

## Conflict Resolution for Teenage students Project Erbil

In the 12<sup>th</sup> of Sep.2007, IAA/Erbil office in cooperation with NDI concluded the training of Conflict Resolution programme for teenage students from the 1/07/2007 to 12/09/2007, targeting 50 students from both gender, age category (14-16), at the high school of Ainkawa – Erbil, students were selected from the displaced Arabs and Kurds families.

Objectives of the project were as follows:

1. Advising young students to look for peaceful resolutions to their conflicts and dilemmas.
2. Peace building and rejecting violence.
3. Introducing culture of dialogue to students to promote in their schools.
4. Skills of negotiation

Students were divided into 2 groups each group included 25 students. They participated in 12 workshops, 4 hours each.

Workshops included the following activities:

1. Conflicts' management and resolution.
2. Reactions against conflicts.
3. Negotiation.
4. Peace culture.
5. Active dialogue.
6. Human, women and infants rights.

5 specialized trainers in the conflict resolution, negotiation and human rights participated in the action.

The programme workshops were held at the IAA Erbil office facilities, in order to help students recognize closely, the activities of Iraqi AlAmal Association,

The project succeeded to promote self confidence, rejecting violence, human rights concepts and assisting students to plan small projects for their schools and implement them, and to acquire more volunteers to the association.

Participants were introduced to Iraqi AlAmal Association youth website [www.shbab-alamal.com](http://www.shbab-alamal.com), where they registered to take part in youth dialogue on going at the site.

One of the results of the evaluation process was a recommendation by participants to sustain activities of the project concerning the construction of leadership and promotion of self-confidence of youth. Eventually all participants agreed that the project period was short.