



ECOTOWNS

An example to settle on the Mediterranean basin

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WHAT IS BEHIND THE CONCEPT OF ECOTOWN?

- WHICH PLANET WE WANT ?
- WHAT WILL WE LEAVE TO THE NEW GENERATION?
- ARE CHIEF OF STATES DOING ENOUGH TO PREVENT THE DISASTER ?
- OUR CONTRIBUTION : **ECOTOWNS** TRYING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
- BUT IT WONT BE ENOUGH...

Ecotowns : starting 12-11-2012 in Berlin(Parliament)



First meeting with the mayors of
Ecotown in Brussels 2013 with
President Martin Shulz



OUR CHARTER

This is how we started and it is already too late.

- The planet is not yours, nobody own it !
- Your role is to protect it for you and for the new generation. Women and men are involved
- Climate change is hitting your conscience but who is really acting ?
- Forget about climate change and just think :

Don't you want to live in a nice way ?

Eat safely Try to avoid cancers, raise your children in a safe environment ?

Concret actions = long term safety

It is easy : small steps, small actions:

- Why we do not protect our coast on all levels
- Why Education & awareness are not focusing on the preservation of our planet ?
- Why we should not implement :
- Renewable energy
- Water treatement
- Selective garbage & recycling
- Organic agriculture/ protecting green space
- Reducing mobility
- Eco-tourism

WHY CAN YOU DO IT ?

Will women do it better ?

We are trying to do it

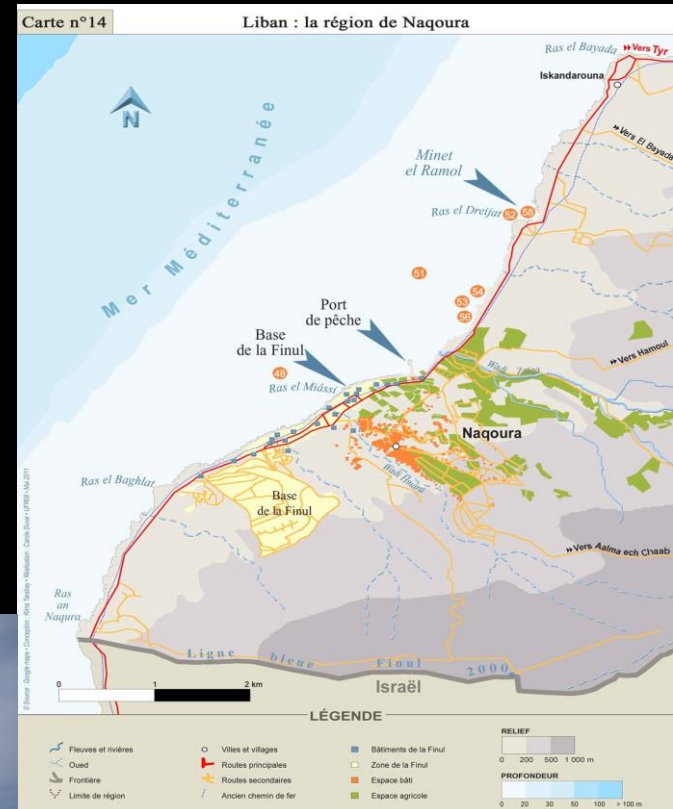
Women and men together no other choice !

**Our objective : an ecotown in each country on
the mediterranean basin**

This is what we did and we are continuing in a sustainable way ..

Disparity between the north and the south

Naqoura : Lebanon A new citizenship in a military zone?



STAKES & ACTIONS

Stakes

- Military zone
- Electricity
- Waste treatment
- Pesticide

Actions

- Coast rehabilitation
- Organic agriculture
- Selective garbage
- Public garden
- Scholar trip to Cassis
- Eco school zero carbon emissions



Education a must : A Public Eco School from the scratch : Zéro carbon emission





Awareness campaign & sorting garbage in the school



Scholar trip to Cassis in France

15 Students from Naqoura

Cultural diversity
Different religion
Different identities
But common project



Agriculture : a major role in our daily life

To live we need to eat

But what do we eat ?

Pesticides ?



Piran / Slovenia:

Tourism & it consequences



Preservation and optimisation



Girolata/ Corsica

Tourism : high risk



Waste treatment a model to follow



Cassis / France similar problem than Piran : Tourism & preservation



Joint actions

Eco-tourism : Cassis & Piran



Amsa / Marocco : Stakes & actions

Priorities

- Coastal protection
- Drinking water
- Water treatement
- Selective garbage
- Organic agriculture
- Solar panels
- Women agriculture project
- Women association



Education : a priority

Public school renovation: Zero carbon emissions



AGRO ECOLOGY/ women empowerment



Education for Women an urgent need



Chammas / Egypt from the scratch



What we want to avoid



What we want to preserve



What kind of agriculture with dryness?



Beyond Ecotown

- We signed June 2018 an agreement with UCA university : We have 35 students engaged in our ecotowns
- Exchange between the north and the south of the mediterranean basin
- Ecotowns a common project for both shore
- Protecting the environment a common citizenship for Mediterranean habitants beyond their first identities.
- Ecotown an example to follow for the rest of the country.