



## Concept paper

### 1- Project: Ethnic victimization in Kirkuk conference

2- Project duration: 2 months.

3- Implementing agencies

- KIVG - Kurdish institute for Victimology and fighting genocide – Iraqi NGO.
- FIBW - Felsberg institute for education and academic research – International NGO.
- PAX Christi Holland – see conflict map Kirkuk.
- CDO – community development organization. (Shams Kirkuk)

### 4- Problem identification:

As international election observers on March 7, 2010 in Kirkuk, the following sentence has been heard constantly: “If the politicians from outside stayed away from us, we would solve the problem of Kirkuk quickly ourselves!”

Now, we want to find out, if this is true.

As a kick-off we plan to organize a meeting of students, professors and staff of the University of Kirkuk, members of local NGO's and representatives of the different religious groups. The meeting will take place at a neutral place, preferably the university.

From this first exchange of views, other activities – such as scientific studies as well as concrete youth programs, sport activities combining the different ethnic groups, cultural events, etc. should arise.

### 5- Project objectives:

- 1- To identify the ethnic victimization of different groups in Kirkuk by civil society organizations and universities.
- 2- To set recommendations and for coordination and working towards development of Kirkuk Province in different sectors
- 3- To encourage peace building and dialogues among multi groups in Kirkuk

### 6- Project activities:

- 1- preparation
- 2- Conducting a peace of research in Kirkuk province about ethnic victimizations of different ethnic groups since 1990 until 2003 by KIVG and FIBW.



- 3- Coordination with University of Kirkuk and LNGOs to present 3 different papers on female victimizations, child victimization and monitoring human rights.
- 4- Conducting one day conference

#### **7- Expected outcomes**

- 1- Each group will be familiar with the victimization of other groups
- 2- Universities would involve for the first time in civil work.
- 3- Areas of difficulties and gaps in child, female and human rights will be highlighted and present to audience to develop their projects.
- 4- Follow up committee will be established towards working on recommendations