



Happy Hour Fundraiser at Lost Society

The Global Fairness Initiative is looking forward to January 23, 2014! Beginning at 6:00pm, Lost Society and [Going Out Group](#) will host GFI for a Fundraising Happy Hour event. There will be a general ask at the front door however eighty percent of donations made will go directly to GFI.

We hope that you will come join us and support our team for this event.

DJ Saam will provide music and in conjunction with the Going Out Group there will be many new faces and friends to meet.

Time: 6:00 PM

Date: January 23, 2014

Where: Lost Society
2001 14th Street NW
Washington, DC

If you have any questions please contact info@globalfairness.org or 202-898-9022

Developments from Tunisia

December was a very active month for the Tunisia Inclusive Labor Initiative (TILI). GFI program director, Halima Gellman, joined the TILI team in Tunis for a final series of multi-stakeholder roundtables, aimed at building consensus around a set of recommendations to aide the formalization process.

Government representatives, Unions, CSOs, experts and academics, as well as informal workers from five regions in Tunisia, sat around one table and discussed priorities, needs, concerns and capacity relating to the formalization process. Participants reported that this was the first time government and beneficiaries have sat across from each other to share perspectives and debate the issues. Partners for Democratic Change took the lead in facilitating the discussions, fully utilizing their expertise in consensus building and conflict resolution. The result of these roundtables is a set of recommendations that will support the formalization process in Tunisia. These recommendations will also provide the basis to TILI's Roadmap for Economic Formalization; which will be presented to the government and the public at a conference in Tunis on April 15th 2014.

Upcoming TILI activities include:

Finalization of a guide-book for informal workers who wish to formalize their professional activities. The guide book will explain why it is important to be a part of the formal sector, how to register a business, how to register for social security and medical coverage, what is required of tax payers, labor laws and much more.

TILI has been building the capacity of its coalition, which currently includes seven CSOs from five different regions of Tunis. Coalition members are working together to address issues around informality and create a unified agenda. Next month Partners for Democratic Change will conduct a media campaign and dialogue facilitation training next month with coalition members.

A joint pilot program with the Employment Ministry will kick off in the beginning of March. This program will guide 100 informal workers through the formalization process.

GFI is looking forward to our next year with TILI. TILI has successfully brought informality to the forefront of conversations and has helped to develop new strategies to catapult formalization.

To learn more about informality in Tunis please see the Informality Survey on [our Website](#)

Accepting Applicants for the 2014 Summer Sapin Fellowship

The Global Fairness Initiative is now accepting applicants for the summer Sapin Fellowship Opportunity. Created in honor of Shirley Sapin in recognition of her commitment to equality and opportunity for all people, the Sapin Fellowship was established to offer students in post-secondary institutions the opportunity to work with GFI on issues of economic development and workforce equity. Thanks to the Sapin Family and a donation from the Benjamin Banneker Development Corporation, GFI is able to offer three Sapin Fellowships a year that aim to create opportunities for developing leadership capacity on issues of international importance.

Participating on all levels with GFI staff, Sapin Fellows gain a high level of exposure to international development issues, non-profit management, and access to a wide network of affiliated organizations and businesses throughout the Washington, DC region. The GFI team is glad to have an opportunity to provide this paid internship for excited, interested and self-motivated students who are interested in our work and recognize the impact our work has on global communities.

To learn more about how to apply for the Sapin Fellowship please visit [us Online](#). Attached to the page is the application for the Fellowship. For general inquiries and questions you can contact our team at (202) 898-9022 or info@globalfairness.org.