgical content app managed by a priest.

The objective was set to also provide a comprehensive overview of the network, which may be simply referred to as "Pro Terra Sancta," with the intention of drafting a single social report for both Associations. Therefore, the scope of the report includes the activities of Pro Terra Sancta ONG ETS and Pro Terra Sancta Network APS—two

legally separate entities that operate synergistically, leveraging the aforementioned partnership to fulfill their statutory goals and deliver effective support to their beneficiaries.

In line with this approach, the unified social report for both Associations is divided into three sections. The first section is dedicated to outlining the elements that should be analyzed jointly with regard to the entities participating in the Pro Terra Sancta network, to ensure stronger adherence to the reporting principles mentioned above. Specifically, this refers to:

- Mission
- Locations where activities are carried out (where we operate)
- Stakeholders
- Sustainable Development Goals
- Beneficiaries
- Activities and objectives (theory of change, areas and projects, conservation and development, education and assistance, humanitarian emergencies and impact entrepreneurship)
- Environmental impact

To further enhance clarity, two additional paragraphs are included that aggregate figures from both entities regarding human resources and financial data.

The second section includes specific information respectively for the Association Pro Terra Sancta ONG ETS and the Association Pro Terra Sancta Network APS concerning:

- Legal nature
- Organisational structure and staff
- Statutory and supervisory bodies
- Financial situation
- Oversight by the supervisory body

Lastly, in order to allow for a quick reference between the content mandated by Article 6 of the Decree of July 4, 2019, and the presentation method adopted in this social report, the third section contains a correlation table.

Letter from the General Director

Dear friends and supporters of Pro Terra Sancta,

I would like to thank all of you who have followed and supported our activities throughout 2024 and who, by browsing this report, continue to show your interest and closeness. I express deep gratitude on behalf of all the communities who benefit from your support, especially in a context marked by ongoing conflict and hardship.

With our thoughts turned to all those who have lost their lives in Israel and Palestine—particularly in Gaza and the West Bank—as well as in Lebanon and Syria, we strive to **remain a sign of joy and hope**, so that pain and suffering are not the final word on what is happening.

“God asked Abraham to look up at the sky and count the stars (cf. Gen 15:5). In those stars he saw the promise of his descendants—he saw us. And today we, Jews, Christians, and Muslims, together with brothers and sisters of other religions, honor Father Abraham by doing as he did: we look to the sky and walk upon the earth.”

These words, spoken by Pope Francis in Iraq in March 2021, guide us on this **journey of humanity and collaboration**. Like the stars in the sky that shine together and illuminate even the darkest nights, we believe in the importance of building bridges and promoting unity among people. Our commitment is to foster encounter and mutual support, recognizing the unique value of every individual.

In this report, and through our communication channels, we continue to share stories, testimonies, and information about the projects we have carried out across different countries in the Middle East. We want to **make clear the impact of your contributions** and how they translate into concrete actions of support and hope.

The needs we witness around us remain enormous, but we are increasingly aware that what truly matters is *being present, fostering encounters, and creating bonds*—not simply “doing,” which often feels small and seemingly insignificant, though still meaningful, in the face of ongoing humanitarian emergencies and educational and social needs.

Many of our efforts continue to respond to the need to **preserve and maintain the places of memory of Christian history**, which began in specific times and places. I recall in particular the sanctuary in Damascus, which commemorates the encounter between Saint Ananias and Saint Paul; the sanctuary in Bethany, which recalls the resurrection of Lazarus and the meetings with Jesus and his sisters Martha and Mary; the sanctuary marking the birth of Saint John the Baptist in Ain Karem near Jerusalem; and the basilicas of the Annunciation in Nazareth and the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. We are honored to support, alongside all of you, the Franciscan friars of the Custody of the Holy Land in safeguarding the places that Jesus and the first apostles once beheld, and to support—together with these sites—the diverse local communities.

The initiatives of Pro Terra Sancta seek to foster relationships and encounters between those who can give and those in need—people who, even in their need, bear witness to a joy and hope that seem humanly impossible.

Tommaso Saltini







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Who We Are

Pro Terra Sancta is a **network** that promotes and implements **projects for the conservation and enhancement** of cultural and natural heritage, **supports** local communities, and provides **aid** in humanitarian emergencies.

The Holy Land is the center of the world, a crossroads of peoples, religions, and cultures. It is the land where all peoples have their roots. **Being part of the work of Pro Terra Sancta means** loving the Holy Land in its places and its people. It means **cultivating a lasting connection with the Holy Sites** and the ancient Christian communities.

Pro Terra Sancta **operates in the Middle East**, mainly where the Franciscan friars of the Custody of the Holy Land are present, in the places at the origin of the Christian faith and alongside the local communities.

Our projects are carried out in collaboration with local civil society organizations, economic actors, and cultural and social institutions, and they provide training and growth opportunities to the most vulnerable groups.

Pro Terra Sancta is a network established to enhance the effectiveness of each individual organization working for the Holy Land, each in its own specific area.

The Pro Terra Sancta network includes:

- **Pro Terra Sancta Association**

A non-profit organization listed in the official registry of the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation and holder of a EuropeAid ID number from the European Commission. Pro Terra Sancta specializes in projects aimed at preserving and promoting cultural heritage, increasing local communities' awareness of their shared roots and fostering sustainable development opportunities. It also promotes educational and social initiatives and provides support in humanitarian emergencies.

- **Pro Terra Sancta Network Association**

A non-profit association that coordinates and supports fundraising activities for charitable work, socio-educational projects, and cultural heritage preservation. The association seeks to build strong ties between supporters and the Holy Sites, involving people of all backgrounds, cultures, and religions in supporting social, educational, and cultural projects.

- **Charity – Pro Terra Sancta UK**

A registered charity in England and Wales that raises funds in support of educational projects and cultural heritage conservation and enhancement in the Holy Land.

- **iBreviary**

An international community of users who pray the Liturgy of the Hours using the iBreviary Pro Terra Sancta app. The app was created by Fr. Paolo Padrini and is promoted by the Pro Terra Sancta network.

Mission: To foster bonds



Watch our institutional video!





between the Holy Land and the world

Where We Operate

We operate in the Middle East, in the countries and locations shown on the map.

Our activities are connected to four main areas of intervention—**conservation and development**, **education and assistance**, **humanitarian emergency**, and **impact entrepreneurship**—and are designed to address the challenges posed by the complex context of the Middle East. We aim to implement actions that foster the development of local populations with a focus on dialogue and peace.





TURKEY

CYPRUS

Nicosia
Larnaka
Limassol

LEBANON

Tripoli
Harissa
Beirut
Maaloula
Sidon
Tyre
Damascus

ISRAEL

PALESTINE

Sebastia
Jericho
Bethany
Amman
Jerusalem
Mount Nebo
Bethlehem
Gaza

SYRIA

IRAQ

JORDAN

SAUDI ARABIA

EGYPT

Alexandria
Port Said

El Cairo

Abou Korkas

Qena

Organization

The operations of Pro Terra Sancta are made possible through the close coordination of its various functional areas:

- Communication and Marketing

Responsible for promoting Pro Terra Sancta's activities and projects through direct accounts from local staff and stories from the beneficiaries receiving support.

- Institutional Fundraising

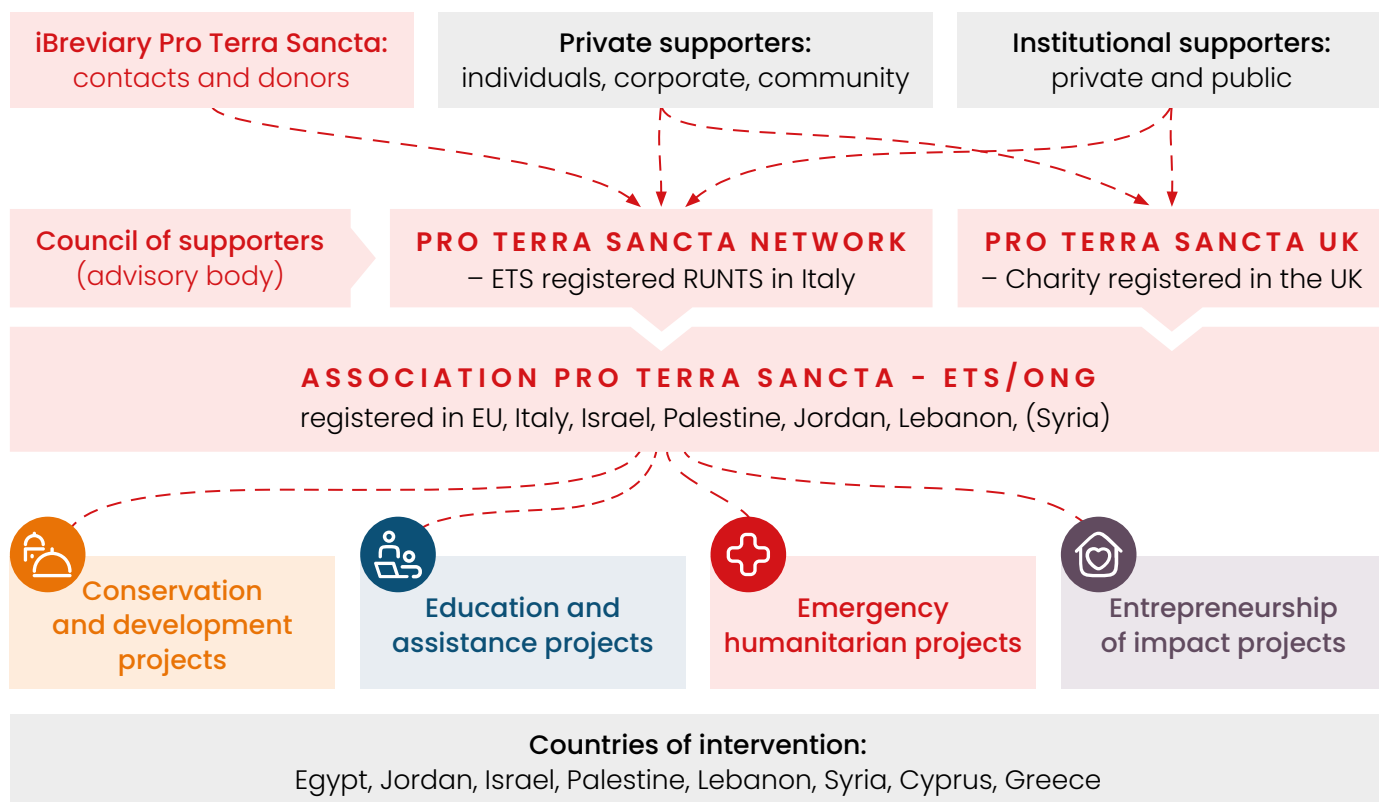
Focused on public and private institutions and foundations, primarily through participation in grant calls.

- Private Fundraising

Aimed at acquiring and managing private donors who wish to become benefactors by linking their names to the places where Pro Terra Sancta operates.

- Project Design and Reporting

Oversees the planning and implementation of projects supporting the areas of Conservation and Development, Education and Assistance, Middle East Emergencies, and Impact Entrepreneurship.



Organizational Chart

Council of supporters (advisory body):

Guendalina Sassoli de Bianchi
(Chairman)

PRO TERRA SANCTA NETWORK

– ETS registered RUNTS in Italy

- **Board of Directors:**
Carla Benelli (Chairman)
Raffaella Colasurdo, Tommaso Saltini
- **Supervisory body:** Elsa Ségard
- **Supervisory body:** Giacomo Cardani

PRO TERRA SANCTA UK

– Charity registered in the UK

- **Trustee Board:**
Christina Roger (Chairman)
Guendalina Sassoli de Bianchi
Tommaso Saltini
Stephen Bubb

ASSOCIATION PRO TERRA SANCTA

– ETS/ONG

reg. in EU, Italy, Israel, Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon, (Syria)

- **Board of Directors:**
Francesco Patton (Chairman)
Ibrahim Faltas (Vice-President), Francesco Ielpo,
Carla Benelli, Tommaso Saltini, Francesco Cassese
- **Secretary-General:** Alberto Pari
- **Supervisory body:** Federico Pamovio
- **Supervisory body:** Giacomo Cardani

General Manager: Tommaso Saltini

Administrative and financial manager:
Massimo Cassinari

General accounting manager:
Luisa Belloni

**Human
resources**

Communication:
Andrea Avveduto

**Private fundraising
direct & digital
marketing:**
Alessandra Lai

**Private fundraising
corporate, community,
major:** Guendalina
Sassoli de Bianchi

Institutional funds:
Giacomo Gentile

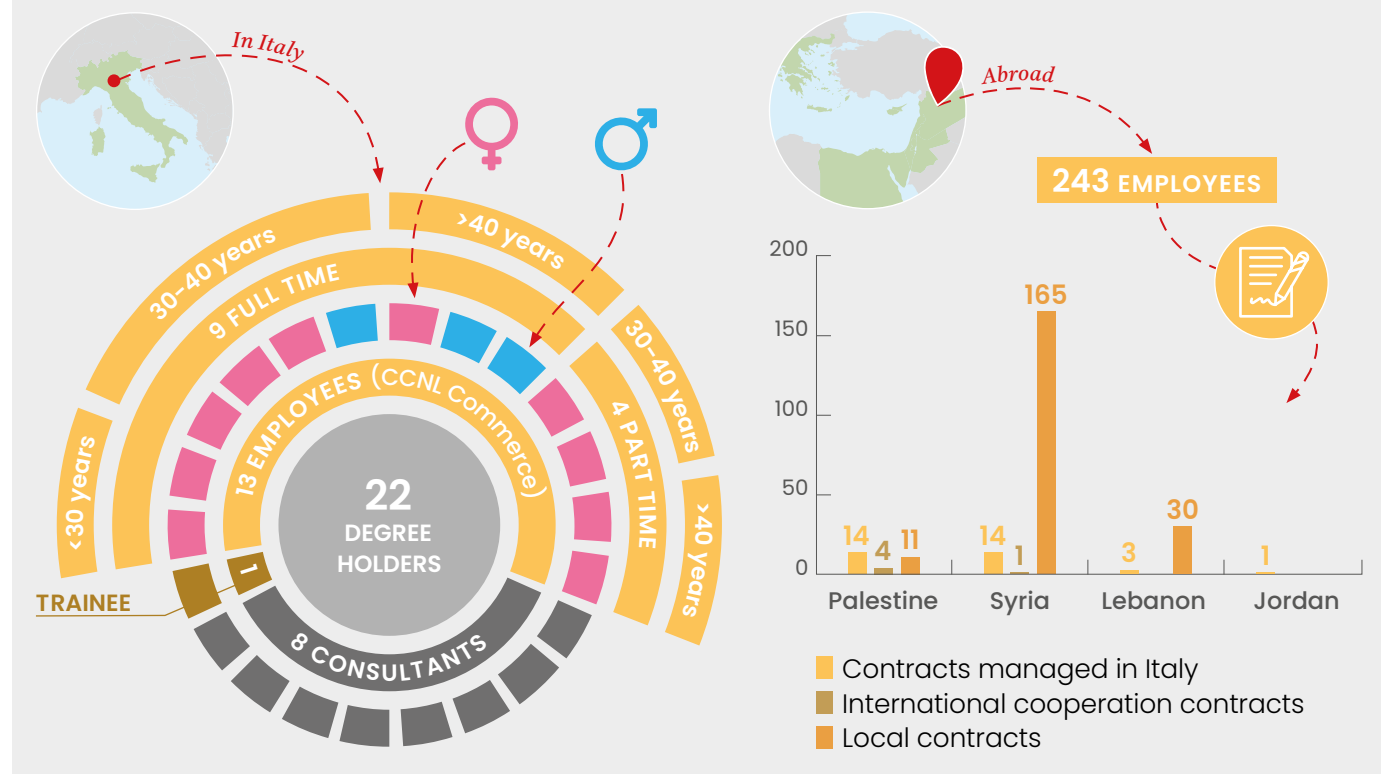
Project area: Giacomo Gentile

+ **Heads of offices in:** Beirut, Aleppo, Damascus, Amman, Bethlehem, Jerusalem



All Human Resources

COLLABORATORS OF THE PRO TERRA SANCTA NETWORK



TRAINING ACTIVITIES FOR STAFF

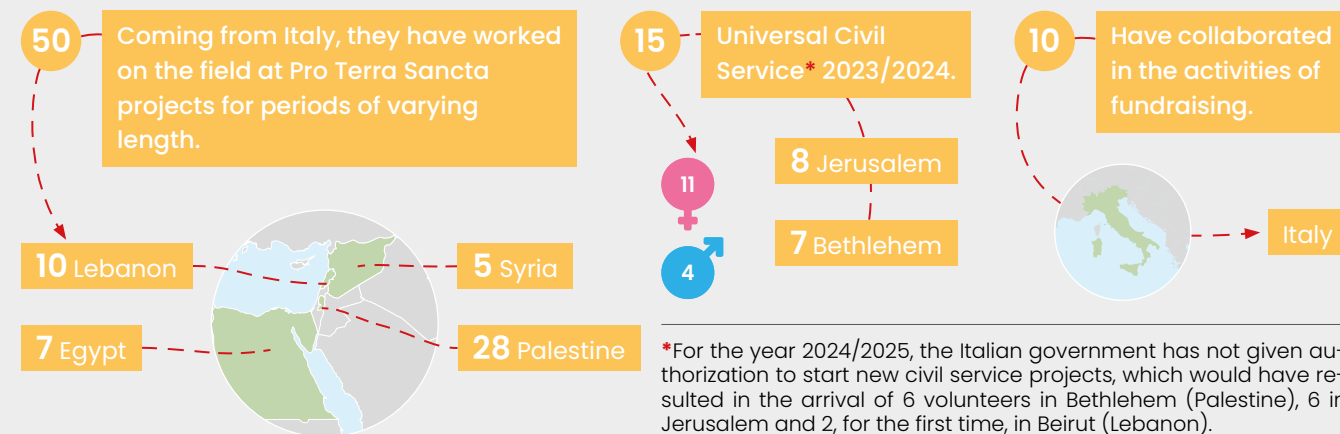
In Italy:

- refresher course for company first aid workers;
- music therapy activities;
- updating on the geopolitical history of the Middle East.

Abroad:

- ongoing training, divided into the different operational areas;
- art therapy activities and training to support personnel specialized in the treatment of war trauma.

VOLUNTEERS**



Stakeholders

OUR DONORS ARE THE MAIN STAKEHOLDERS

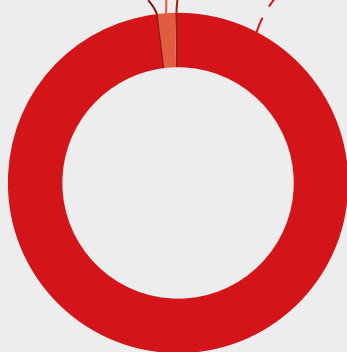
34,995 donors → 68,448 donations in 2024

610 groups and associations

20 private institutions

8 public donors*

34,357 individuals



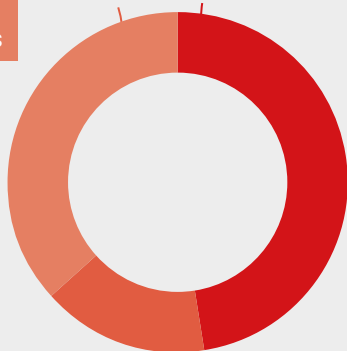
*Part of the public contributions refers to what is received for the Universal Civil Service of the volunteers assigned to our sites in Jerusalem and Bethlehem.



SUPPLIERS AND PARTNERS

116 suppliers in Italy involved in promotion and marketing activities

150 local suppliers abroad



50 local partners abroad

FROM OUR SOCIAL



60,000 followers



10,000 followers



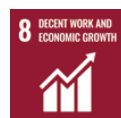
120,000 subscribers to the newsletter

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Beneficiaries

The summary table of beneficiaries of the Pro Terra Sancta projects for the year 2024 highlights the **breadth and variety of interventions carried out** in the various areas of action. The total number of beneficiaries reaches **160,607** people and corresponds to the number of **individuals who have benefited from the activities** carried out, distributed across five thematic macro-areas: **conservation and development**, **education and assistance**, **humanitarian emergency**, **impact entrepreneurship**, and **professional figures involved**.

The **humanitarian emergency** area, which alone represents over **64% of the total**, supported **102,822 beneficiaries** through the distribution of essential goods (meals, hygiene and food kits), healthcare assistance (medical examinations, medicines, surgical operations), and reconstruction and renovation interventions (homes, convents, solar and water systems).

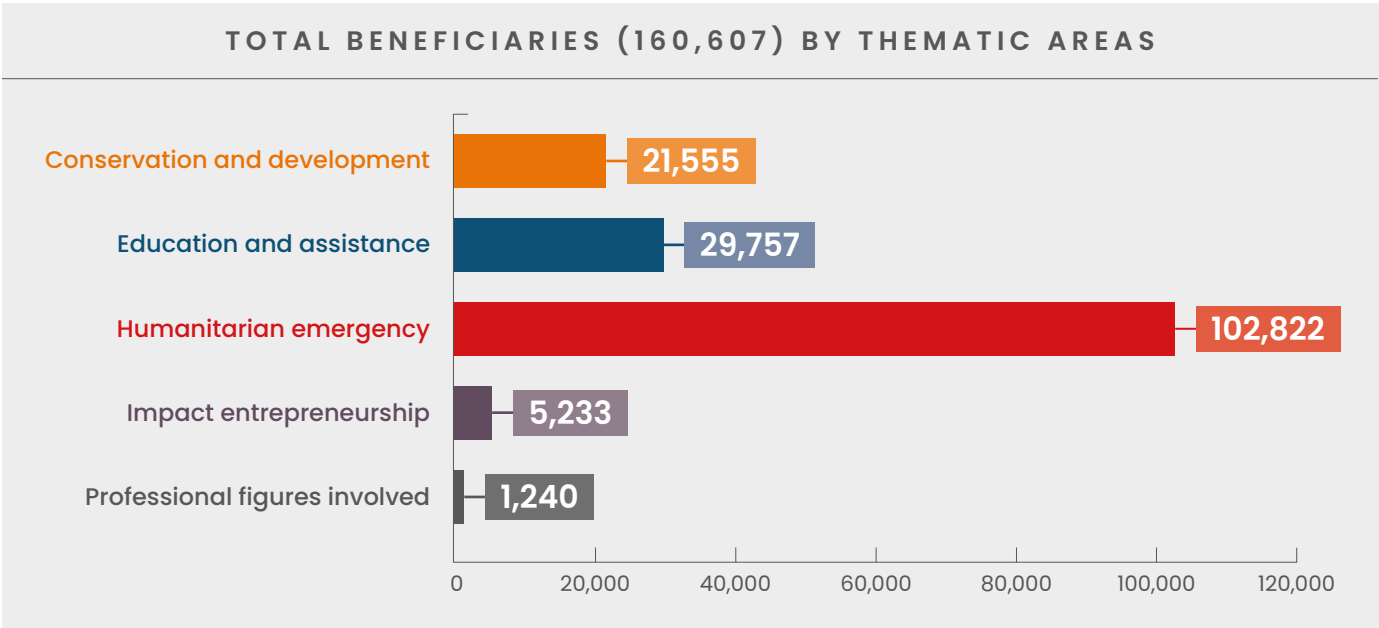
Following this is the **education and assistance** area with **29,757 beneficiaries**, involved in educational and psychosocial activities (after-school programs, art therapy, and psychological support) and in scholarship programs, including awareness meetings with Italian schools.

The **conservation and development** area reached **21,555 people** through visits to archaeological sites (e.g., Damascus, Mount Nebo, Terra Sancta Museum), heritage education activities, and cultural initiatives for local communities, with a strong impact in terms of enhancing identity and collective memory.

In the field of **impact entrepreneurship**, **5,233 beneficiaries** participated in training and development pathways for sustainable businesses, including family members and collaborators of the supported entrepreneurs, as well as guests of locally managed guesthouses.

Finally, **1,240 professionals** (educators, technicians, operators, skilled workers) were actively involved in the projects, contributing their skills to the success of the initiatives.

The data disaggregated by gender shows an **average female participation of 59%**, a sign of the attention given to inclusion and the promotion of the role of women in the various intervention contexts. Below is the data referring to all the countries in which we operate; within the project presentations are some graphs that constitute significant focus points for specific intervention areas.



BENEFICIARIES BY THEMATIC AREA AND TYPE OF ACTIVITY

ACTIONS	CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visitors to archaeological sites — Pag. 22 Heritage education activities — Pag. 22 Cultural events for local communities 	BENEFICIARIES <div> 17,498 2,667 1,390 </div> <div> 45% 55% </div>
ACTIONS	EDUCATION AND ASSISTANCE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educational and psychosocial activities — Pag. 28 Grants and scholarships Meetings with schools and cultural centers in Italy 	BENEFICIARIES <div> 17,909 1,848 10,000 </div> <div> 40% 60% </div>
ACTIONS	HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution of basic necessities — Pag. 38 Activities in the health sector — Pag. 34 Reconstruction/restructuring activities 	BENEFICIARIES <div> 89,169 10,637 3,016 </div> <div> 35% 65% </div>
ACTIONS	IMPACT ENTREPRENEURSHIP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entrepreneurship training — Pag. 40 Business financed by Pro Terra Sancta Guests of the guesthouses 	BENEFICIARIES <div> 4,612 308 313 </div> <div> 45% 55% </div>



Theory of Change

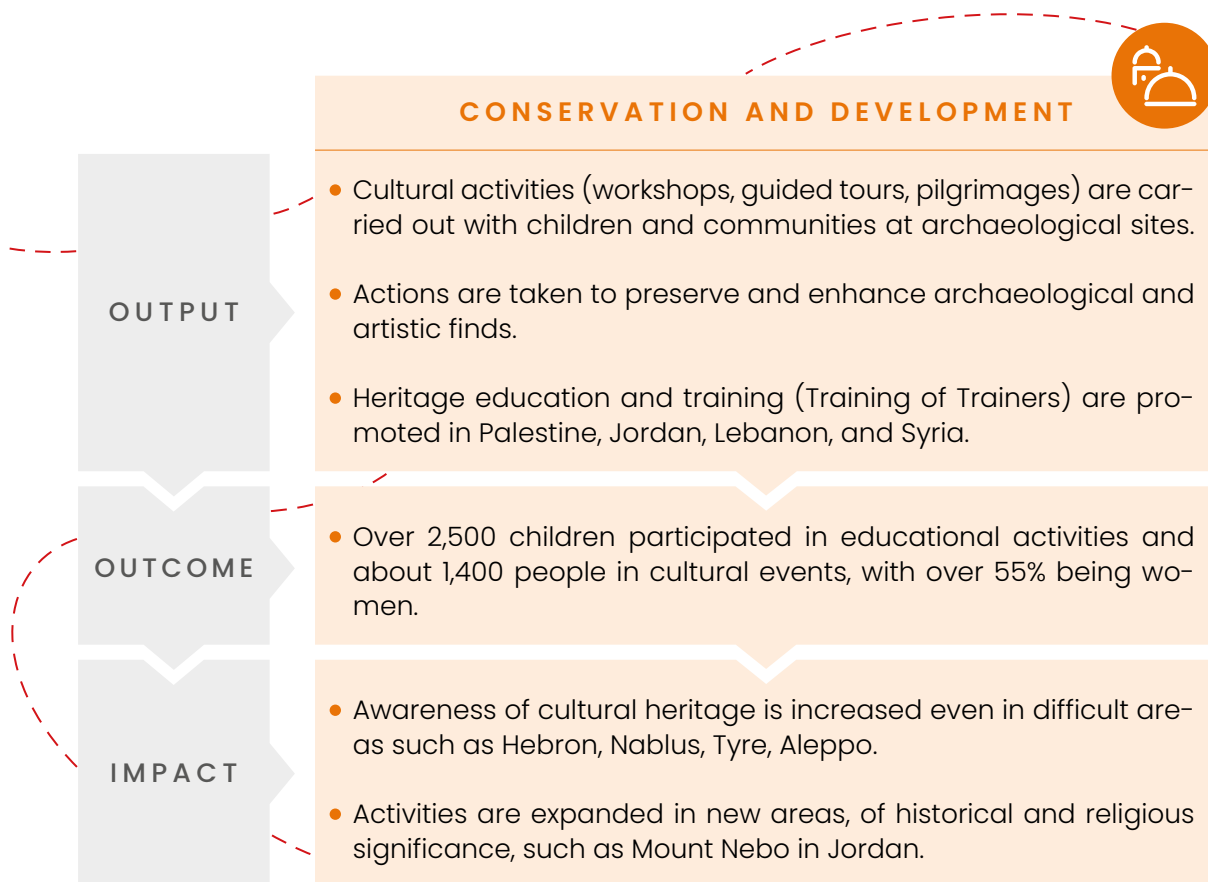
Pro Terra Sancta's **Theory of Change** is based on a **pragmatic and integrated approach**, which stems from the operational reality of the projects on the ground. The interventions are organized according to four main thematic areas, which guide the annual planning of activities:

1. Conservation and Development
2. Education and Assistance
3. Humanitarian Emergency
4. Impact Entrepreneurship

The strategic process adopted by the organization unfolds in an interactive and adaptive manner, **evolving according to the real needs** of the communities. The four thematic areas provide the supporting structure, but flexibility in implementation allows for a timely response to emerging challenges.

Monitoring and data collection **take place periodically**. The area managers compile a general narrative report on the activities carried out and the main results achieved. In parallel, the local offices collect the most essential and statistical data **on each activity carried out**, such as the number of beneficiaries reached, the services provided, and the perceived impact, through questionnaires and visits to families. At the end of the year, all this data is collected by the Milan office, aggregated, and analyzed to **evaluate the effectiveness of the interventions** and the potential need for future adjustments.

A distinctive element of Pro Terra Sancta's method is the **constant presence of operators in the field**: the Milan staff undertakes numerous monitoring visits in the field that strengthen the relationship between the headquarters and the local teams. This approach allows for the integration of collected information with direct observations, ensuring a greater depth of insight and data analysis.



EDUCATION AND ASSISTANCE



OUTPUT

- Distribution of scholarships and school recovery activities.
- Art therapy and music therapy sessions conducted.
- Psychological support sessions for children and families, with a focus on care methods for children with disabilities.
- Rehabilitation therapies conducted.
- Informational and awareness meetings with schools.

OUTCOME

- The *Franciscan Care Center* is established in Syria and Lebanon, staffed with qualified personnel and using innovative play-based techniques for the well-being of children and families.
- Over the course of one year, more than 17,000 children were assisted through educational and psychosocial activities, including in war-affected areas (Gaza, Lebanon).
- Over 400 children with physical and intellectual disabilities were supported in one year.
- Through scholarships, over 1,800 students in primary and secondary schools received support; in Egypt, educational activities were enhanced to cover school costs for children with incarcerated family members.

IMPACT



- School attendance and performance improved by 60%, with around 300 children reintegrated into the school system thanks to PSS (psychosocial support) and educational activities.
- Parents' skills in caring for children with disabilities improved, with progress noted in speech and movement.
- Pro Terra Sancta staff improved their case management skills and strengthened connections with NGOs and local organizations for effective referral to nearby services.





HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY

OUTPUT

- Distribution of meals and essential goods (food packages and hygiene products).
- Distribution of medicines, regular medical check-ups, and coverage of surgical procedures.
- Reconstruction and rehabilitation of homes, installation of solar panels and water tanks, and payment of rent for the most vulnerable families.

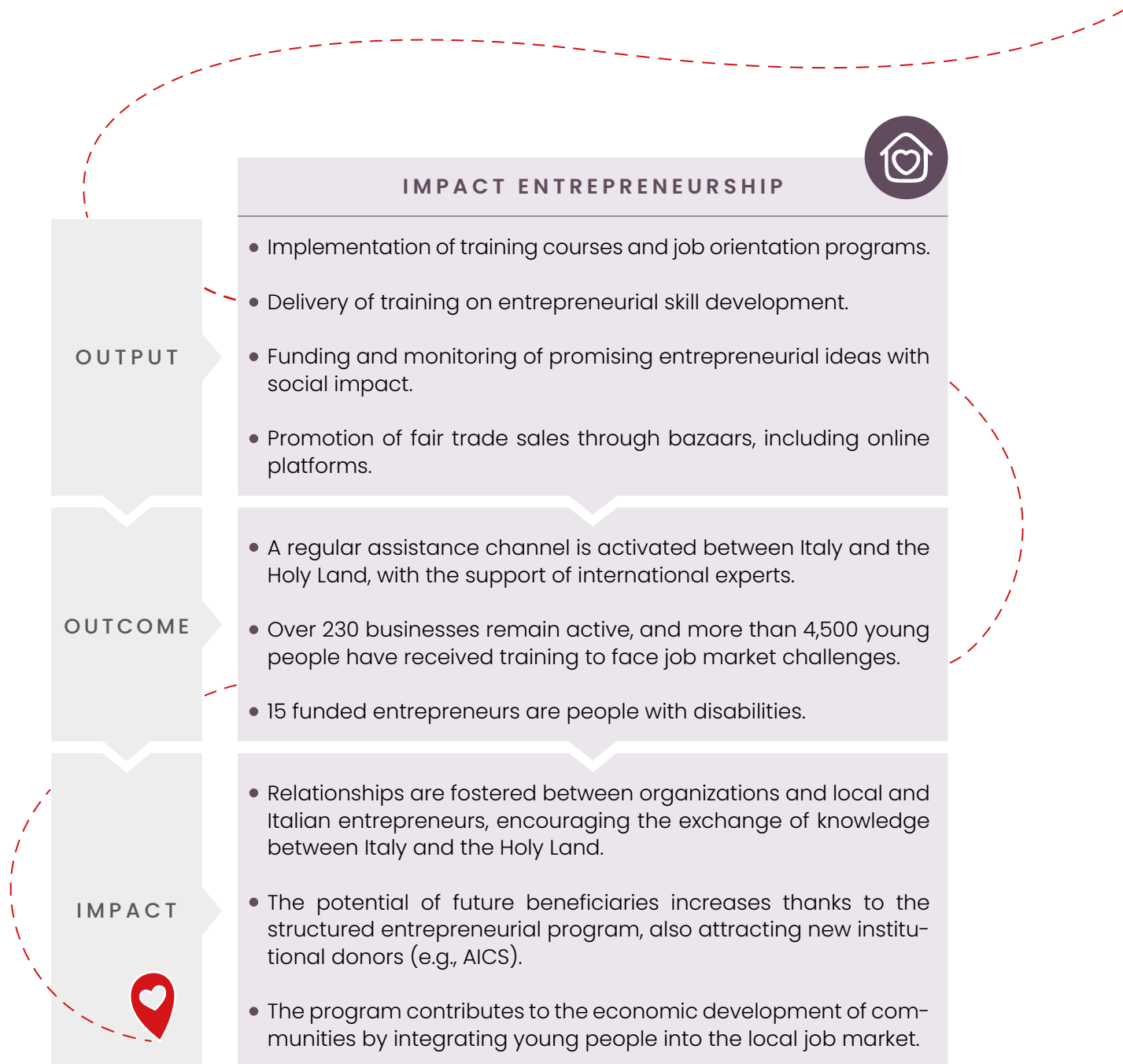
OUTCOME

- Primary needs (food and medical care: gynecology, pediatrics, minor surgery, cardiology) are addressed for approximately 100,000 beneficiaries.
- It is noted that 60% of the beneficiaries are women, and particular attention has been given to maternal-child and chronic diseases in the elderly.
- Dignified living conditions have been restored for over 3,000 families.
- In Gaza, around 3,000 beneficiaries were supported with essential goods and psychosocial support (PSS) following the conflict.
- In Lebanon, approximately 5,000 displaced persons were assisted with distributions of essential goods and PSS (in schools and convents).

IMPACT

- Access to meals, essential goods, medicines, and medical visits is restored to ensure a dignified life during emergencies.
- Families are able to save resources to cover transportation, education, and healthcare costs despite rising prices.
- Distribution, medical assistance, and construction activities—supported by home visits—make it possible to identify new needs and refer beneficiaries to additional Pro Terra Sancta and local services.





Areas and Projects

The projects we carry out in the region are divided into four major areas of intervention:

Conservation and development of the territory and its artistic and cultural heritage;



Humanitarian emergency, for people affected by wars and natural disasters, especially: Lebanon, Syria and Gaza.



Education and assistance, with special attention to the most vulnerable groups in the population;

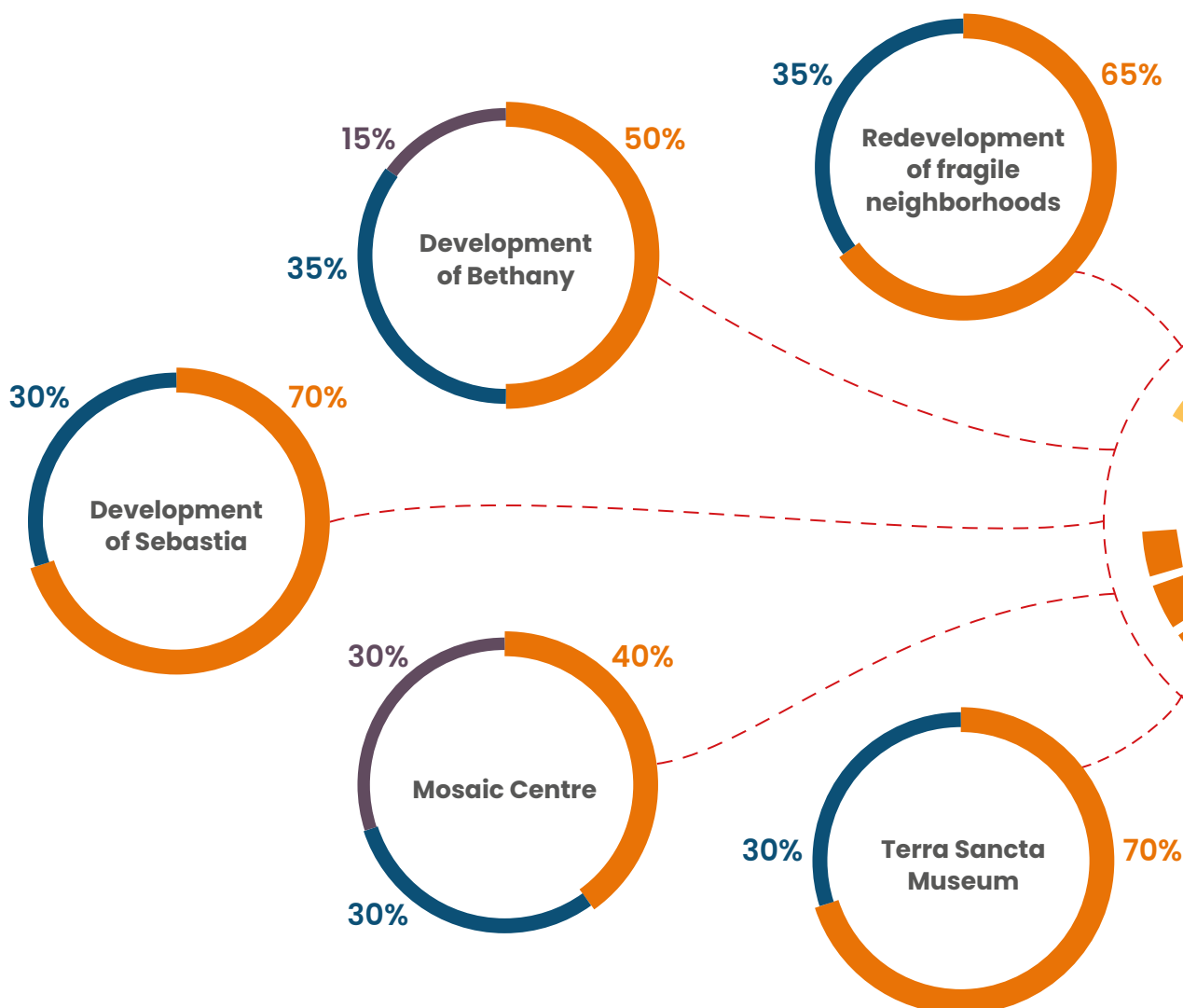


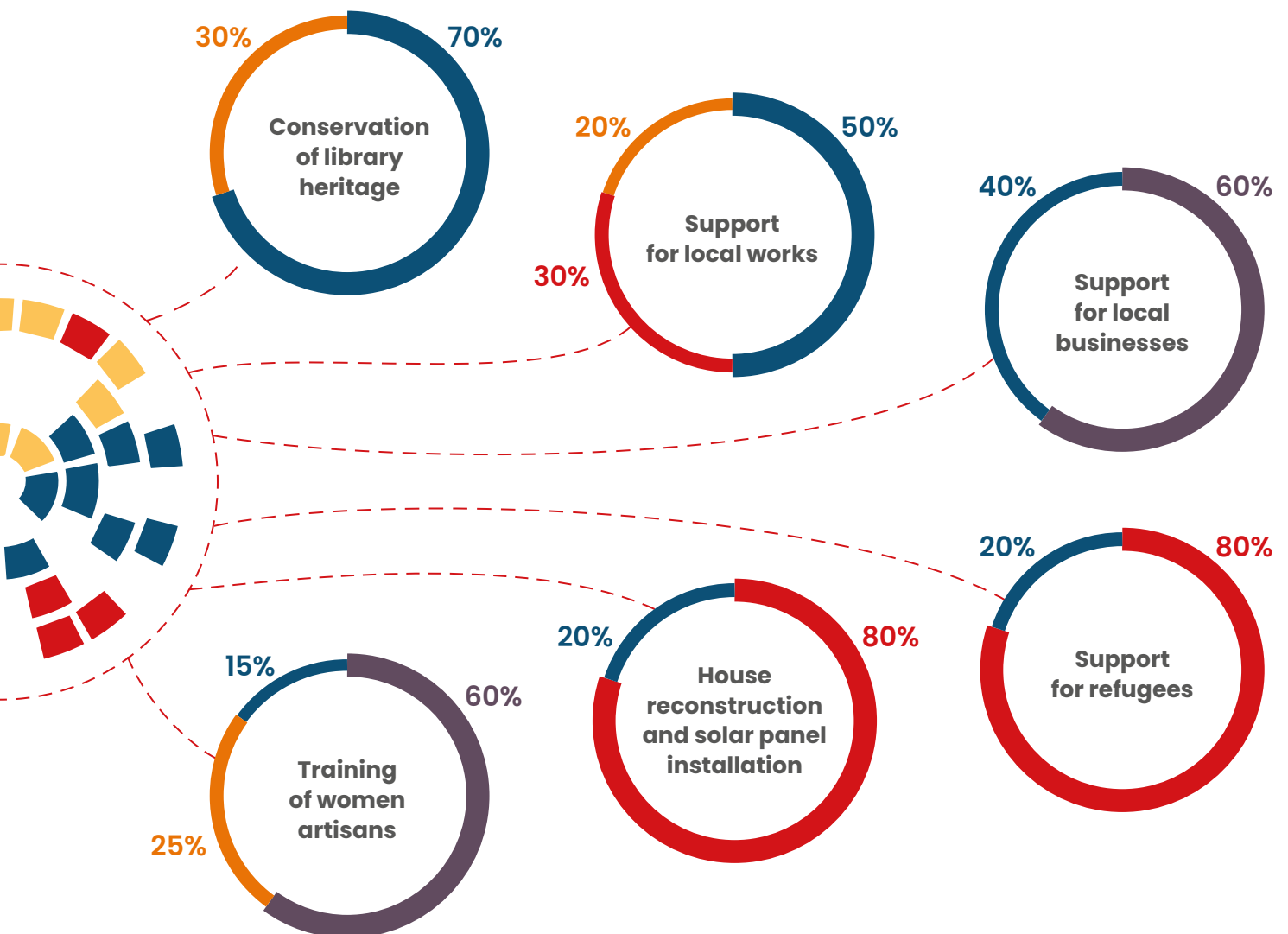
Impact entrepreneurship, in support of local businesses with a view to revitalizing the domestic market.



These four areas, while useful for summarizing the types of interventions we undertake, do not represent strict or inflexible divisions. **Activities on the ground emerge in response to the needs** identified through fieldwork: a project that begins as an effort to preserve a historically important site may,

over time, evolve into educational support for local schools or into a medical assistance initiative, depending on what is needed. As a result, **many projects fall somewhere between one area and another**, encompassing various activities such as:





Conservation and Development



Pro Terra Sancta is committed to **protecting the cultural heritage of the Holy Land**, not only to preserve it and make it accessible to both tourists and locals, but also to **transform it into a driver of development**.

Through **restoration and site conservation projects**, Pro Terra Sancta **trains young specialists** and involves local communities, creating job opportunities and strengthening cultural identity.

The restoration of historical sites thus becomes a means to foster awareness, economic growth, and active participation—**helping local populations build their future by valuing their own history**.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

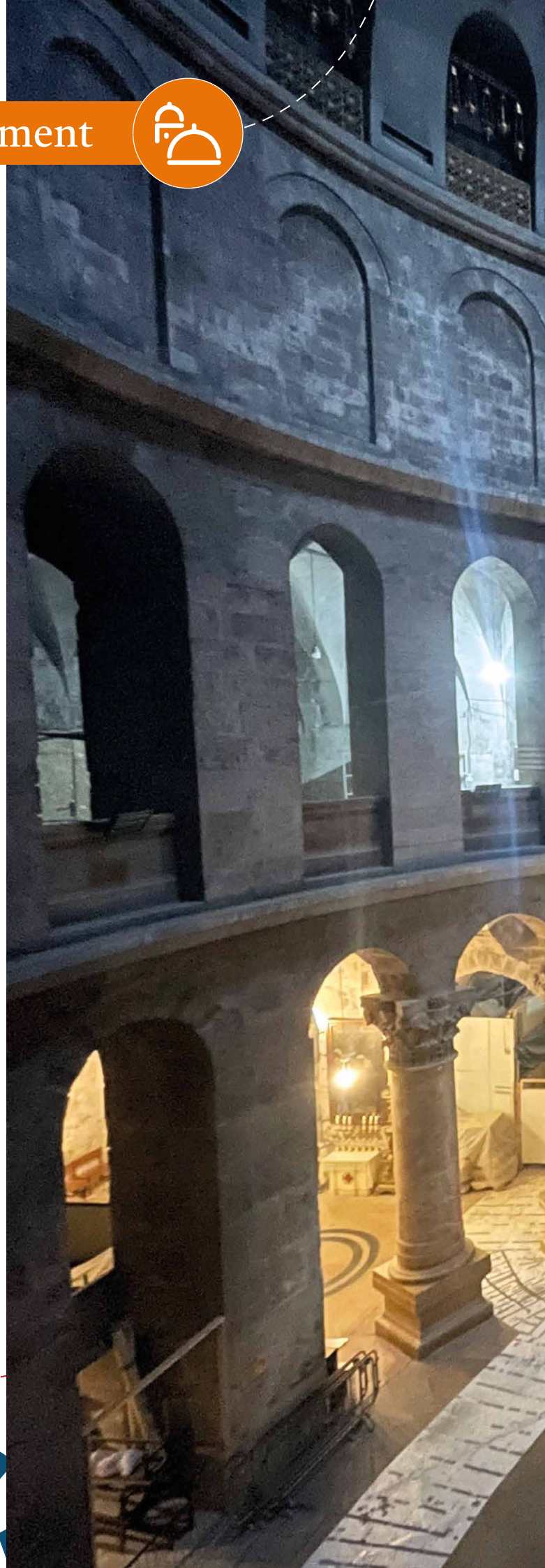


BENEFICIARIES OF CULTURAL HERITAGE CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES

750 Jordan

12,527 Palestine/Israel

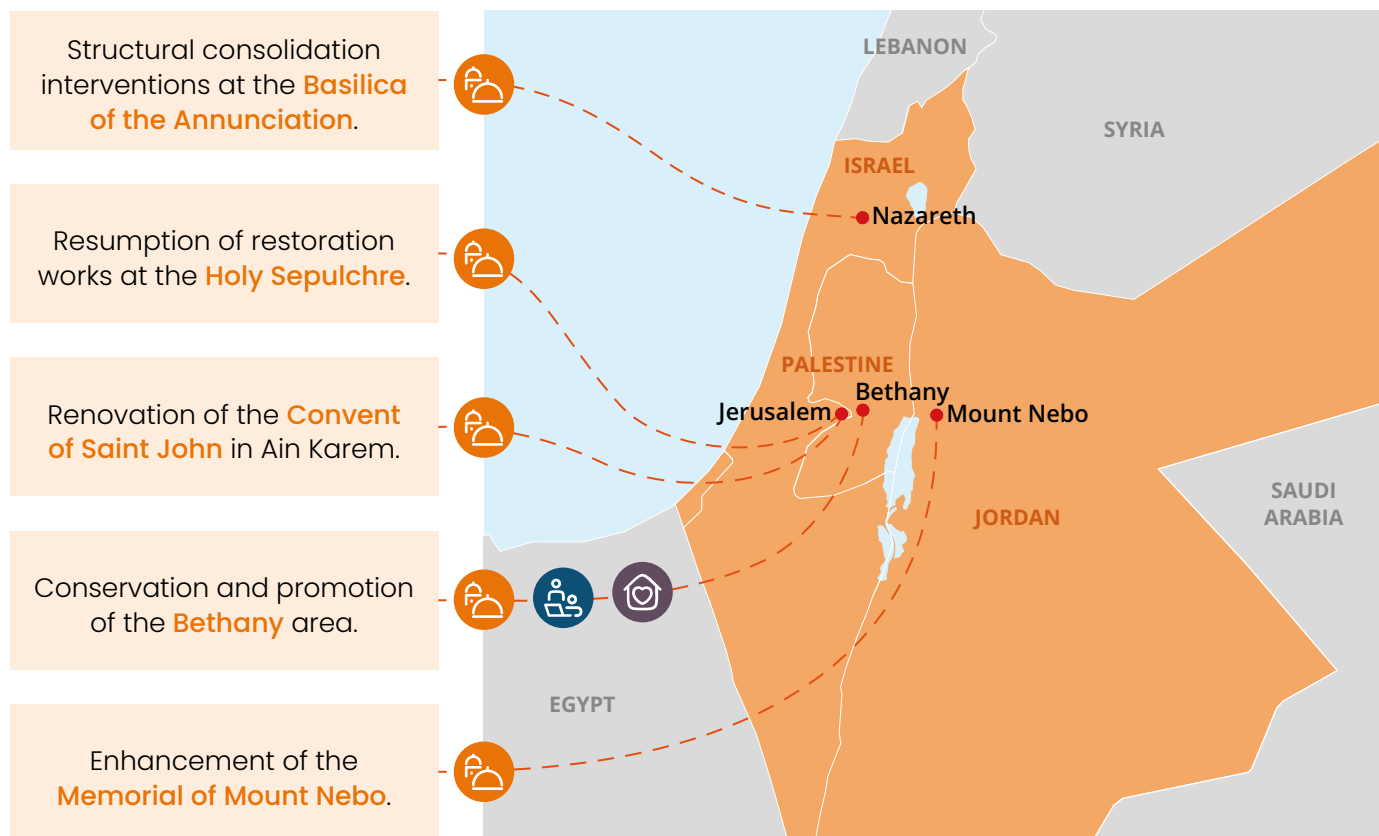
6,000 Syria





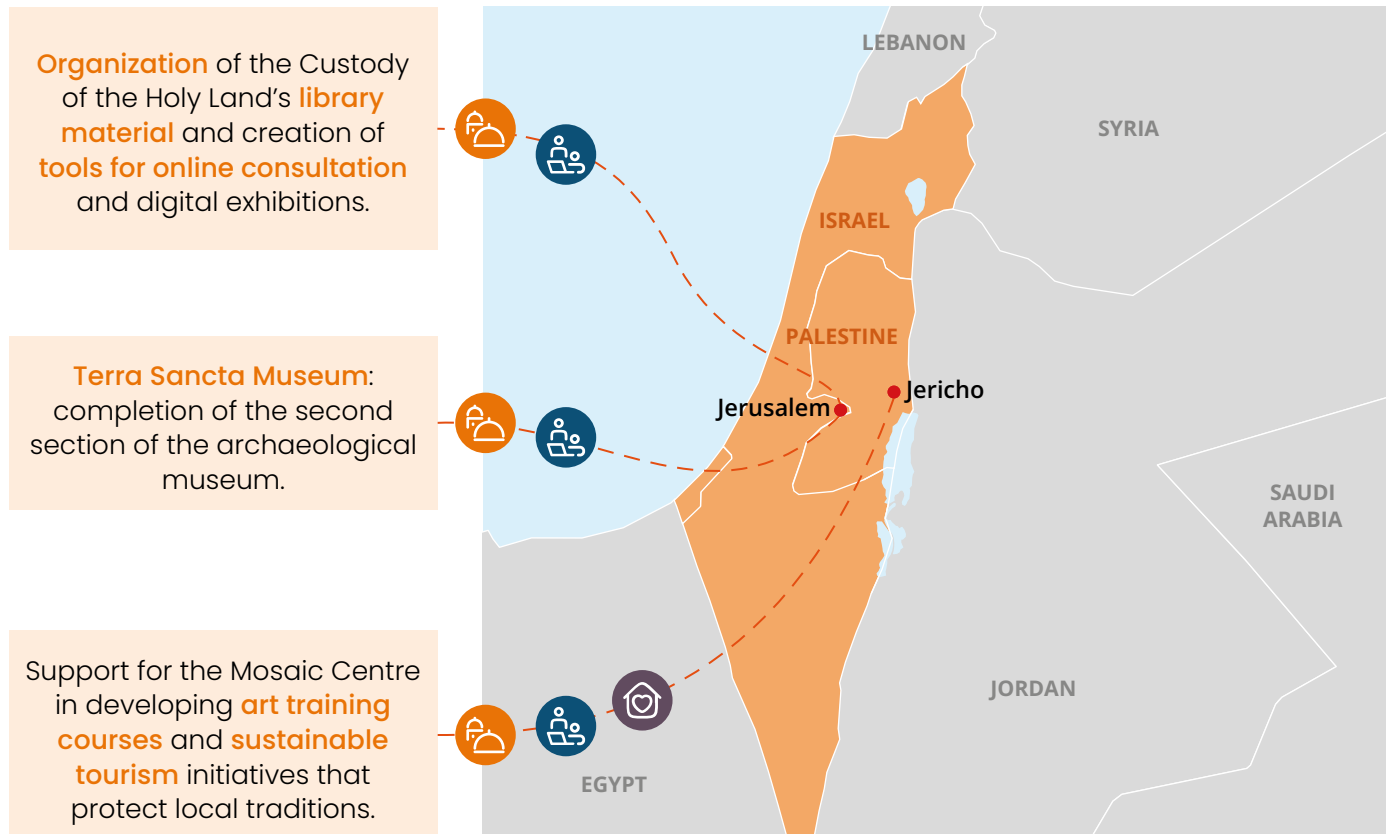
Conservation of the Holy Places

The commitment to **maintaining** and **preserving the Holy Places** has always been a cornerstone of Pro Terra Sancta's work. The goal is to **safeguard** both **the religious message** and the **cultural and historical significance** of these sites, making them accessible to the local community.



Conservation and Enhancement of Local Artistic, Cultural, and Archaeological Heritage

Preserving sites also means **disseminating the knowledge and discoveries made through excavations** and missions. This leads to a broader commitment to enhancing the local cultural heritage, including artistic techniques, artifacts, knowledge, and traditions.



Project Focus: Terra Sancta Museum

Located in the heart of Jerusalem's Old City—a historic crossroads of peoples and religions—the Terra Sancta Museum thrives on this **multicultural** context.

It tells the story and evolution of the Christian presence in the Holy Land through unique **archaeological and artistic collections**. The museum is divided into three sections: multimedia, archaeological, and historical.

Alongside the setup of its exhibition rooms—continuously enriched with new artifacts and objects that bear witness to the many interwoven stories of the

Holy Land—the museum has launched the *Heritage Education Hub for Palestinian Youth* project.

The aim is to create a **safe space for the cultural and identity development** of young Palestinians in East Jerusalem, who often face cultural isolation. This is pursued through **educational and cultural activities connected to the museum's archaeological collection**, directed at students from East Jerusalem schools, their families, and the broader local community.

Main activities carried out:

- setup of exhibition halls and interpretative pathways;
- protection of archaeological artifacts of historical, religious, and cultural significance;
- socio-educational activities for enhancing cultural heritage aimed at local schools and youth: **180 girls and boys from East Jerusalem engaged**.

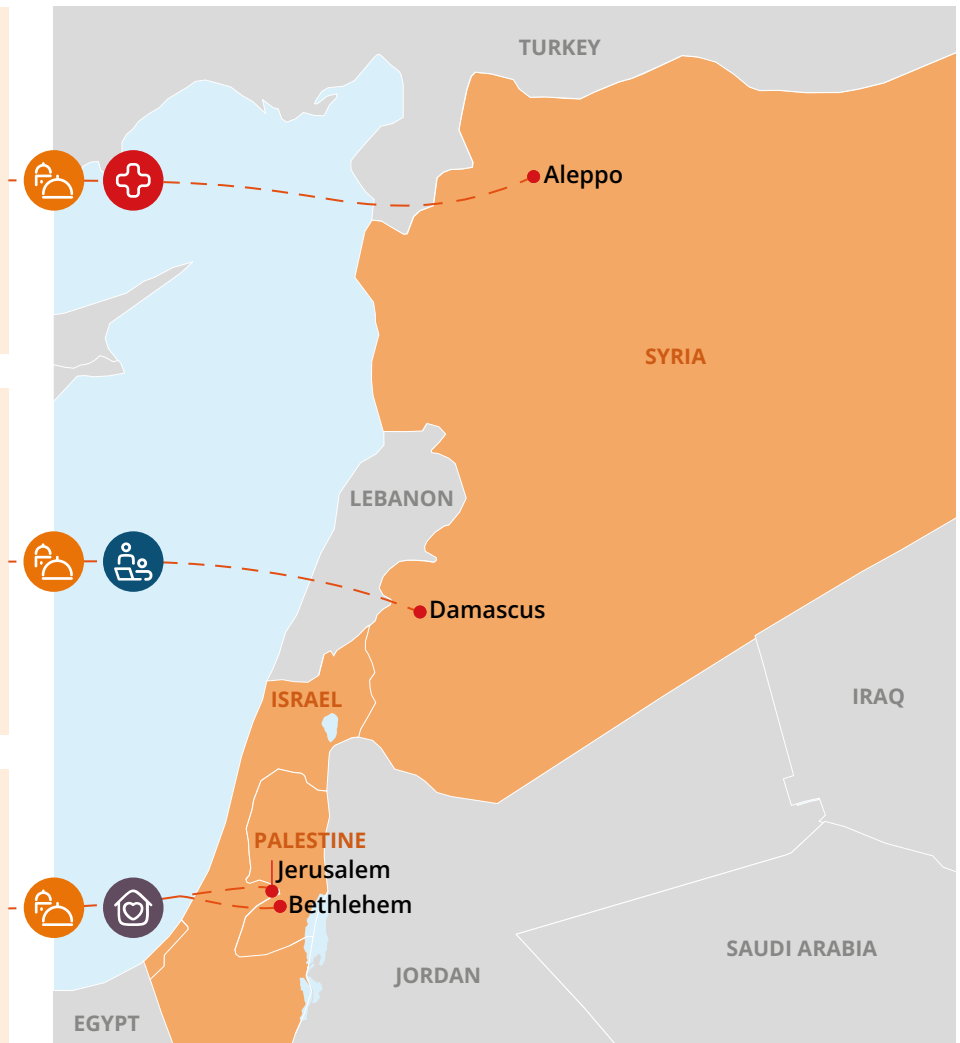
Renovation of Buildings in Areas of Historical and Religious Significance

Some places have historical and religious value that deserves to be highlighted: **renovating homes and places of worship**, not only **improves the well-being of those who live there**, but also enhances the significance of these sites for the entire community.

Repair of the **Church of Saint Barbara** in Aleppo, damaged by the February 2023 earthquake: restoration of walls and plumbing, and installation of electrical systems to support collective and pastoral activities.

Redevelopment of the **Saint Ananias neighborhood** in Damascus **and its sanctuary**: restoration of 7 abandoned homes to create a **Community Center** as a venue for meetings, activities, and local projects.

Renovation of homes owned by the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, which are also used to host **local craft-based entrepreneurial activities**.

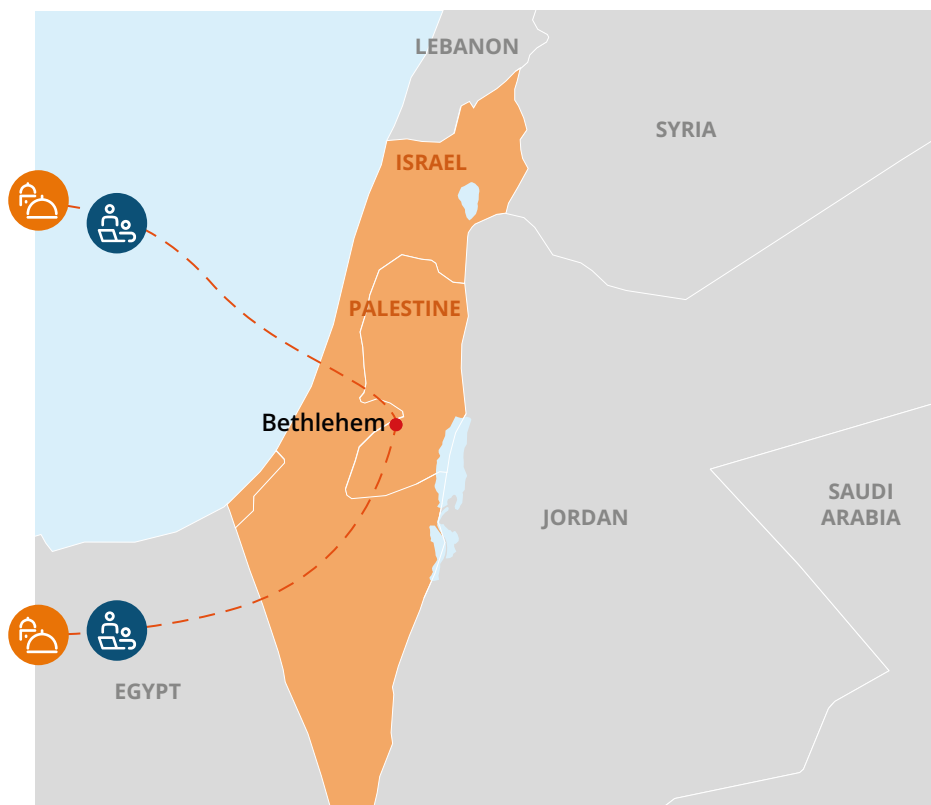


Artistic Activities and Workshops

Integration, community building, and sometimes even **healing take place through art**: art therapy, expressive reading, theater, embroidery, and cooking courses allow local communities to express their emotions and develop their talents.

Beyond the Veil project: with the support of the Italian Bishops' Conference (CEI), **4 workshops** were launched (mosaic, cinema, embroidery, portrait), and an Italian artist together with 5 Palestinian artists created a mural. A total of **109 participants** joined the workshops.

At our **cultural center Dar Al Majus**, we organized **38 workshops** (cooking, creative arts, recycling, storytelling), involving 165 adults, 169 teenagers, and 227 children, in addition to cultural events such as workshops and Open Mic sessions.



Project Focus: Bethany

Since 2016, Pro Terra Sancta has been carrying out **archaeological excavations** and **conservation and enhancement** efforts in Bethany, a place linked to the resurrection of Lazarus and the biblical figures of Martha and Mary. The primary aim of the project is to ensure that **tourism brings tangible benefits to local communities** by creating new job opportunities and helping to alleviate poverty.

The archaeological and conservation work has **made previously inaccessible areas usable and open** to the public. Together with local youth and supporting partners, we are helping to tran-

sform a neglected site into a vibrant space capable of telling its ancient story and supporting its people. Many local stakeholders are involved in various aspects of the project: **the initiative in Bethany is collective in nature**, engaging academics, politicians, religious leaders, students, visitors, and residents in **ongoing dialogue centered on encounter and mutual respect**.

Training of local workers and their involvement in preserving traditional arts—especially through a **women-led entrepreneurship initiative** that provides employment and support to the women of Bethany—is a key

component of the virtuous cycle that this project aims to create and sustain over time.

Main activities carried out:

- training programs for skilled workers to restore archaeological areas;
- educational and experimental archaeology activities for local school children;
- support for local handicrafts and training of women artisans in the production of traditional goods for market sale, in order to support their families;
- promotion of tourist visits to encourage sustainable tourism in the area.

Education and Assistance



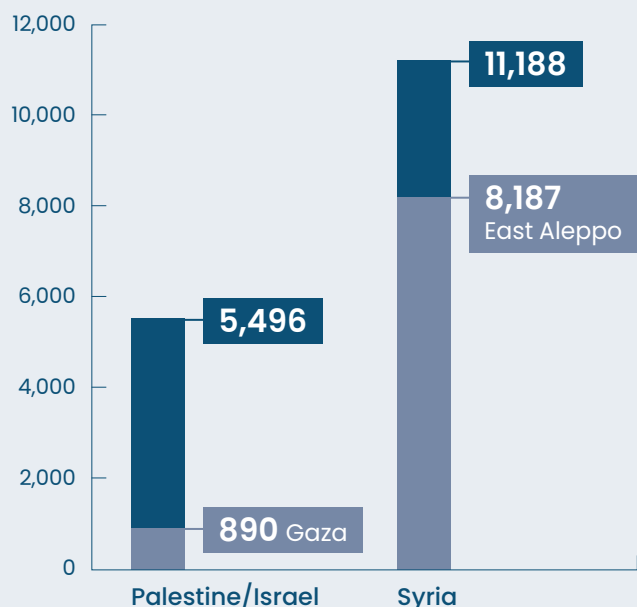
Pro Terra Sancta works in the field of education and assistance in **areas experiencing severe social hardship**, with the goal of supporting the integral development of individuals by strengthening their skills and abilities.

Education is considered an essential tool for **fostering autonomy and personal growth**, as well as for protecting the local cultural heritage.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



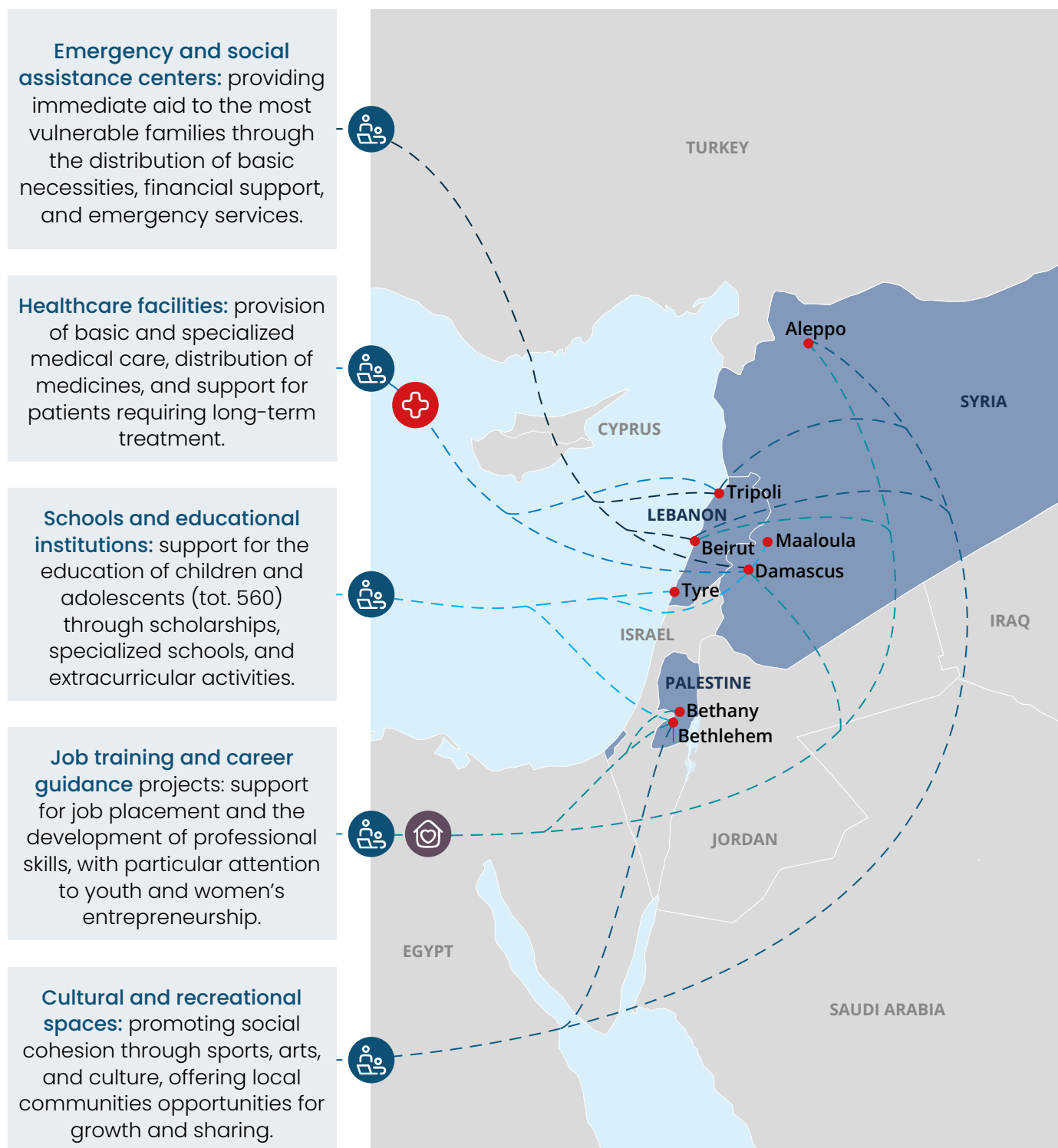
BENEFICIARIES OF EDUCATIONAL AND PSYCHOSOCIAL ACTIVITIES





Support for Local Care Institutions

Collaboration with schools, care centers, religious institutions, and local organizations helps support the most vulnerable communities. Through the strengthening of educational and healthcare facilities, and support for local social and welfare projects, Pro Terra Sancta helps thousands of people in need and contributes to **reinforcing the local social fabric**.



Psychological Support and After-School and Sports Activities

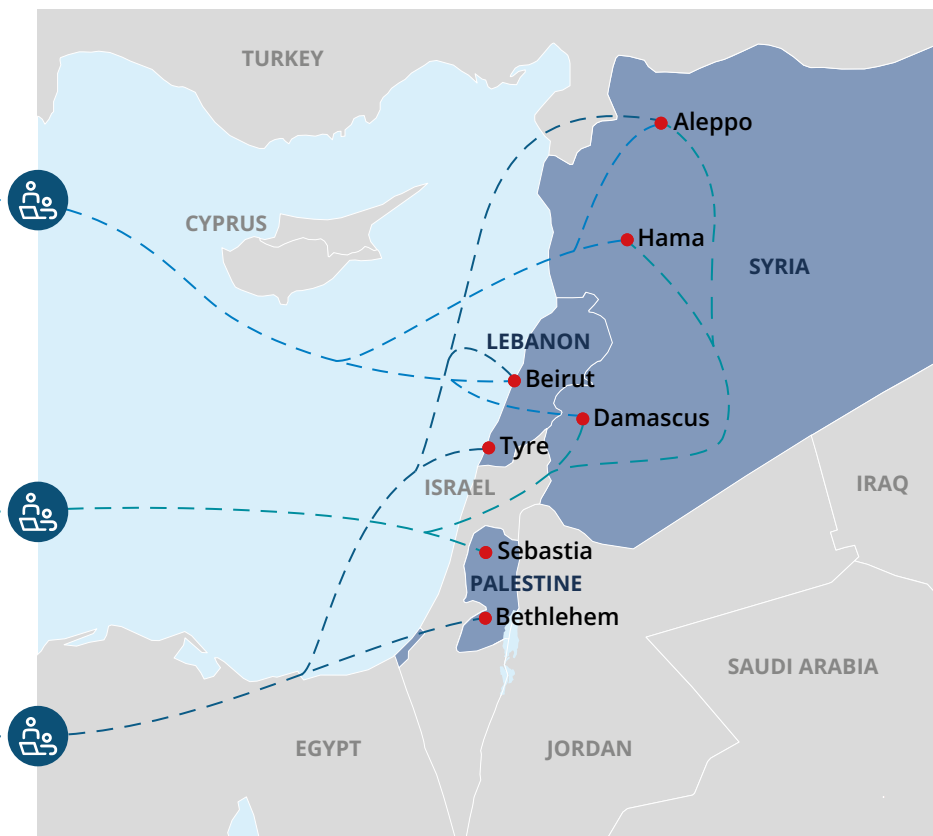
Living in a country constantly at war is dangerous and psychologically exhausting. **Working to improve the lives of communities** in the Holy Land also means creating the right conditions for leisure, peace of mind, and trauma recovery.

Franciscan Care Centre:

psychological rehabilitation centres through individual and group sessions, art therapy, music and psychomotor skills classes, dance and sports for children and adults who grew up amid war and violence. (total beneficiaries: 350 in Syria and 178 in Lebanon).

Organization of **soccer tournaments** for children and youth; this year, there is also a girls' soccer team in Aleppo.

After-school activities to support families who are unable to care for their children or assist with their education outside of school hours.



Project Focus: A Name, a Future

The project *A Name, A Future* **offers a chance for redemption and hope to vulnerable children born from wartime violence in Syria**. These children, often marginalized and without official identity, are denied a dignified life due to the absence of civil registration. The project ensures **access to education**: Pro Terra Sancta's red minibus picks them up from workplaces, and with teachers onboard, educational activities begin. It also guarantees social recognition through official birth registration, restoring their fundamental rights.

Another key focus is **supporting the mothers of these children**—women who have experienced abuse and trauma—by providing **professional training and micro-credit**, helping them build economic and social independence.

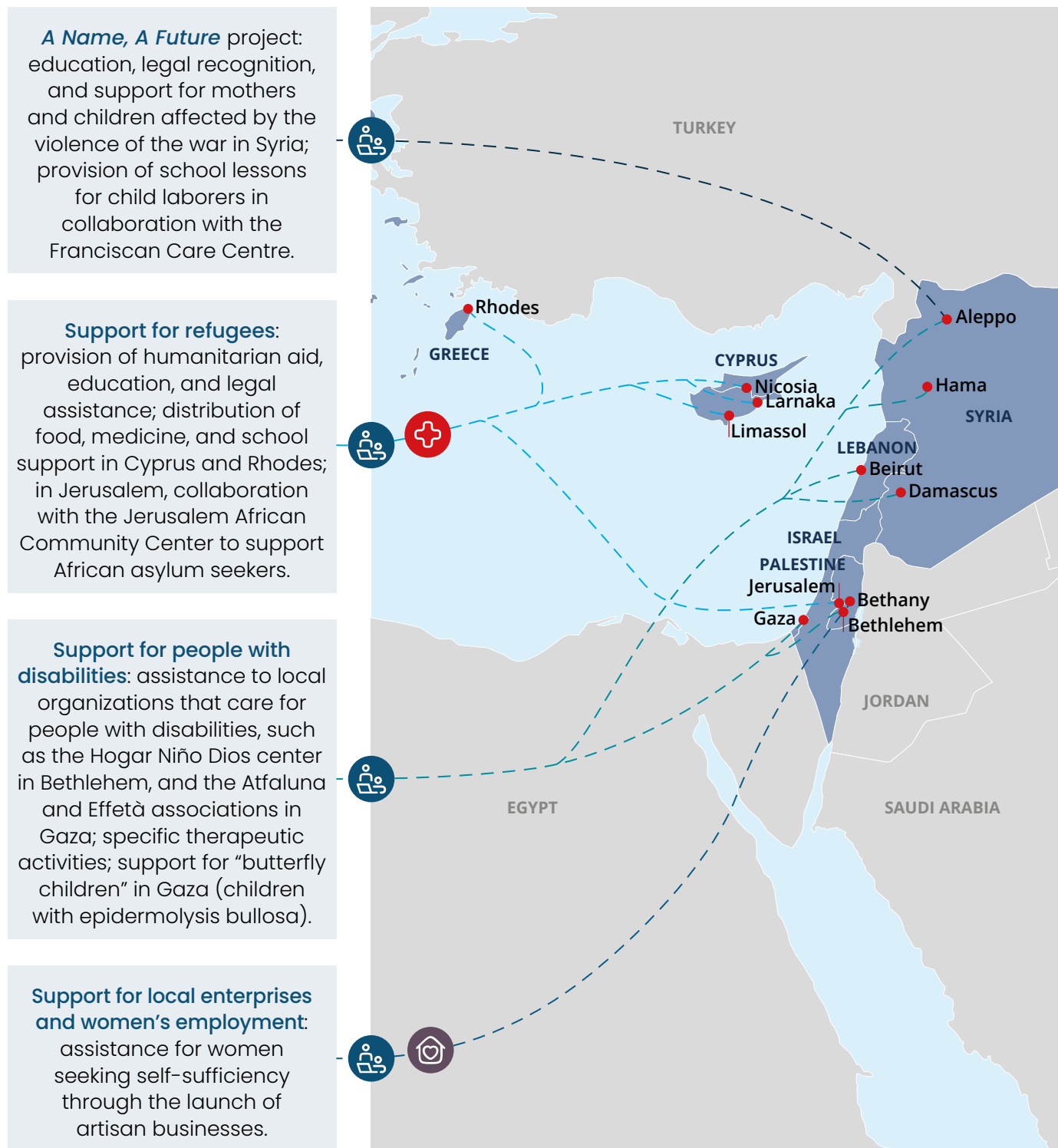
In 2024, various new services and activities were introduced, reaching **over 4,000 beneficiaries** in collaboration with multiple local and international partners: child protection programs, gender-based violence prevention initiatives, English language courses, and medical support services.

Main activities carried out:

- literacy courses;
- basic subject lessons;
- social and legal assistance for children and women in East Aleppo;
- assistance with permits and administrative paperwork;
- professional training courses;
- psychological support sessions integrated with music therapy and art therapy.

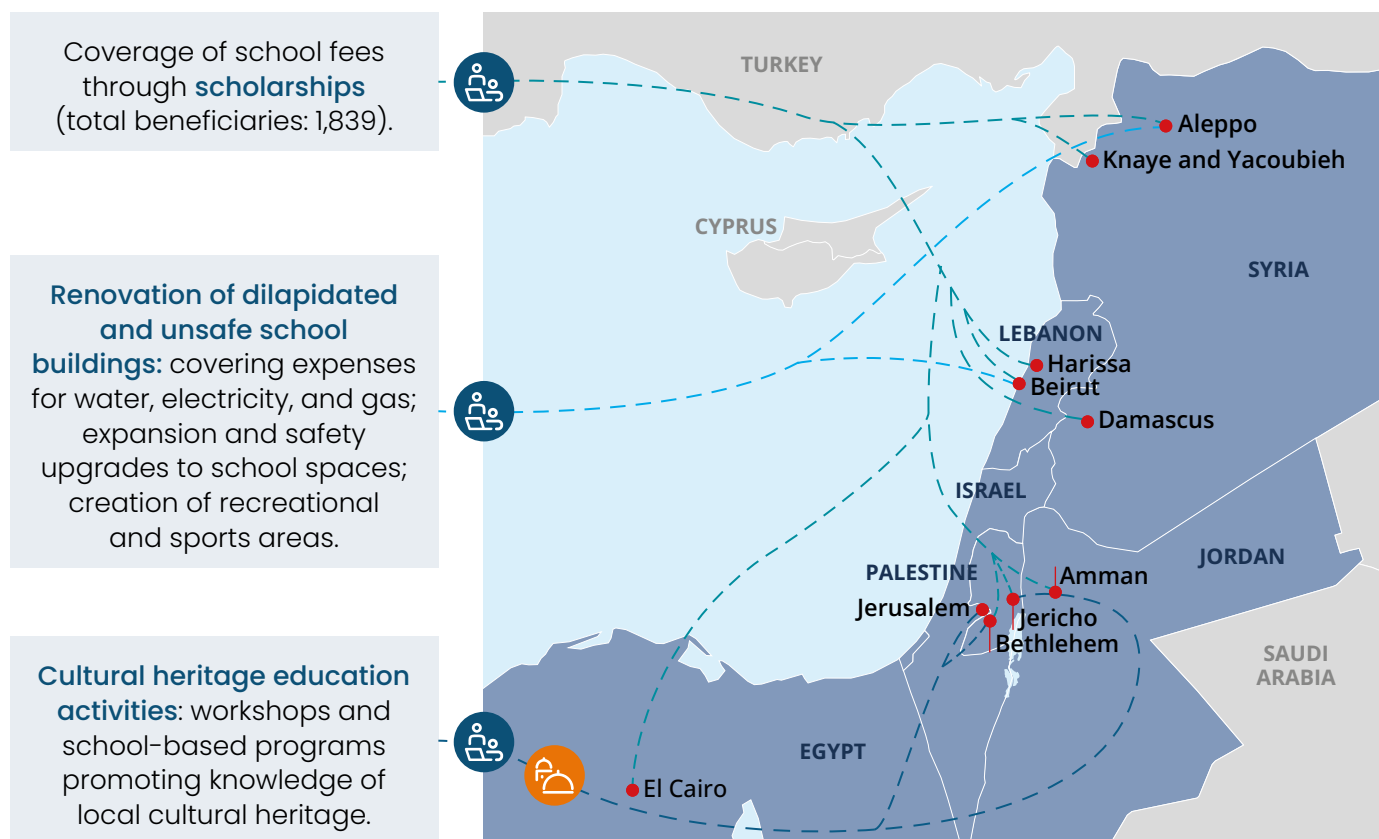
Social Reintegration of Minorities

Through an integrated approach combining education, psychosocial and emergency assistance, and vocational training, **we work toward the social reintegration of minorities and the most vulnerable population groups**, with particular attention to children, women, and people in precarious economic conditions.



Support for Schools

Pro Terra Sancta's commitment to education is reflected in its **support for schools**, helping them stay operational, ensuring safe classrooms, and providing appropriate teaching materials. This support is essential to **guaranteeing the continuity of education** in both public and private institutions in the countries where we operate.



Project Focus: Hogar Niño Dios

Among the many local social and care initiatives supported by Pro Terra Sancta is the Hogar Niño Dios, a **residential center for children and adolescents with severe disabilities**. These are orphans or abandoned children: many come from backgrounds marked by poverty and physical and psychological violence, and many have families who cannot care for them.

Thanks to the collaboration between the Pro Terra Sancta and the Sisters of the Incarnate Word, who run Hogar Niño Dios, several projects were launched in 2024 to improve the living

conditions of the center's residents. Pro Terra Sancta supported the **construction of a new therapeutic pool**, essential for alleviating the pain caused by the children's conditions; helped **open and secure a new facility** to host more children; and **promoted energy sustainability** by installing solar panels at the current location.

A further significant step was the **hiring of a local physiotherapist**, not only to provide specialized care for the children but also to support the professional reintegration of local workers in Bethlehem.

Main activities carried out:

- tailored physiotherapy sessions for each patient's condition;
- medical and psychological support activities;
- renovation and safety improvements to center facilities;
- construction and maintenance of a therapeutic pool;
- building works for the expansion of a new site;
- installation of solar panels for autonomous and sustainable energy;
- professional reintegration of local workers.

Humanitarian Emergency



Humanitarian emergencies in the Middle East—particularly in Lebanon, Syria and Gaza—remain a daily concern.

Through our projects, we aim to **support the population** and **rebuild what has been destroyed** by war or by political, social, and environmental crises in countries such as Syria and Lebanon, in order to promote renewal and the development of civil society.

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DEVELOPMENT GOALS

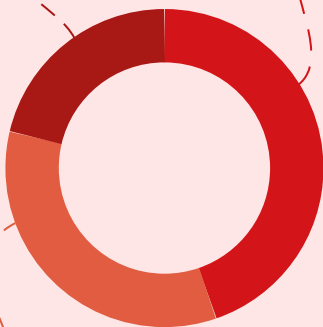


BENEFICIARIES OF ACTIVITIES IN THE HEALTH SECTOR

2,256 Syria

4,774 Lebanon

3,607 Palestine/Israel





Emergency Centers and Support for Families

Through our **emergency centers**, we assist families by providing food, clothing, hygiene products, and powdered milk for infants. We also provide vouchers for diesel fuel used for electricity and heating, as well as psychological support for those experiencing traumatic situations.

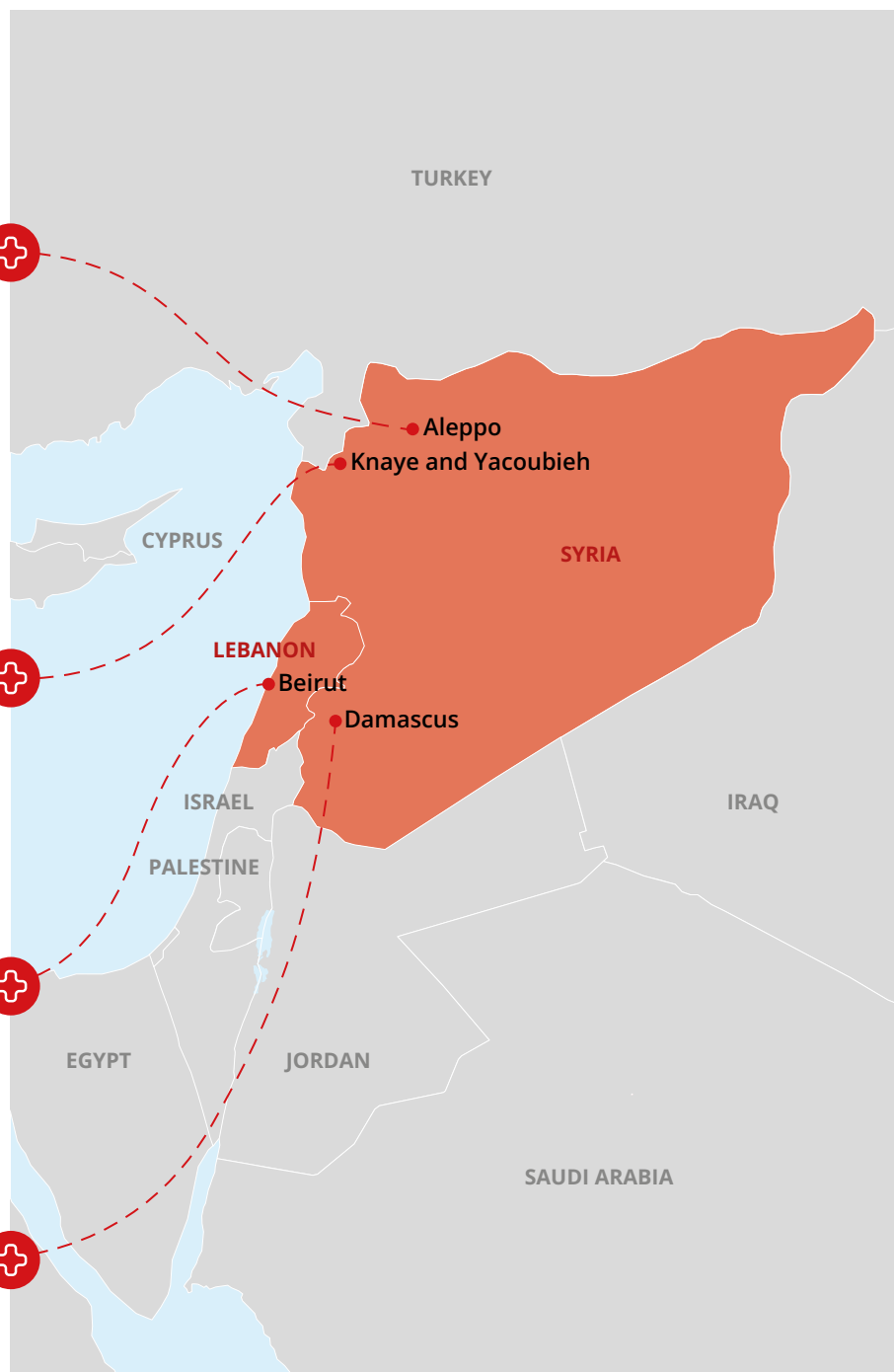
6,000 families receive support through the distribution of food, medical assistance, vouchers for electricity and heating, clothing, hygiene products, and baby supplies (diapers and powdered milk).

The **community kitchen** distributes 1,400 meals per week, totaling approximately 474,000 meals in 2024 and reaching around 16,800 beneficiaries.

The center distributes **essential goods**, including food, clothing, **hygiene products**, food and diesel vouchers, **medicines**, and baby products. More than 250 families receive aid to cover everyday expenses.

Alongside the distribution of essential goods and medicines, a **new gynecology clinic** was opened and appointments are held twice a week.

In 2024, 1,635 people received **food**; 550 received **medicines**; 1,980 people received fuel support for **heating**; and around 300 families received **baby supplies**.



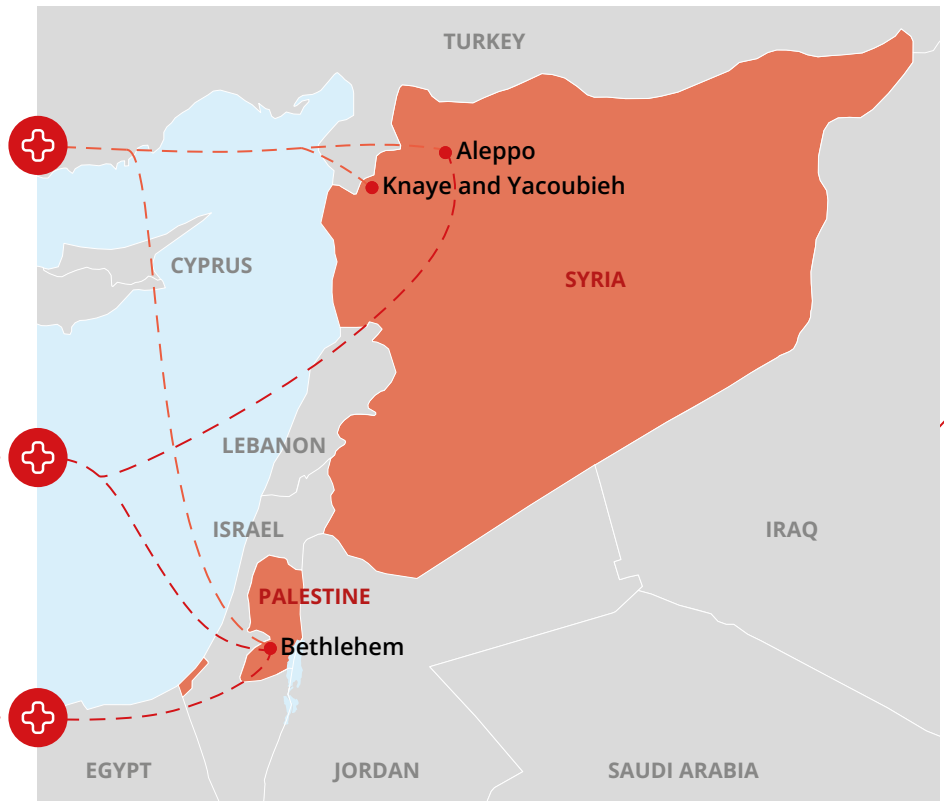
Home Reconstruction and Provision of Essential Goods

Reconstruction efforts go beyond **private homes** to include **spaces** that serve as **community hubs**. Pro Terra Sancta also focuses on filling the voids left by the political instability in Middle Eastern countries—particularly by ensuring daily access to water, electricity, and energy.

Home reconstruction: repair and rebuilding of damaged or destroyed buildings that have become unsafe or uninhabitable (beneficiaries: 468 people, 118 houses repaired).

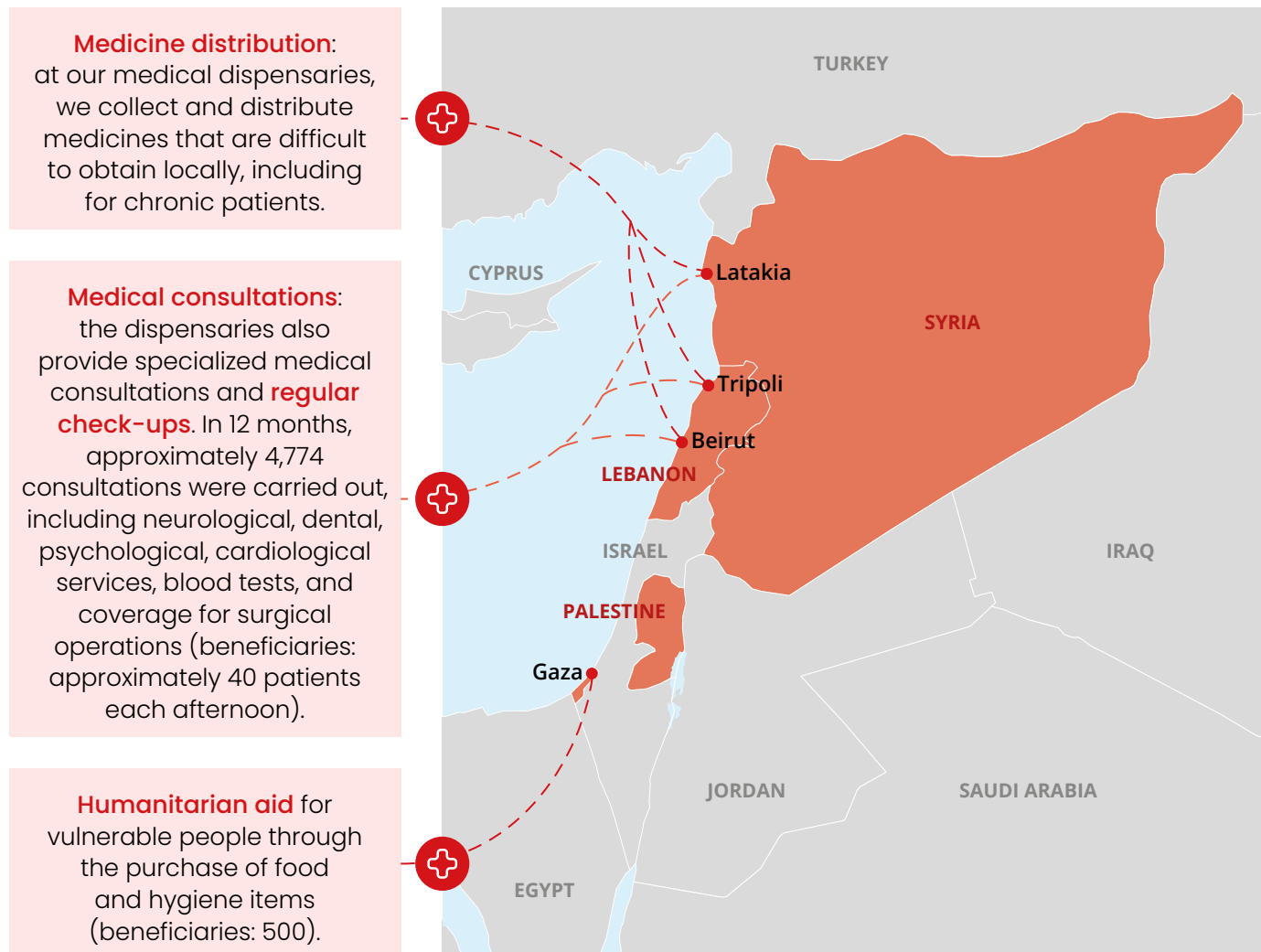
Access to electricity: installation of 101 **photovoltaic systems** on private homes to provide light and hot water for the population.

Addressing the water emergency: installation of 66 **water tanks** to provide daily access to drinking water.



Distribution of Food Packages, Medicines, and Essential Goods

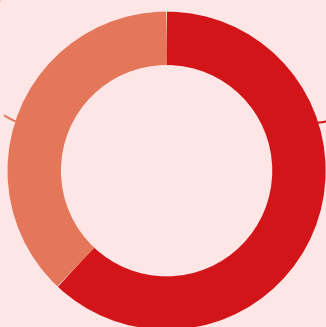
Distribution is essential for providing **medical support** to those in need. The dispensaries ensure access to basic healthcare, partially covering patient costs depending on their situation.



FOCUS: DISTRIBUTION OF BASIC NECESSITIES

17,156 Lebanon

28,063 Syria



Project Focus: Solar Panels

In **Syria**, electricity shortages are a chronic issue: the state supplies only one or two hours of electricity per day, which families must use to complete all essential tasks.

To provide a **long-term solution**, Pro Terra Sancta, with its team of specialized engineers, installs photovoltaic systems—giving priority to families with infants and students, and ensuring them a stable and environmentally friendly energy source.

Each system consists of a **thermal solar panel with a 220-liter tank for the supply of hot water** and a 405-watt photovoltaic solar panel equipped with a 1,200-watt inverter and a 200 Ah battery.

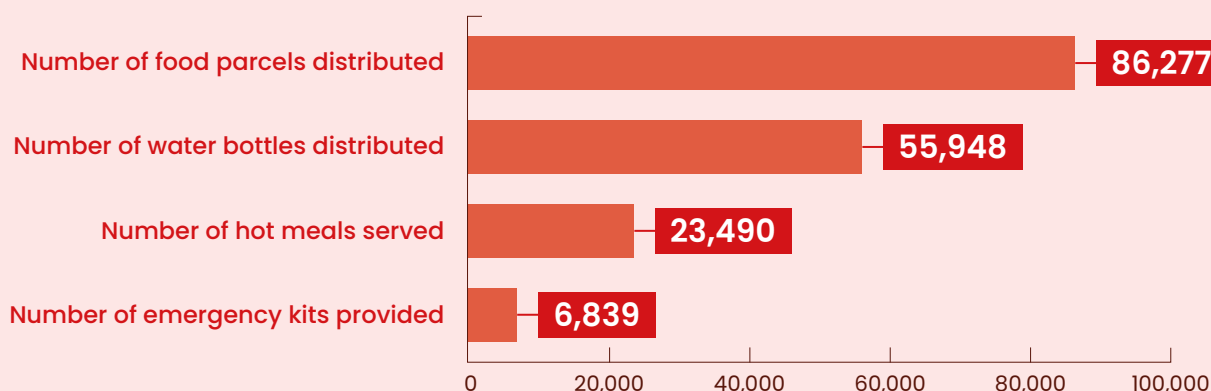
In this way, the emergency response to immediate needs—such as the earthquake that struck the country in February 2023, destroying homes and resources—gradually turns into a **stable support initiative**, giving the Syrian population a renewed sense of independence.

Main activities carried out:

- site visits by the team of specialized engineers;
- needs assessment with beneficiary families;
- installation of photovoltaic systems;
- installation of water tanks;
- regular maintenance of systems;
- ongoing support for any other emerging family needs.



FOCUS: DISTRIBUTIONS DURING THE WAR IN LEBANON

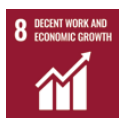


Impact Entrepreneurship



Pro Terra Sancta **supports the launch and growth of local businesses** as a tool for development in the Middle East. These programs greatly enhance the dignity and self-esteem of the young people and families involved, who live in countries marked by war and ongoing violence caused by severe political instability. By supporting small entrepreneurial ventures, Pro Terra Sancta not only helps people build a sustainable future but also **strengthens the social fabric and entrepreneurial culture**, fostering improved community relations. Creating job opportunities means **ensuring autonomy, identity, and hope**—turning aid into a tangible investment in the community.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

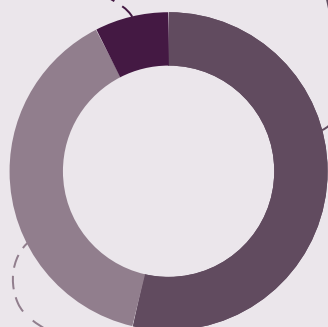


BENEFICIARIES* OF BUSINESS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

345 Lebanon: Beirut

2,484 Syria: Aleppo, East Aleppo, Damascus

1,783 Palestine: Bethlehem, Gaza



*This also includes family members and community members who benefit from the businesses and local market recovery.





Support for Local Businesses

Pro Terra Sancta carries out initiatives to promote entrepreneurship, focusing on sustainable business models that generate positive social and economic impacts in the community. Priority is given to supporting enterprises that provide essential goods and services, in key sectors, and that are able to create job opportunities for the most vulnerable.

Selection and training of **new entrepreneurial ideas** and support for existing businesses.

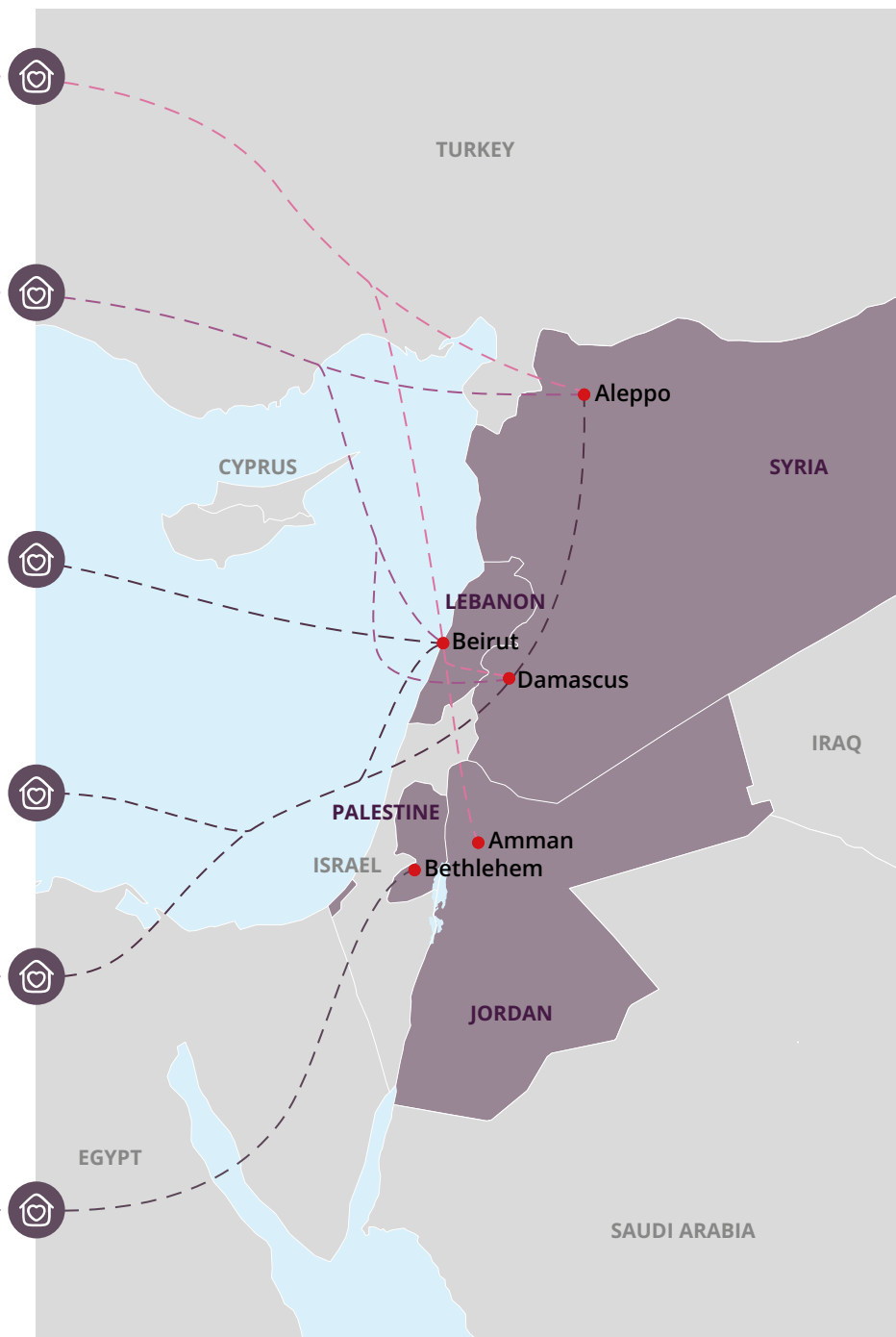
Networking to foster partnerships—both local and international—with potential suppliers, customers, and experts to support business growth.

Mentoring activities involving Italian entrepreneurs and managers who guide local businesspeople in **developing their initiatives sustainably**.

Direct funding of selected and trained enterprises, through a mix of grants and subsidized debt capital.

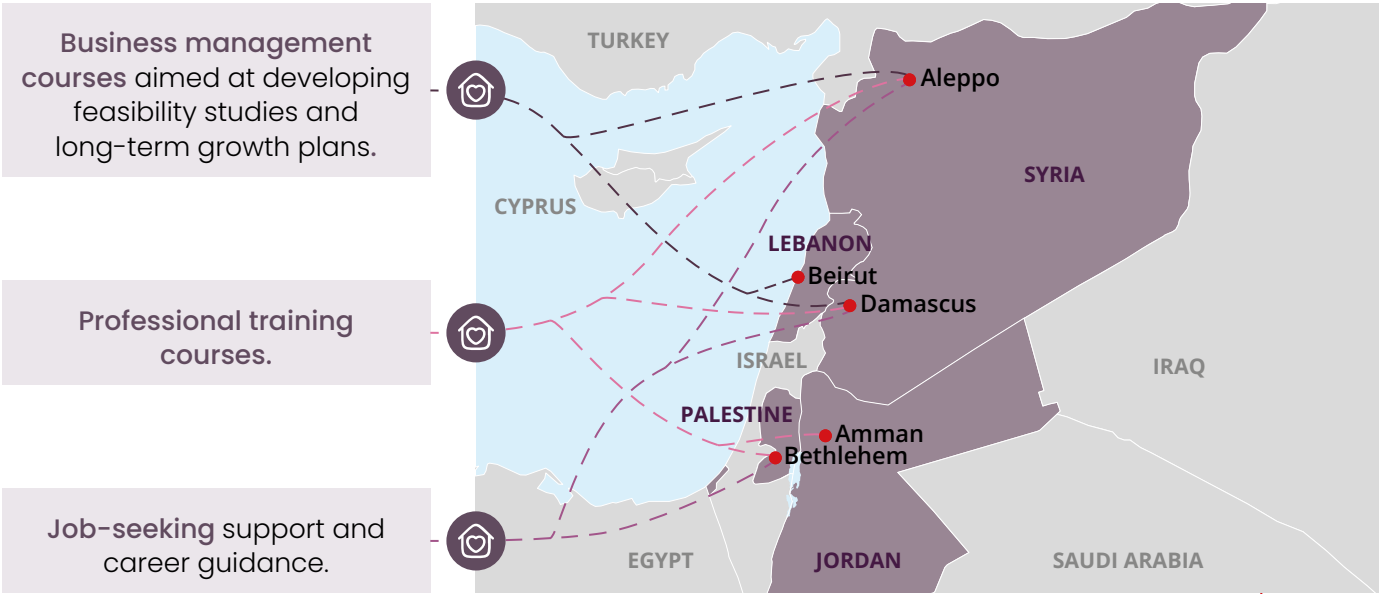
Support in connecting with new investors and securing additional financial resources.

Direct or partner-managed business operations in **sustainable and experiential tourism**, and in high-quality artisanal production (hospitality venues, restaurants, and craft shops).



Training and Job Orientation Courses

Courses for aspiring entrepreneurs focus on business project management and feasibility studies. Pro Terra Sancta also offers professional training courses to help individuals find suitable jobs and become self-sufficient.

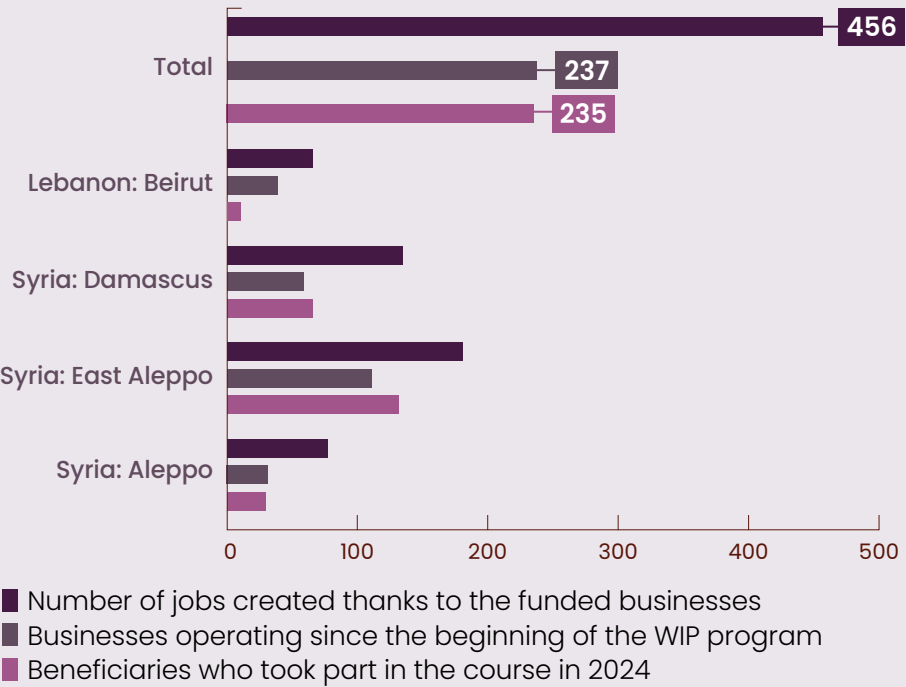


Project Focus: WIP - Work In Progress

Supporting the development of new enterprises in the Middle East means contributing to the local economy and job market. This is the goal of the WIP project, an **opportunity for young people** aged 20 to 40 who have an innovative business idea and wish to pursue it while staying in their home country.

Launched in 2021, WIP has been so successful that it has expanded beyond its initial geographic scope, evolving from a local activity into a **replicable project in multiple countries**. It is now active in Damascus, Aleppo, and Beirut. In 2024, 877 applications were reviewed, **19 projects were selected**, and financial support was provided, consisting primarily of 70% loan and 30% grant.

- Main activities carried out:**
- collaboration with local organizations;
 - mentoring and growth support;
 - temporary suspension of projects for 1–2 months due to recent events, currently in the process of reactivation.



Environmental Impact

In complex contexts devastated by war or unregulated construction, Pro Terra Sancta is committed to preserving and enhancing cultural and natural heritage. The organization operates with a **limited environmental impact** due to the nature of its activities. Consequently, no environmental damage has been caused, no environmental sanctions

have been imposed, and there are no greenhouse gas emissions to report.

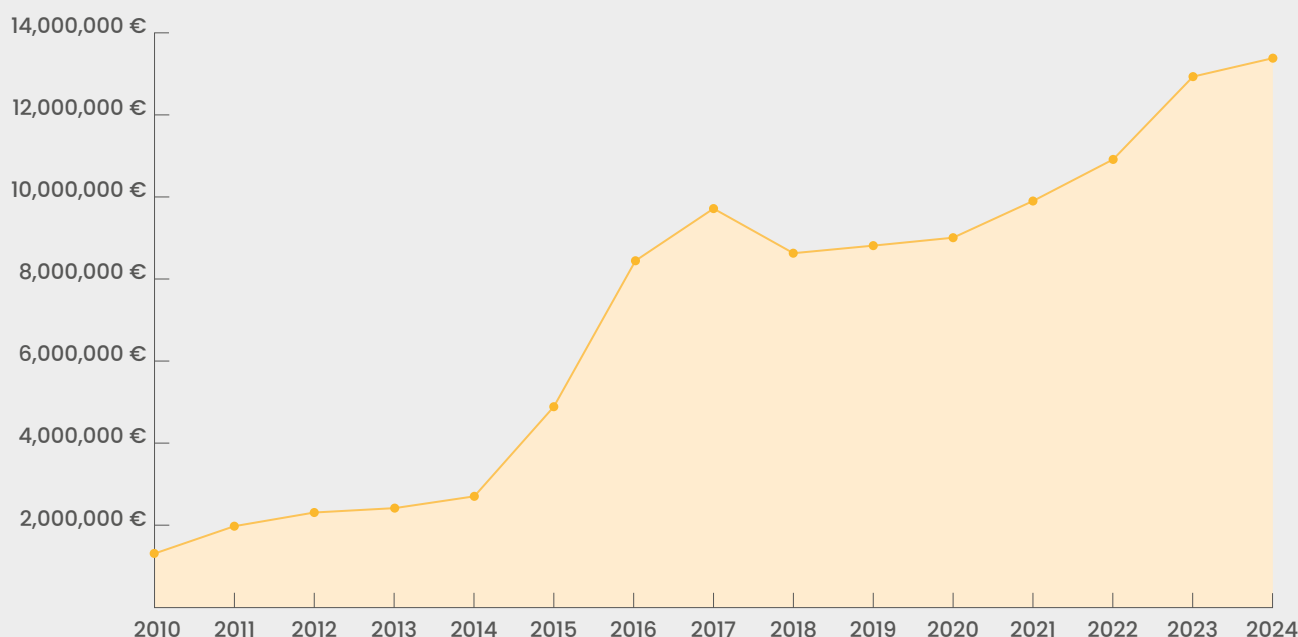
There are also no ongoing legal disputes or controversies in this area. Information regarding meetings of the governing bodies is detailed in the sections dedicated to Statutory Bodies. Based on the above, no additional critical issues are noted.



Consolidated Financial Results

CONTRIBUTIONS COLLECTED 2010–2024

The steady growth in fundraising reflects both the loyalty of our supporters and the increase in their numbers.



The **contributions** we receive from our supporters are directly allocated to our core activities—that is, the projects described in the sections above. Donor communications are conducted in multiple languages, aiming to reach people around the globe.

Our **promotional efforts** target both public and private institutions through participation in calls for proposals, as well as private individuals through printed, digital, and online communication.

Funds received through **institutional public grants** are used strictly as outlined in the original proposals and are subject to reporting and documentation requirements specified by the granting bodies.

Donations from private individuals are used according to the purpose indicated at the time of donation. When no specific purpose is indicated, funds are allocated based on the needs identified in the annual budget and programming process. The results of these activities are communicated through our website and/or in donor acknowledgements.

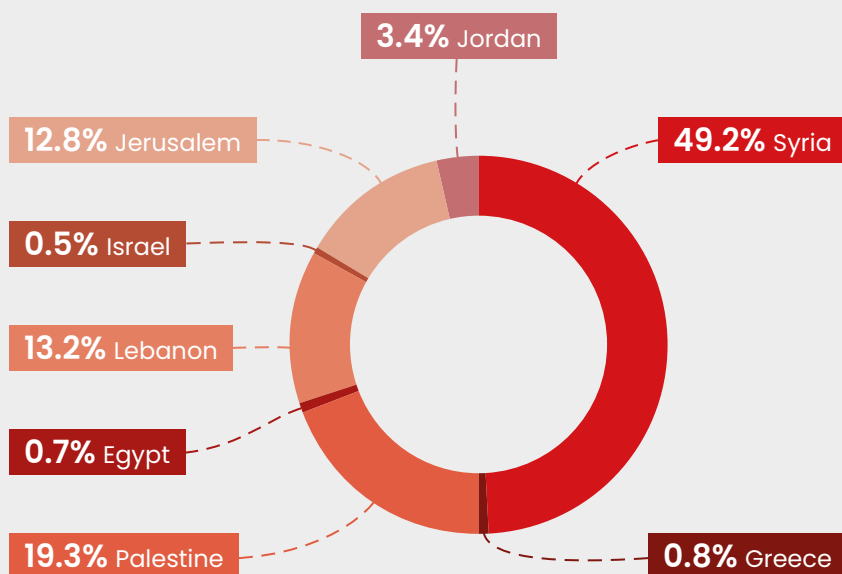
In addition to supporting projects, our **communication efforts** aim to strengthen the connection between our supporters and the Holy Land—central to our mission. Great care is taken in creating content that increases awareness of the Holy Land and its sacred and cultural sites, and provides updates on our ongoing projects and initiatives. In 2024, total income amounted to € 13,392,380. Contributions and grants received came 56% from Italy and 44% from abroad (Germany, Austria, Spain, the United States, Switzerland, etc.).

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1/1 - 31/12

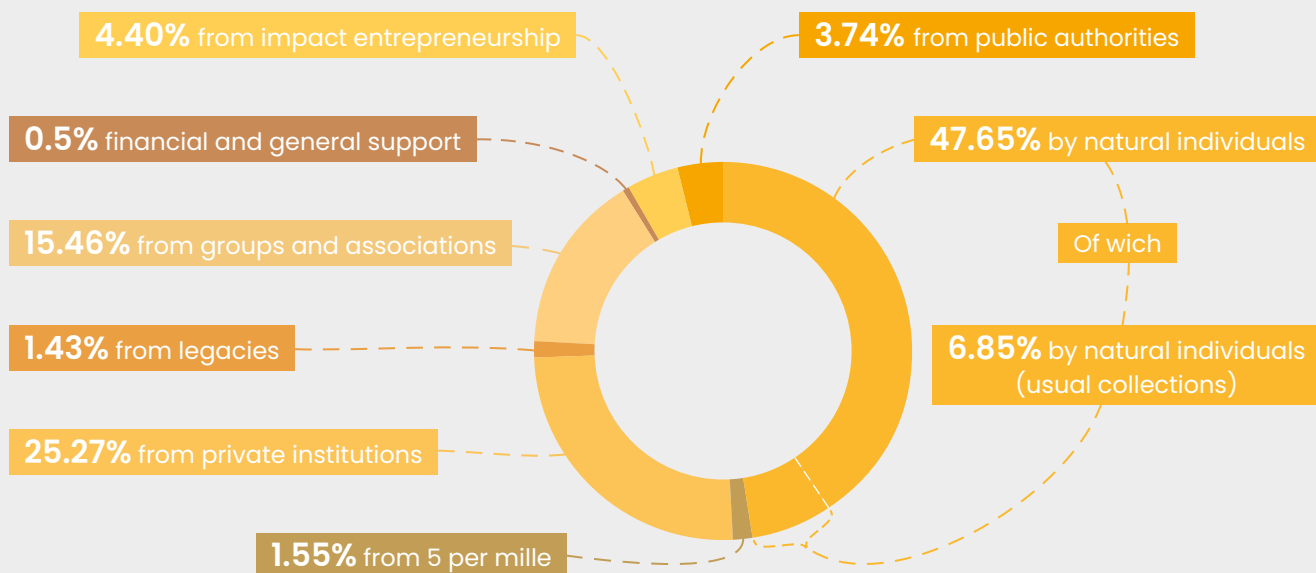
CHARGES AND COSTS	2024	2023
A) Costs and charges from general interest activities		
2) Services		
- contributions to conservation and development projects	1,867,655	2,267,822
- contributions to education projects	4,171,902	3,123,266
- contributions to emergency projects	3,264,786	3,837,484
- contributions in support of social-entrepreneurial activities	633,157	908,172
- charges from ordinary promotional activities	981,404	1,133,199
3) Use of third-party assets	-	-
4) Staff	405,988	369,661
5) Deprecation	-	-
6) Provisions for risks and charges	-	-
7) Other operating expenses	2,832	3,121
Total	11,327,724	11,642,725
C) Costs and charges from fundraising activities		
1) Costs of regular fundraising activities	225,861	269,773
Total	225,861	269,773
D) Costs and charges from financial and asset management activities		
1) From banking relationship	19,319	-
2) From loans	-	-
Total	19,319	-
E) General support costs and expenses		
1) Raw, materials of consumptions and subsidiary, goods	14,180	13,444
2) Services	161,771	144,390
3) Use of property third parts	30,000	30,000
4) Staff	122,600	130,297
5) Deprecation	32,672	32,672
6) Provisions for risks and charges	-	-
7) Other charges	6,294	5,104
Total	367,517	355,907
Total charges and costs	11,940,421	12,268,405

INCOME AND REVENUE	2024	2023
A) Revenue, income and proceeds from general interest activities		
4) Donations		
- contributions from individuals	5,464,408	3,565,938
- contributions from legacies	191,677	423,993
5) Proceeds from 5 per mille	208,171	227,913
6) Contributions from private subjects	-	-
- from groups and associations	2,070,958	2,633,826
- from private institutions	3,384,528	3,458,236
7) Revenues for services and supplies to third parties	-	-
8) Contributions from public institutions	500,895	640,288
9) Proceeds from contracts with public entities	-	-
10) Other revenue, income, and proceeds	588,025	1,019,844
Total	12,408,661	11,970,038
<i>Surplus/deficit from general interest activities (+/-)</i>	<i>1,080,937</i>	<i>327,313</i>
C) Revenue, income, and proceeds from fundraising activities		
1) Income from regular fundraising activities	917,194	892,965
Total	917,194	892,965
<i>Surplus/deficit from fundraising activities (+/-)</i>	<i>691,333</i>	<i>623,192</i>
D) Revenue, income, and proceeds from financial and asset activities		
1) From banking relationship	15,337	43,282
2) From other financial investments	48,236	12,760
Total	63,573	56,042
<i>Surplus/deficit from financial and asset activities (+/-)</i>	<i>44,254</i>	<i>56,042</i>
E) General support income		
1) Proceeds from staff	-	-
2) Others proceeds of general support	-	-
- other proceeds (tax credits)	-	1,399
- other proceeds (contingent assets)	2,952	5,320
Total	2,952	6,719
Total income and revenue	13,392,380	12,925,764
<i>Surplus/deficit for the year</i>	<i>1,451,959</i>	<i>657,359</i>

PROJECT ALLOCATIONS BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREA



THE COMPOSITION OF REVENUE



Letter from the Custos

**Dear Friends and Benefactors of the Association
Pro Terra Sancta,
Peace and Good from the Holy City!**

I would like to reach out to you today through these few lines to express, in my own name, in the name of the friars of the Custody, and of all the communities we serve in the Holy Land, our **sincerest and deepest gratitude for your generous closeness** and precious support shown throughout 2024.

Your help has been a tangible sign of hope and charity, a light that has allowed the Association Pro Terra Sancta to continue carrying out its mission alongside the "living stones" of this land: the people and families who live here, study, work, and have been keeping the Christian faith alive for two thousand years. Thanks to you, we have been able to support educational, social, emergency, and preservation projects for the Holy Places, offering concrete assistance and spiritual comfort.



We are living in a particularly complex and painful time for the Middle East. Tensions, suffering, and uncertainty deeply mark the daily lives of our communities. In such a difficult context, your friendship and solidarity are even more valuable. They remind us that we are not alone and encourage us to persevere in our service, bearing witness to Christ's charity precisely where He lived, died, and rose again.

And it is from here, from Jerusalem, the heart of our faith, that I wish to send you a message that goes beyond the present difficulties. Every day, as we gaze upon the empty Holy Sepulchre, we are renewed in hope. It reminds us that **God's love is stronger than every division**, every suffering, and even death itself. It is the hope of the Resurrection that animates us and urges us to continue sowing peace, justice, and reconciliation, even when the journey becomes difficult.

Renewing our heartfelt gratitude for all you have done in 2024, I assure you of our constant remembrance in prayer at the Holy Places. May the Risen Lord fill your hearts with His peace and reward you for your generosity.

With fraternal gratitude and a special blessing from the Holy Sepulchre,

Fr. Francesco Patton
Custos of the Holy Land



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ASSOCIATION PRO TERRA SANCTA ONG ETS

LEGAL NATURE OF THE ASSOCIATION

Associazione Pro Terra Sancta ONG ETS

Registered office: Via Matteo Boiardo 16 – Rome

Operational headquarters: Piazza Sant'Angelo 2 – Milan

Associazione Pro Terra Sancta is a non-governmental organization (pursuant to Article 28 of Law no. 49/1987), recognized by Ministerial Decree no. 2006/337/001504/0 dated 12.04.2006.

It is listed among the non-profit organizations (pursuant to Article 26, paragraphs 2 and 3 of Law no. 125/2014 and Article 17 of Ministerial Decree 113/2015) by Decree no. 2016/337/000140/4 of 04.04.2016.

In 2019, we updated our bylaws in accordance with the Third Sector Code in preparation for registration in the Third Sector Single National Register (RUNTS), established in November 2021.

The Association was originally granted legal personality through the recognition issued by the Prefecture of Rome on October 19, 2015, under no. 1110/2015.

As a non-governmental organization, the Association was registered—until January 22, 2025—in the ONLUS (Non-Profit Organization) Registry of the Lazio Region under the category “NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS prior to Law no. 125 of 2014.”

Given the RUNTS had already been established, and in light of the Ministerial Decree of September 15, 2020, which, under Article 34(2), required the Italian Revenue Agency to update the ONLUS Registry as of the day before the launch of RUNTS and communicate it to RUNTS itself, the Association initially deemed it consistent with the unclear legal framework not to proceed with registration in RUNTS before the above-mentioned list was made available.

According to the press release of March 29, 2022 from the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies, this list was eventually transmitted by the Revenue Agency to RUNTS.

Within this context, it is important to note that Article 34(3) of the Decree specified:

“Each organization included in the list referred to in paragraph 2, in order to complete its registration in RUNTS, shall submit a formal application to the competent local RUNTS office, using the forms available on the RUNTS Portal, from the date of publication referred to in paragraph 2 and until March 31 of the tax year following the authorization by the European Commission referred to in Article 101(10) of Legislative Decree no. 117 of July 3, 2017.”

In 2024, despite the fact that the European Commission's authorization had not yet been received, the Association decided to proceed with the registration in RUNTS. The authorization was in fact received shortly thereafter, in early 2025, as per the communication dated March 8, 2025 from the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies.

On November 18, 2024, the Assembly of Members met with the agenda item “Amendment of Article 7.1 of the Bylaws to comply with the Third Sector reform,” providing for a Board of Directors composed of five to seven members.

Following the resolution to amend the bylaws, pursuant to Article 22(4) of the Third Sector Code, the President certified that, as the Association holds legal personality, its net assets as of September 30, 2024 amounted to €4,121,927.00, as confirmed by a valuation report prepared by statutory auditor Dr. Giovanna Rita, registered in the appropriate register and sworn before a notary in minutes no. 27935 of November 18, 2024. The report stated:

“In compliance with Article 22(4) of Legislative Decree no. 117/17, it is certified that, as of September 30, 2024, the total value of the assets of Associazione Pro Terra Sancta is at least equal to € 15,000.00 and to € 43,919.00 recorded in the financial state-

ments as the Endowment Fund, and is therefore sufficient for recognition of legal personality as required for Third Sector associations seeking registration with RUNTS.”

Consequently, the notary proceeded with the necessary filing with RUNTS, which, by Resolution No. G00758 of January 22, 2025 – Proposal No. 2488 of January 22, 2025, resulted in the registration of the entity “ASSOCIAZIONE DI TERRA SANTA or ASSOCIAZIONE PRO TERRA SANCTA or ATS PRO TERRA SANCTA” (rep. no. 140893, tax code 97275880587) in the section “OTHER THIRD SECTOR ENTITIES” of the Third Sector Single National Register, pursuant to Article 22 of Legislative Decree no. 117 of July 3, 2017 and Article 17 of Ministerial Decree no. 106 of 15/09/2020.

For completeness, regarding the period during which the Association remained registered in the ONLUS Registry, we note that Article 9(6) of Decree-Law no. 228/21 provided that ONLUS organizations listed in the relevant Registry would continue to receive the 5x1000 share of personal income tax (IRPEF) under the same rules applicable to volunteer organizations, as per the Prime Ministerial Decree of July 23, 2020, until December 31, 2023, and further extended to 2024, pursuant to Article 17-bis of Decree-Law no. 145/2023.

We operate in areas and for populations in developing countries, countries with economies in transition, and in any countries affected by hardship or emergencies.

In particular, we carry out our activities in the Middle East, in the following countries: Syria, Lebanon, Palestine, Israel, Jordan, Egypt, and Greece.

We pursue civic, solidarity, and social goals through the following statutory activities (in line with Article 5 of Legislative Decree no. 117/2017), also consistent with ONLUS regulations (Legislative Decree no. 460/1997):

- a) Development cooperation;
- b) Charity;
- c) Protection and promotion of cultural heritage;
- d) Promotion and protection of human, civil, social, and political rights;
- e) Education, instruction, and vocational training;
- f) Organization and management of tourism activities of social, cultural, or religious interest;
- g) Organization and management of cultural activities;
- h) Fair trade programs, ethical and social finance, and micro credit initiatives;
- i) Sponsorship of children or individuals from a distance.

Organizational Structure and Staff

We operate in the Middle East alongside the Franciscan presence of the Custody of the Holy Land.

Our teams in Italy and abroad share a mission to promote development initiatives in the Middle East and support local populations with a view toward dialogue and peace.

Italian staff: 17 people total – 13 employees, 3 collaborators, and 1 intern.

Focus on Employees

Type of contract: permanent employment; 4 part-time and 9 full-time employees; 10 women and 3 men; 2 under the age of 30, 6 between 30 and 40, and 5 over the age of 40—all university graduates.

All employees are hired under the National Collective Labor Agreement for the Commerce sector. The wage gap between workers, as per Article 16 of Legislative Decree No. 117/17, does not exceed a ratio of one to eight. Furthermore, salaries do not exceed by more than 40% those stipulated by the National Collective Labor Agreement for the same roles.

Our staff abroad consists of 36 collaborators (31 under local contracts and 5 with project-based collaboration agreements). Additionally, 41 volunteers from Italy supported our field projects for varying lengths of time (19 in Palestine, 5 in Syria, 10 in Lebanon, and 7 in Egypt). Among them, 4 young women (in Jerusa-

lem) and 3 young men (in Bethlehem) were part of the Universal Civil Service project promoted by the Department for Youth Policies and the Universal Civil Service of the Italian Government. It is important to reiterate that the Association operates through close collaboration with Pro Terra Sancta Network APS, registered in the Third Sector Single National Register with decree dated 28/11/2022, General Collection No. 8621, File No. 8.5/2022/229, which supports numerous projects with its own contributions.

Training Activities

In 2024, the staff at our Milan office continued their safety training in compliance with Legislative Decree 81/2008. Two employees participated in a 4-hour theoretical-practical refresher course for "Company First Aid Officer" for Group B companies, as per the decree of July 15, 2003 – No. 388 of the Ministry of Health, held by the Italian Red Cross – Milan Committee.

All staff took part in a workshop titled "Between Earth and Sky: A Journey into the Music of J.S. Bach as a Means of Preserving Humanity and Transcendence", led by Prof. Dario Benatti (professor at the Catholic University of Milan and Pro Terra Sancta volunteer for music therapy projects in Syria and Lebanon).

In addition, two internal sessions were organized to deepen knowledge of the historical/political context of the countries where Pro Terra Sancta operates: one focused on Syria and Lebanon, and one on Palestine. Finally, the digital marketing team followed year-round refresher courses on social media and email marketing.

STATUTORY AND SUPERVISORY BODIES

General Assembly

The assembly is composed of 16 members, both religious and lay (2 new members were admitted during 2024).

Among its most important responsibilities, the Assembly deliberates on the Association's program and activities, approves the financial statements, decides on the composition of the various social bodies, and rules on the admission and exclusion of members. It also deliberates on matters assigned to its competence by law and the Statute. Furthermore, the Assembly has authority over statutory amendments, extraordinary operations, dissolution, and the allocation of assets.

According to Article 5.4 of the Statute, the Assembly must convene at least once a year to approve the financial statements and whenever necessary for the Association's needs.

In 2024, the Assembly met twice:

- Ordinary assembly on April 23, 2024, with the following agenda:
 1. Approval of the Financial Statement as of 31/12/2023
 2. Approval of the 2023 Social Report
 3. Approval of the 2024 Budget
 4. Miscellaneous
- Ordinary and Extraordinary assembly on November 18, with the following agenda:
 1. Amendment and approval of the Statute
 2. Updates on ongoing projects
 3. Miscellaneous

The members' attendance rate was 87.5%.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is responsible for the ordinary and extraordinary administration of the Association and provides opinions and proposals on activities. It is composed of 6 members plus the Secretary.

The current board was appointed on April 27, 2023, and will serve for five financial years, until the approval of the 2027 financial statement.

In 2024, the Board met 3 times with an average attendance rate of 83.33%.

President: Francesco Patton

Vice President: Ibrahim Faltas

Board Members: Francesco Patton, Ibrahim Faltas, Tommaso Saltini, Carla Benelli, Francesco Cassese, Francesco Ielpo

General Director: Tommaso Saltini (in office until approval of the 2027 financial statement)

Control Body: Federico Pamovio (appointed October 29, 2020, serving until approval of the 2024 financial statement): oversees compliance with the law and the Statute and ensures sound management practices, carrying out all functions required by law.

Auditing Firm: Deloitte & Touche S.p.A. (appointment renewed on April 27, 2023, serving until approval of the 2025 financial statement)

Secretary General: Alberto Pari

Supervisory Body

Since September 5, 2024, the Supervisory Body is a single-person body represented by lawyer Giacomo Cardani (appointment ratified by the Board of Directors on November 15, 2024, with a three-year term).

Its role is to ensure compliance with Legislative Decree No. 231/01 and the Management Model and provisions contained therein.

Council of Supporters

Established in 2013, this is a consultative body external to the Association's statutory structure. It brings together individuals with experience and professionalism to promote the Association programs and projects.

Compensation for Members of the Administrative and Supervisory Bodies

General Director: € 56,000.00 excluding VAT and applicable legal charges

Control Body: € 1,500.00 plus VAT and applicable legal charges

Auditing Firm: € 13,000.00 plus expense reimbursements, extraordinary services, VAT, and applicable legal charges

ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL SITUATION

ASSOCIATION PRO TERRA SANCTA – FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1/1 – 31/12

CHARGES AND COSTS	2024	2023	INCOME AND REVENUE	2024	2023
A) Costs and charges from general interest activities			A) Revenue, income and proceeds from general interest activities		
1) Raw materials, subsidiary, supplies and goods	-	-	4) Donations		
2) Services			- Contributions from individuals	4,275,487	2,845,973
- Contributions to Conservation and Development projects	1,847,655	2,257,822	- Contributions from legacies	191,677	423,993
- Contributions to Education projects	4,151,902	3,017,367	5) Proceeds from 5 per mille	208,171	227,913
- Contributions to Emergency projects	3,223,378	3,837,483	6) Contributions from private subjects		
- Contributions in support of social-entrepreneurial activities	374,388	302,417	- Contributions from groups and associations	1,947,413	2,874,575
- Charges from ordinary promotional activities	129,788	158,343	- Contributions from private institutions	3,384,528	3,458,236
3) Use of third-party assets	-	-	7) Revenues for services and supplies to third parties	-	-
4) Staff	405,988	369,661	8) Contributions from public institutions	462,577	576,910
Total	10,133,099	9,943,093	9) Proceeds from contracts with public entities	-	-
			10) Other revenues, income, and proceeds	350,077	302,417
			Total	10,819,930	10,710,017
D) Charges and costs from financial and asset management activities			Surplus/deficit from general interest activities (+/-)	686,831	766,924
1) From banking relationship	-	-			
2) From loans	5,432	-	D) Revenue, income, and proceeds from financial and asset activities		
Total	5,432	-	1) From banking relationship	14,558	32,247
			2) From other financial investments	31,129	12,760
			Total	45,687	45,007
E) General support costs and expenses			Surplus/deficit from financial and asset activities (+/-)	40,255	45,007
1) Raw, materials of consumptions and subsidiary, goods	14,180	13,438			
2) Services	124,189	102,261	E) General support income		
3) Use of third-party assets	30,000	30,000	1) Proceeds from staff	-	-
4) Staff	122,600	130,297	2) Others proceeds of general support		
5) Deprecation	32,672	32,672	- Other proceeds (tax credits)	-	1,399
7) Other charges	6,294	5,104	- Other proceeds (contingent assets)	2,952	5,320
Total	329,935	313,772	Total	2,952	6,719
Total charges and costs	10,468,466	10,256,865	Total income and revenue	10,868,569	10,761,743
			Surplus/deficit before taxes for year (+/-)	400,103	504,878
			Tax	-	-
			Surplus/deficit for the year (+/-)	400,103	504,878

ASSOCIATION PRO TERRA SANCTA – BALANCE SHEET 1/1 – 31/12

ASSETS	2024	2023
A) Membership shares or contributions still due		
B) FIXED ASSETS		
I – Intangible assets		
7) Others	-	32,392
Total	-	32,392
II – Tangible fixed assets		
4) Others	281	561
Total	281	561
III – Financial fixed assets with separate additional indication for each credit item of the amounts due within the following financial year:		
2) Credits	-	-
d) To others	1,725	1,725
3) Other titles	196,746	195,365
Total	198,471	197,090
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	198,752	230,043
C) CURRENT ASSETS		
I – Inventories		
II – Receivables, with separate indication, for each item, of the amounts collectible within the following fiscal year:		
4) Towards private entities for contributions	-	340,000
6) Towards other third sector entities	275,360	-
9) Tax receivables	3,774	2,133
12) From others	1,384	4,820
Total	280,518	346,953
III – Financial assets not constituting fixed assets		
3) Other securities	1,061,436	1,199,922
Total	1,061,436	1,199,922
IV – Cash and cash equivalents		
1) Bank and postal deposits	2,705,401	1,982,580
3) Cash on hand	2,944	2,032
Total	2,708,345	1,984,612
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	4,050,299	3,531,487
D) ACCRUED INCOME AND PREPAID EXPENSES	211,344	298,268
TOTAL ASSETS	4,460,395	4,059,798

LIABILITIES	2024	2023
A) NET ASSETS		
I – Endowment fund of the entity	43,919	43,919
II – Restricted net assets		
3) Restricted reserves destined by third parties	1,800,622	886,873
III – Unrestricted net assets		
1) Profit or operating surplus reserves	2,008,870	1,503,993
2) Other reserves	- 3	-
IV – Surplus/deficit for the year	400,103	504,878
Total	4,253,511	2,939,663
B) PROVISIONS FOR RISKS AND CHARGES		
C) EMPLOYEE TERMINATION INDEMNITY	113,029	94,500
D) PAYABLES, with separate indication, for each item, of the amounts due beyond the next fiscal year:		
1) Payables to banks	2,720	2,243
7) Payables to suppliers	9,577	19,844
9) Tax debts	16,466	12,678
10) Debts payable to social security institutions	22,437	18,313
11) Debts to employers and collaborators	41,533	32,557
12) Other debts	1,122	-
Total	93,855	85,635
E) ACCRUED EXPENSES AND DEFERRED INCOME	-	940,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,460,395	4,059,798

MONITORING BY THE SUPERVISORY BODY

Statement of compliance of the social report with the Ministerial Decree of July 4, 2019

To the Assembly of Members of the Association Pro Terra Sancta ETS (hereinafter, the "Association")

1. Introduction

This document aims to provide the Assembly, convened to approve the social report, with a report on the activities carried out by the Supervisory Body to monitor and certify: (1) compliance by the Association with its civic, solidarity-based, and socially beneficial purposes; and (2) the conformity of the social report with the guidelines adopted by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies under the decree of July 4, 2019 (hereinafter, the "Guidelines"), in accordance with Article 30, paragraph 7, of Legislative Decree no. 117 of July 3, 2017 – Third Sector Code (hereinafter, "TSC").

According to Article 14 of the TSC and in light of clarifications provided by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies in notes no. 12604 of December 29, 2017 and no. 11029 of August 3, 2021, associations with revenues, proceeds, or income exceeding 1 million euros and that have amended their statutes in line with the TSC or hold ONLUS (nonprofit) status, are required to adopt a social report in accordance with the Guidelines even if they are not yet registered in the Third Sector Single National Register (hereinafter, "RUNTS").

On November 18, 2024, the Members' Assembly, following amendments to the bylaws (specifically Article 7.1) to align with the Third Sector legislation, submitted an application for registration in the RUNTS through the officiating notary. The Regional Office of RUNTS Lazio, through Resolution G00758 of January 22, 2025, approved the Association's registration in the RUNTS under the "Other Third Sector Entities" section. Therefore, the social report for the 2024 fiscal year refers entirely to the period during which the Association was still subject to ONLUS regulations, having only lost this qualification upon registration in the RUNTS.

2. Reporting on monitoring activities and their results

In accordance with Article 30, paragraph 7, TSC, the Supervisory Body carried out monitoring during the 2024 fiscal year regarding the Association's compliance with civic, solidarity-based, and socially beneficial purposes, focusing in particular on Articles 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the TSC. Monitoring, carried out in accordance with the current legal framework, focused in particular on:

- Verification that one or more activities of general interest, as defined by Article 5, paragraph 1, TSC, were carried out primarily or exclusively for civic, solidarity-based, and socially useful purposes, in compliance with specific regulations governing these activities, as well as any other activities (under Article 6, TSC) conducted within statutory limits and based on the principles of subsidiarity and instrumental value defined by Ministerial Decree no. 107 of May 19, 2021;
- Compliance with principles of truthfulness, transparency, and integrity in fundraising activities carried out during the reporting period, in accordance with the fundraising guidelines set out in the Ministerial Decree of June 9, 2022;
- Adherence to the principle of non-profit status, with all assets – including revenues, proceeds, and any form of income – devoted to the fulfillment of the statutory mission; and observance of the prohibition on direct or indirect distribution of profits, operating surpluses, funds, or reserves to founders, members, employees, collaborators, administrators, or other governing body members, as outlined in Article 8, paragraph 3, letters a) through e) of the TSC.

3. Statement of compliance with the Guidelines of the Ministerial Decree of July 4, 2019

Pursuant to Article 30, paragraph 7, TSC, the Supervisory Body also verified during 2024 that the Association's social report was prepared in accordance with the Guidelines on the preparation of social reports for Third Sector Entities, issued by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies via Ministerial Decree of July 4, 2019, as required by Article 14 of the TSC.

The Association declared that its 2024 social report was prepared in conformity with these Guidelines.

While responsibility for the preparation of the social report according to the required format and timeline lies with the administrative body, the Supervisory Body is responsible for certifying that the report complies with the Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies.

The Supervisory Body is also responsible for identifying any content that may be clearly inconsistent with data reported in the financial statements and/or information and data in its possession. Accordingly, the information provided in the social report was assessed for consistency with the information requirements outlined in the Guidelines. The actions of the Supervisory Body were based on the applicable Conduct Standards for supervisory bodies of Third Sector Entities.

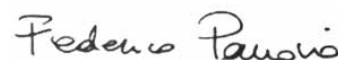
In this regard, the following aspects were also verified:

- Structural conformity of the social report with the section-based format outlined in paragraph 6 of the Guidelines. The Association explicitly stated in the methodological note that it aimed, for the first time, to present an overall picture of the results achieved in synergy with other entities belonging to a network of organizations sharing the same mission. Accordingly, the Association adopted a chapter-based format and included a reconciliation table to demonstrate compliance with the Guidelines' section-based structure;
- Inclusion in the social report of information required under the specific subsections listed in paragraph 6 of the Guidelines, or appropriate explanation for any omissions;
- Adherence to the drafting principles outlined in paragraph 5 of the Guidelines, including the principles of relevance and completeness, which may require supplementing information explicitly requested by the Guidelines.

Based on the work carried out, no issues were found that would lead the Supervisory Body to conclude that the Association's social report was not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the provisions of the Guidelines under the Ministerial Decree of July 4, 2019.

Milan, April 17, 2025

Federico Pamovio, lawyer



PRO TERRA SANCTA NETWORK APS

LEGAL NATURE OF THE ASSOCIATION

Pro Terra Sancta Network APS

Piazza S. Angelo 2, 20121 Milan – Tax Code 97687760153

Association for Social Promotion, with legal personality, pursuant to Art. 35 and following of Legislative Decree No. 117/17, registered in the Third Sector Single National Register (RUNTS) by order dated 28/11/2022, General Collection No. 8621 – File No. 8.5/2022/229

Pro Terra Sancta Network – Association for Social Promotion (APS), initially as an affiliate of another APS registered in the national register, and subsequently, from 13 September 2021, as an APS registered in the “Provincial Register of Non-Profit Associations” of the Metropolitan City of Milan, under No. 1139 pursuant to Regional Law 1/08 and Regional Government Resolution No. 4331 of 26/10/2012. The Association, long possessing legal personality following its recognition by the Prefecture of Milan on 15 October 2018 under No. 1627, adopted statutory amendments in 2019 which were registered on 13 September 2021 in the Register of Legal Persons at the Prefecture of Milan under entry No. 1627 on page 6291 of Volume 8.

In 2019, the Association amended its Statute in accordance with the Third Sector Code (CTS), in anticipation of registration in the Third Sector Single National Register (RUNTS), established in November 2021.

Pursuant to Article 101, paragraph 3 of Legislative Decree 3 July 2017, No. 117 (Third Sector Code), the requirement of registration in the RUNTS, pending the institution of said register, was considered fulfilled by the Association through its qualification as an APS, along with the related benefits. After receiving the required documentation submitted by the Association, the Metropolitan City of Milan issued a decree on 28 November 2022, General Collection No. 8621 – File No. 8.5/2022/229, registering Pro Terra Sancta Network APS in the RUNTS under the section equivalent to its prior status: “B – Associations for Social Promotion”. Subsequently, the Association completed the necessary registration data, pursuant to Art. 8 of Ministerial Decree No. 106/20, including the filing of its 2021 financial statements in the RUNTS. In line with standard regulations, the Association also filed its 2022 financial statements.

Regarding its activities and associative purposes, the Association coordinates and supports charitable works, socio-educational projects, and cultural heritage conservation initiatives. It aims to create a strong connection between supporters and the Holy Places, involving people of all origins, cultures, and religions in supporting social, educational, and cultural projects. The mission of Pro Terra Sancta Network is to build connections between the Holy Land and the world. In pursuing its goals, the Association collaborates with third parties with similar objectives and with public administrations. It also contributes to the design and implementation of development programs in collaboration with NGOs, private entities, and local, regional, and national institutions.

The organization operates in developing countries and economies in transition, as well as in any country where there are situations of need or emergencies. It primarily carries out its activities in the Middle East, in the following countries: Syria, Lebanon, Palestine, Israel, Jordan, Egypt, and Greece.

Civic, solidarity, and social goals are pursued through the following statutory activities (as identified with reference to Article 5 of Legislative Decree No. 117/2017), in compliance with APS regulations:

- a) Development cooperation;
- b) Charity;
- c) Protection and enhancement of cultural heritage;
- d) Promotion and protection of human, civil, social, and political rights;
- e) Education, instruction, and professional training;
- f) Organization and management of recreational, touristic activities of social, cultural, and religious interest;
- g) Organization and management of cultural activities;
- h) Promotion of the culture of legality and peace among peoples.

With specific reference to the activity described in point f) concerning the organization and management of recreational, touristic activities of social, cultural, and religious interest, Pro Terra Sancta Network is affiliated with CITS – Centro Italiano Turismo Sociale, an Association for Social Promotion, to which its initiative participants are also affiliated. Furthermore, the Association is a member of AITR (Italian Association for Responsible Tourism), having joined in early 2023.

Organizational Structure and Staff

The Association operates through the contribution of its members and in close collaboration with the Pro Terra Sancta ONG – ONLUS (PTS). In this context, also for the 2024 fiscal year, it did not make use of any employees.

Fundraising activities in Italy were supported by 5 consultants and 10 volunteers. Abroad, in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, from January to June 2024, the Association also benefited from the support of 9 volunteers, including 8 from the Universal Civil Service of the Italian Government, through its partnership with FOCSIV: 1 male and 7 female volunteers.

Training Activities

In 2024, the consultants and volunteers were invited to attend a training session titled: “Between Earth and Heaven: A Journey to Discover the Music of J.S. Bach as a Means to Keep Humanity and Transcendence Alive”, led by Prof. Dario Benatti (professor at the Catholic University of Milan and a volunteer with Pro Terra Sancta for music therapy projects in Syria and Lebanon).

STATUTORY AND SUPERVISORY BODIES

Assembly

19 individual members

Among its most important responsibilities, the Assembly approves the financial statements and decides on the composition of the various corporate bodies, as well as on all matters assigned to its competence by law and by the Statute. In extraordinary session, it resolves on any statutory amendments, extraordinary transactions, dissolution, and the allocation of assets.

The Assembly is required to meet, pursuant to Article 9 of the Statute, at least once a year for the approval of the financial statement and whenever necessary for the needs of the Association. In 2024, the Assembly met twice: on April 15, 2024, to deliberate on the report of activities carried out in 2023, to present the activity program for 2024, and to approve the financial statement and the social report as of December 31, 2023; and on October 16, 2024, for an update on the situation in the Holy Land and ongoing projects, as well as to decide on the adoption of the Organizational, Management and Control Model pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 231 of June 8, 2001, and the appointment of the Supervisory Body.

Board of Directors

Pursuant to Article 9 of the Statute, the Board of Directors is composed of a minimum of three and a maximum of five members and holds both ordinary and extraordinary administrative powers of the Association, with the possibility of delegation. The Board of Directors appoints from among its members the President as well as the General Director, determining their compensation. In 2024, the Board met three times.

The current Board of Directors, composed of three members, was appointed on April 15, 2024, and will remain in office, pursuant to the Statute, for five fiscal years and therefore until the approval of the financial statement as of December 31, 2028. The composition is as follows:

- **President:** Carla Benelli
- **Board Members:** Tommaso Maria Saltini, Raffaella Colasurdo
- **Supervisory Body:** Elsa Eugenie Isabelle Ségard, registered in the Register of Auditors under number 161485 with Ministerial Decree of 24/01/2011, Official Gazette No. 9 of 01/02/2011, was appointed on April 12, 2023, as the sole supervisory body pursuant to Article 14 of the Statute and Article 30 of Legislative Decree No. 117/2017. The term of office is for the same number of fiscal years as the other bodies, therefore until the approval of the financial statement closed as of December 31, 2027.

ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL SITUATION

PRO TERRA SANCTA NETWORK – FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1/1 – 31/12

CHARGES AND COSTS	2024	2023	INCOME AND REVENUE	2024	2023
A) Costs and charges from general interest activities			A) Revenue, income and proceeds from general interest activities		
2) Services			4) Donations	3,829,371	2,885,975
- Contributions to Conservation and Development projects	1,210,000	1,076,003	6) Contributions from private subjects		
- Contributions to Education projects	1,120,000	1,294,902	- Contributions from groups and associations	1,110,545	1,399,251
- Contributions to Emergency projects	1,679,207	1,845,005	- Contributions from private institutions	300,349	294,000
- Contributions in support of social-entrepreneurial activities	258,769	605,755	8) Contributions from public institutions	38,318	63,378
- Charges from ordinary promotional activities	851,616	974,856	10) Other revenues, income, and proceeds	237,948	717,427
7) Other operating expenses	2,832	3,121			
Total	5,122,424	5,799,642	Total	5,516,531	5,360,031
			Surplus/deficit from general interest activities (+/-)	394,107	- 439,611
C) Charges and costs from fundraising activities			C) Revenue, income, and proceeds from fundraising activities		
1) Charges of regular fundraising activities	225,861	269,773	1) Income from regular fundraising campaigns	917,194	892,965
Total	225,861	269,773	Total	917,194	892,965
			Surplus/deficit from fundraising activities (+/-)	691,333	623,192
D) Charges and costs from financial and asset management activities			D) Revenue, income, and proceeds from financial and asset activities		
1) From banking relationship	-	-	1) From banking relationship	779	11,035
2) From loans	13,887	-	2) From other financial investments	17,107	-
Total	13,887	-	Total	17,886	11,035
			Surplus/deficit from financial and asset activities (+/-)	3,999	11,035
E) General support costs and expenses			E) General support income		
1) Raw, materials of consumptions and subsidiary, goods	-	6	1) Proceeds from staff	-	-
2) Services	37,582	42,129	2) Others proceeds of general support	-	-
Total	37,582	42,135	Total	-	-
Total charges and costs	5,399,754	6,111,550	Total income and revenue	6,451,611	6,264,031
			Surplus/deficit before taxes for year (+/-)	1,051,857	152,481
			Tax	-	-
			Surplus/deficit for the year (+/-)	1,051,857	152,481

PRO TERRA SANCTA NETWORK – BALANCE SHEET 1/1 – 31/12

ASSETS	2024	2023
A) Membership shares or contributions still due		
B) FIXED ASSETS		
C) CURRENT ASSETS		
I – Inventories		
II – Receivables, with separate indication, for each item, of the amounts collectible within the following fiscal year:		
9) Tax receivables	1,015	-
12) From others	10,624	16,382
Total	11,639	16,382
III – Financial assets not constituting fixed assets		
3) Other securities	986,113	799,258
Total	986,113	799,258
IV – Cash and cash equivalents		
1) Bank and postal deposits	687,166	265,717
3) Cash on hand	1,501	6,581
Total	688,667	272,298
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,686,419	1,087,938
D) ACCRUED INCOME AND PREPAID EXPENSES	10,000	-
TOTAL ASSETS	1,696,419	1,087,938

LIABILITIES	2024	2023
A) NET ASSETS		
I – Endowment Fund of the entity	30,000	30,000
II – Restricted net assets		
III – Unrestricted net assets		
1) Profit or operating surplus reserves	365,331	212,849
2) Other reserves	50,000	50,000
IV – Surplus/Deficit for the Year	1,051,857	152,481
Total	1,497,188	445,330
B) PROVISIONS FOR RISKS AND CHARGES		
C) EMPLOYEE TERMINATION INDEMNITY		
D) PAYABLES, with separate indication, for each item, of the amounts due beyond the next fiscal year:		
1) Payables to banks	-	51
7) Payables to suppliers	157,100	139,961
9) Tax payables	2,836	2,596
12) Other payables	39,295	-
Total	199,231	142,608
E) ACCRUED EXPENSES AND DEFERRED INCOME	-	500,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,696,419	1,087,938

MONITORING BY THE SUPERVISORY BODY

Statement of Compliance of the Social Report with the Guidelines pursuant to the Decree of 4 July 2019 issued by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies.

Pursuant to Article 30, paragraph 7, of the Italian Third Sector Code, I have carried out an assessment of the compliance of the 2024 Social Report with the "Guidelines for the preparation of the social report by Third Sector entities," as issued by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies through Ministerial Decree dated 4 July 2019, and in accordance with the provisions of Article 14 of the Third Sector Code.

The Association has declared that it has prepared its 2024 Social Report in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines, without adopting any specific social reporting standards.

While the responsibility for the preparation of the Social Report according to the procedures and timelines set forth in the applicable regulations remains with the administrative body, the Supervisory Body is responsible for certifying, as required by law, the compliance of the Social Report with the Guidelines of the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies.

It is also the responsibility of the Supervisory Body to verify whether the content of the Social Report appears to be manifestly inconsistent with the financial statements and/or with the information and data in its possession.

To this end, I have verified that the information contained in the Social Report faithfully represents the activities carried out by the entity and is consistent with the disclosure requirements set out in the applicable ministerial Guidelines. My work has been carried out in accordance with the "Rules of Conduct for the Supervisory Body of Third Sector Entities," as issued by the Italian National Council of Chartered Accountants and Accounting Experts (CNDCEC).

In particular, I verified the following aspects:

- Compliance of the structure of the Social Report with the section layout referred to in paragraph 6 of the Guidelines, taking into account the reconciliation table provided at the end of the Social Report;
- Inclusion in the Social Report of the information required under the specific sub-sections explicitly indicated in paragraph 6 of the Guidelines, or, where appropriate, adequate explanation of any omissions;
- Adherence to the drafting principles of the Social Report set out in paragraph 5 of the Guidelines, including the principles of relevance and completeness, which may require the integration of information not explicitly listed in the Guidelines.

Based on the work performed, it is hereby certified that the Social Report of Associazione Pro Terra Sancta Network APS, relating to the financial year 2024, has been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the provisions of the Guidelines set forth in the Ministerial Decree of 4 July 2019.

Milan, 2 April 2025

Elsa Ségard



Correlation Table

Table of correspondences pursuant to article 6 of the Decree of 4 July 2019 of the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies adopting the Guidelines for the Drafting of the Social Budget of Third Sector Entities.

GUIDELINES	CORRESPONDENCE
Methodology adopted for the preparation of the Social Report	Methodological note Correspondence table
General information about the Entity	Who we are - Mission Legal nature of the Association Where we are
Structure, governance, and administration	Organization Organizational structure and staff Statutory and Supervisory Bodies Stakeholders
People working for the Entity	All human resources of Pro Terra Sancta Organizational structure and staff Stakeholders
Objectives and activities	Sustainable Development Goals Activities and objectives Beneficiaries
Economic and financial situation	Consolidated financial results of Pro Terra Sancta Economic and financial situation
Other information	Letter from the general director Statutory and Supervisory Bodies Environmental impact Letter from the Custos
Monitoring carried out by the Supervisory Body (methods and outcomes)	Monitoring carried out by the Supervisory Body

Volunteer Activities

In Syria, some professionals continued providing consultations on the habitability of homes, a task initiated after the 2023 earthquake; other volunteers supported project activities and began offering Italian language courses.

In Lebanon, five entrepreneurs took part in the WIP project, offering their expertise in a program aimed at launching new startups by local youth; three young people visited our projects and produced a photo reportage; two volunteers supported local staff by providing training in music therapy.

In Egypt, architects and engineers collaborated on the renovation of several historically significant buildings tied to the Custody of the Holy Land and the Coptic Orthodox Church. Additionally, two young people stayed for several months at the Musky convent in Cairo, contributing to the digital cataloging of the Library.

In Jerusalem, volunteers primarily supported the project Books, Bridges of Peace, and were also involved in teaching Italian to the novices of the Custody of the Holy Land. In Bethlehem, they assisted with various initiatives and contributed to activities organized within Dar Al Majus.

Volunteers from the Universal Civil Service, who began their service in June 2023, remained in Jerusalem and Bethlehem until the end of their project (June 26, 2024), despite the outbreak of conflict in the region, as all safety regulations were respected. In total, there were 15 volunteers: 8 in Jerusalem and 7 in Bethlehem—11 women and 4 men. Their presence contributed to ensuring continuity in project implementation and providing support to the local population.

Notes



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