Team Europe Initiative (TEI)

Boosting Palestinian Economy through Trade & Investments

What is TEI?

The Team Europe Initiative (TEI) is a flagship approach delivering concrete results for partner countries, aligning with their national priorities and promoting the "Team Europe" brand.

Who is Involved? Includes the EU, its Member States, diplomatic networks, financial institutions, implementing organizations, EIB, and EBRD.

Key **Principles**

- Inclusive approach: Open to all Team Europe members to leverage European expertise and resources.
- Joint analysis: Identifies critical development bottlenecks where coordinated efforts can create transformative impact ·

The Team Europe Initiative for Palestinian Trade (TEI) is an EU-led initiative under the European Joint Strategy (EJS), designed to foster long-term economic sustainability in Palestine by enhancing trade-related infrastructure, policies, and regional cooperation. By addressing structural trade barriers and improving competitiveness, the initiative seeks to expand and diversify Palestinian trade, driving revenue growth, job creation, and economic resilience.

Impact: Sustainable economic development and welfare for Palestinians.

By leveraging Team Europe's collective expertise and resources, the initiative aims to foster a more dynamic, sustainable Palestinian economy integrated into regional and global markets.

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Call to Action:

Learn more about how the EU is supporting Palestinian trade and economic resilience. Join us in building a stronger, more independent Palestinian economy.

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EU Trade Assistance Programme in Palestine

A Resilient Trade Ecosystem



EU & Palestine: Enduring Partnership

Strategic Trade Partnerships for a Resilient Palestine

The European Union reaffirms its steadfast commitment to Palestine's statehood aspirations by advancing economic sovereignty through strategic trade partnerships. The EU Trade Assistance Programme serves as the cornerstone of this effort, positioning Palestinian trade for success in regional and global markets while reducing aid dependency.

Through targeted interventions, the Programme drives systemic improvements across:

- Trade policy modernization
- Standards harmonization and quality infrastructure
- Export capacity building
- Competitiveness enhancement
- Critical trade infrastructure development



Key Focus Areas

QUALITY & INFRASTRUCTURE

- Upgrade production facilities
- Innovate product packaging
- Train in export readiness

POLICY REFORMS

- WTO-compliant regulations
- Export business incentives
- Public-private task forces

STANDARDS ALIGNMENT

- ◆ Meet EU import requirements
- Implement quality certifications
- Modernize customs systems

COMPETITIVENESS BOOST

- E-commerce Integration
- SME Industry Clusters
- Trade Skills & Capacity Building

UNLOCKING PALESTINE'S TRADE POTENTIAL

- Break barriers to global market access
- Forge EU/international trade partnerships
- Simplify export processes

EU-PALESTINE TRADE GROWTH

- Trade volume increase
- Buyer-supplier matchmaking
- Real-time trade data portal

INNOVATION & SUSTAINABILITY

- Green manufacturing support
- Renewable energy partnerships
- Trade tech incubators

TRADE DIVERSIFICATION

- ◆ Develop tech & specialty agriculture exports
- Reduce reliance on traditional markets

Flagship Projects Driving Change

Turning Vision into Reality

EU4Business Trade, Investment & Standards

• Objective: Boost Palestinian trade and attract investment

EU4Trade Programme

Objective: Support private sector growth and SMEs

Trade Logistics Infrastructure Improvement

- Implementation: Via UNOPS partnership
- Objective: Reduce transaction costs and enhance trade competitiveness

EU Trade Projects



EU4Business 2024 - 2026

EU4Trade 2024 - 2027

Trade Crossing Infrastructure 2024 - 2027

Fostering Sustainable Growth

Boosting Competitiveness, Innovation, Digital trade

EU Support to the private sector trade initiatives: Encouraging Local Trade Initiatives and Building Skills



Enhancing Competitiveness

Training in marketing, finance, and EU export standards

Quality Improvement

Helping SMEs meet international market demands





Regulatory Compliance

Guiding businesses on EU certifications and trade rules

Digital Trade Support

Funding e-commerce platforms and digital skills training



Future Directions: Innovation & Sustainability

Trade Diversification Beyond Traditional Sectors

The EU supports Palestine's shift from agriculture (Olive oil, textiles) to high-growth sectors;

- ICT & Digital Services: Funding fintech, software, and E-commerce startups.
- Pharmaceuticals: Helping firms meet EU standards for medical exports.
- Renewable Energy: Boosting solar panel production and green tech.

Digital Trade & E-Commerce Growth

- EU-funded e-commerce platforms and digital skills training (AI, marketing).
- Fintech solutions to streamline cross-border payments.
- · Created thousands of jobs in digital trade and logistics.

Trade Policy & Regulatory Upgrades

- Aligning Palestinian standards with EU/ISO certifications.
- Modernizing customs via ASYCUDA World for faster clearance.
- Training officials to reduce trade bottlenecks.