



TUNISIA

Southern Neighbourhood



Key milestones

- 1995**
The EU-Tunisia Association Agreement is signed
- MARCH 2014**
The Mobility Partnership declaration is signed
- OCTOBER 2015**
Negotiations for a Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Agreement are launched
- SEPTEMBER 2016**
The Joint Communication «Strengthened EU support for Tunisia» is adopted
- NOVEMBER 2018**
Adoption of the Strategic Priorities 2018-2020



EU-Tunisia Partnership priorities



Promoting good governance and the rule of law



Investing in the future: stimulating sustainable economic growth and generating employment

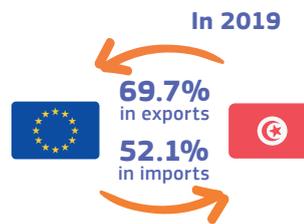


Strengthening social cohesion between generations and regions



Trade & investment

The EU is Tunisia's main trading partner:



Mobility

4,100 Tunisian students, professors and university staff moved to Europe while **1,900** European counterparts travelled to Tunisia between 2015 and 2019.

EU funding

The EU provides support to Tunisia mainly through the **European Neighbourhood Instrument**:



more than
€1.1 billion
for the period
from 2017
until 2020



Additional EU support

- Tunisia has been the number one beneficiary of the incentive-based mechanism every year since 2011.
- Tunisia has benefitted from several actions in the framework of the Neighbourhood Investment Platform, e.g. in the transport, environment and energy sector.
- Tunisia benefitted from two Macro-Financial Assistance operations for a total of €800 million.
- Tunisia benefits from funding under the North of Africa window of the EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa amounting to €69.7 million.
- Tunisia is also eligible for other instruments and initiatives, such as the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights, or thematic programmes under the Development Cooperation Instrument.



Coronavirus response

The Commission mobilised up to **€325 million** in bilateral assistance to support immediate, health-related and socio-economic needs in Tunisia. In addition, a **€600 million** Macro-Financial Assistance package for Tunisia was adopted in May 2020. Tunisia also benefits from the EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa €10 million regional fast-track emergency response programme to coronavirus in North Africa focusing on the most vulnerable populations.

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