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## ***Together in Sarouja***

***In the heart of the vibrating historical neighbourhood of Sarouja, the EU-funded Cultural Participation for Heritage Regeneration project will host two events. Press and public are warmly invited to attend:***

- 1) **Open House Day** on **Sunday**, 31 October 2010 at 5 pm:
  - Speakers: famous Syrian writer, Dr. Nadia Khost, and other guests
  - Show: Short documentaries *Pang* and *Nostalgia (Arabic with English subtitles)*
  - Place: traditional house near Sarouja square, in front of al-Rabie hotel, Jouzet al-Hadba street
  - Invitees: press, all persons interested in cultural heritage and local inhabitants
  
- 2) **Guided tour** on **Saturday**, 6 November 2010 at 4 pm:
  - Places: through the avenues and alleys of Sarouja
  - Meeting point: Near al-madrassa al-Shamiyya, al-Thawra street
  - Invitees: all persons interested in cultural heritage, local inhabitants and tourists
  - Tour guides: experts and architects from the *Institut français du Proche-Orient* (IFPO). Maps and information about Sarouja will be distributed.

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