Timeline & Highlights

2002 - Partners in Humanity programme (PiH) launched under the name Dialogue of Civilizations

July 2003 - Muslim-Western Relations summit: Over 60 non-governmental organizations, media professionals, government agencies, and international organizations - all catalysts and facilitators of Muslim-Western dialogue - convened in Amman, Jordan under the joint auspices of His Royal Highness Prince El Hassan bin Talal and SFCG, generating an action plan for the programme which was renamed Partners in Humanity.

Fall 2003 - One of the outcomes of the 2003 meeting, the Common Ground News Service launches a bi-monthly Partners in Humanity (CGNews-PiH) English edition with a part-time editorial team of 4 and 150 subscribers, many of whom attended the initial summit

2004 - Common Ground Media training workshop for 11Al Jazeera staff in Doha

July 2005 - CGNews-PiH goes weekly

April 2006 - PiH launches the Arabic edition of CGNews-PiH

May 2006 - PiH launches the Bahasa Indonesia edition of CGNews-PiH

May 2006 - Media outreach training for reconciliation activists in Beirut

May 2006 - PiH launches the French edition of CGNews-PiH

June 2006 - Media outreach training for reconciliation activists in Jakarta

2006 - Media Outreach Guide for Peacebuilders in English, Indonesian and Arabic launched

Oct 2007 - PiH launches the Urdu edition of CGNews-PiH

Dec 2007 - Documentary The Bridge aires twice on the Hallmark Channel

Jan 2008 - Terminology guide for English-language reporting on Muslim-Western issues released

May 2008 - Pakistani and Bangladeshi civil society activists and media professionals trained in common ground media outreach
Common Ground Media Kit for Trainers published

Sept 2008 - Lebanon country programme launched

Nov 2008 - 35 Asia Pacific mainstream media professionals trained in cross-cultural communication

Aug 2009 - Kilna Bil Hayy, Lebanese children’s series, aired on LBC

Oct 2009 - Common Ground Film Festival tours 12 schools and 8 universities in Lebanon

April 2009 - Cyprus “training of trainers” for mediators and educators to train Lebanese teachers for listening and problem-solving in Lebanese schools project

June - Sept 2009 - 110 teachers in seven schools trained in Lebanon

Oct 2009 - Pakistani religious writers trained in writing constructive op-ed on Islam for the media

2009 - PiH launches Pakistan country-specific programming

2009 - Radio for Peacebuilding programme starts in Pakistan

Jan 2010 - 2nd training of Pakistani religious writers

Jan 2010 - Training of Pakistani mainstream media on reporting on Muslim-Western relations in the digital age

Jan 2010 - Training of Indonesian mainstream media on reporting on Muslim-Western relations in the digital age

Feb 2010 - Training of North African bloggers on common ground writing and Muslim-Western relations in the digital age

May 2010 - Training of 23 MENA “thought leaders” in Beirut.

Sept 2010 - Training of 20 professors of Islamic Studies in Jakarta