## QUESTIONS:

1. **What is the current religious/cultural/social context in the area where your CC is working?**

   We work in different sectors; including youth, intercultural exchanges, environment (www.urenv.net), and tourism www.visithebron.ps in a country that has a good diversity of people coming from different faith groups. Our activities are based in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Hebron, and Nablus. Each city has a unique religious diversity.

2. **Why is interfaith/intercultural bridge building needed in the area where your CC works?**
   Interfaith and intercultural bridge building are very important in our work and we base our main activities in it. We need it because we live in a country that is full of conflicts and we live under a very hard occupation by Israel, where people lost trust in other faith groups because of the occupation.

3. **Please briefly describe the main activities or programs your CC is carrying out this year?**
   - Environmental activities www.urenv.net
   - Youth/intercultural activities www.vfpeace.org
   - Tourism activities www.visithebron.ps
   - Non-violence and Peace Education www.vfpeace.org
   - International Day of Peace IDP
   - Word Interfaith Harmony Week

4. **Between which specific religions or cultures are bridges being built?**
   We build bridges between Muslims, Christians, including those in different sects, and Jews.

5. **Please explain the method or strategy that your CC uses to bring together people of different cultures and faiths that would otherwise not interact or cooperate with each other.**
   We depend on bringing people from different faith groups together in mutual interest groups; in youth sectors, environmentalism, tourism, and peace building so they can bridge the gap between them.

6. **Given the current context you described, what does your CC hope to achieve (goals)?**
   We hope to build a bridge between the different Palestinian faith groups and establish contacts with international organizations.

7. **How do you see your CC's work improving cooperation among people of different traditions?**
   We are working out a platform in Palestine to bring people from different faith groups together.

8. **How is the work of your CC helping to prevent religiously inspired violence or transforming conflict? (NOTE: This question is relevant only in areas with violence/open conflict.)**
   By bringing people together and creating understanding, you eliminate any cause for violence.

9. **What are some observations or signs you see that relations are improving between people of different faiths/cultures in the area where your CC works?**
   The large number of participants in our activities is the best example of such success.

10. **Please share a specific short story about your CC's work that might teach a lesson about interfaith or inspire other CCs.**
    In one of the exchange programs I participated in, on the topic of Human rights in the Netherlands, I was accommodated in student dorms. When I arrived to the building, I heard that one of the Jewish students who live in the dorms left her room because she heard a Palestinian is coming there.

11. **How is your CC's work helping to achieve the mission of URI?**
    We are helping URI by living the URI PPP's and including URI name and mission in all our activities.

12. **Within your CC, you have members from several different faiths and cultural traditions. How would you describe cooperation among your CC's members? What are the challenges?**
    We live together in beautiful harmony and we have never encountered any problem.

13. **How is being part of URI helping your CC to achieve its goals?**
    We are being helped by being part of a network, living URI PPPs, and learning from the experiences of other CCs.

14. **Aside from funding, what are some specific ways URI can better support your CC in reaching its goals?**
    Job shadowing, exchange experience, learning from URI partners, and networking are all very important for us.