



USAID/TUNISIA

COUNTRY PROFILE

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in Tunisia promotes an inclusive, accountable political system, and dynamic private sector-led economic growth, which promotes prosperous and resilient communities across the country, and advances Tunisia on its journey to self-reliance. Since 2011, USAID has provided nearly \$685 million in assistance to Tunisia.

OUR WORK

ECONOMIC GROWTH

TUNISIA JOBS, OPPORTUNITIES, AND BUSINESS SUCCESS (TUNISIA JOBS)

2018-2023 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$69.6 million • Implemented by Chemonics International

Tunisia JOBS works on accelerating the growth and job creation potential of Tunisian firms through firm-level interventions that improve productivity and competitiveness; improve access to finance for small and medium enterprises; workforce development through training, job matching, curricula reform; and improvements to the business enabling environment.

MASHROU3I (“MY PROJECT”)

2016-2021 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$12.5 million • Implemented by UNIDO and HP Life

Mashrou3i generates employment opportunities for young men and women in fourteen disadvantaged governorates of Tunisia by providing direct support to entrepreneurs through technical assistance, training, and business coaching, and by enhancing the capacity of local business support institutions.

INVEST TUNISIA

2017-2023 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$10 million

INVEST Tunisia promotes innovative private capital solutions for small to medium enterprises (SMEs), introduces new financial products, and leverages capital and expertise from local and international investors.

TUNISIAN AMERICAN ENTERPRISE FUND (TAEF)

2014-2027 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$100 million

TAEF creates a more inclusive private sector by providing funds to enterprises and accompanying them throughout their life cycle, improving their financial sustainability and growth, and expanding their employment opportunities while creating new jobs as well.

FISCAL AND ACCOUNTING SYSTEM OF TUNISIA (FAST)

2019-2023 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$19.3 million

FAST supports efforts to advance the e-Governance and economic reform priorities of the Government of Tunisia.

USAID/Tunisia is also initiating **new Economic Growth** activities in 2021, that include **Visit Tunisia** - aiming to enhance Tunisia's tourism potential, generating revenue and jobs, and contributing to Tunisia's growth and development; and **Power Tunisia** - aiming to build the Tunisian energy sector's institutional capacity to support increased clean energy generation and grid integration; promote the benefits of renewable energy through the development of sustainable pilot activities, and support efficiency improvements that produce energy savings. There is a plan to expand access to finance for Small and Medium Enterprises with a Development Finance Corporation Loan Portfolio Guarantee.

DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNANCE

Democracy and Governance programs work with both civil society and selected Government institutions to implement the reforms set forth in the new constitution.

DECENTRALIZATION: THE TUNISIA ACCOUNTABILITY, DECENTRALIZATION, AND EFFECTIVE MUNICIPALITIES (TADAEEM)

2017-2021 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$54 million • Implemented by Deloitte

TADAEEM was USAID's first local governance program aimed at improving municipal service delivery and jumpstarting the decentralization process. Future Decentralization programming will support inclusive local government policies, planning and capacity at both the national and subnational level.

POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND COMBATING VIOLENT EXTREMISM (CVE): MA3AN - TOGETHER

2018-2023 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$48.5 million • Implemented by FHI360

Ma3an empowers local communities and youth to identify community-specific vulnerabilities, including the drivers of violent extremism, and reduce communities' risk of instability.

ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL PROCESSES: THE TUNISIA POLITICAL TRANSITIONS PROJECT (PTP)

2020-2025 • Total Estimated Cost (TEC) US \$19million • Implemented by IFES, NDI, IRI, and Internews

PTP strengthens key electoral institutions, civil society organizations, media, and elected officials in order to increase public trust and inclusive participation in the political process.

Future Democracy and Governance programming to strengthen Tunisia's partnership between government and civil society and help strengthen the legislature are planned.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

As a response to the COVID-19 pandemic, USAID has dedicated over \$31 million in assistance to support Tunisia in responding to the immediate health crisis and prepare for the pandemic's long term economic and social effects. In addition to utilizing existing Economic Growth and Democracy and Governance projects,

USAID is also partnering with UN organizations to support efforts by the Government of Tunisia (particularly the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education) to respond to emerging needs in Tunisia.

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