

Dr. Yara Moualla

Biography



Dr. Yara Moualla has MA degree in *Art and Archaeology* from the Lebanese University, Beirut, MA degree in *Cultural Heritage for development* from the University of Turin, Italy in collaboration with the UNESCO World Heritage Center, and another MA in *International relations and Cultural Diplomacy* from Hochschule Furtwangen University, Germany.

She was the *Arts project manager* at the British Council in the United Arab Emirates in 2008. In 2009 she made a return to Syria where she worked at with Civil Society to shift the National agenda to mobilize culture as a pillar for development. She is part of the UNESCO expert pools and consulting the Syria Trust for development in their role in evaluating the nomination files for intangible cultural heritage at the UNESCO 2003 convention.

Moualla lives in Berlin and has recently obtained a PhD from the University of the West of Scotland in collaboration with Institute of Cultural Diplomacy, Berlin, examining the soft power of cultural heritage through the theory of change with special focus on Syrian context.