PROJECT FACTSHEET

DANISH ASSISTANCE TO GENERAL SECURITY IN LEBANON
INCREASING CYBERSECURITY CAPACITIES

Executive Summary
The direct impact of the Syria conflict on Lebanon has served to reinforce the need for improvements and strengthening of border management. General Security (GS) felt the worst of the pressure in terms of cross border movements. The influx of refugees was significant, yet GS continues its role of border security with limited increase in resources (human, financial or equipment) or assistance.

Consequently, drafting a Cybersecurity Strategy and establishing a Security Operations Centre (SOC) became top priorities for GS and for Lebanon in general.

The implementation of the SOC and all its tasks put together will ensure a higher security environment for the GS IT system and information flow in their border management and law enforcement activity. In turn, a more secure GS means more security at the Lebanese national level.

Project objective
The primary objective is to increase the institutional, technical and operational cybersecurity capacities in the border management area, to protect Secure Border Management System against cyber threats, through supporting the General Security in the implementation of Secure Operations Centre as part of their Cybersecurity Strategy.

Project Components
Component 1: Institutional Development of GS/SOC
Aims to create the bases for the new SOC within GS through development of basic operational procedures and activity regulating documents.

Component 2: Purchase and installation of the hardware and software equipment for the new SOC
Aims to strengthen the effectiveness of the new SOC through provision of modern hardware equipment and software.

Component 3. Capacity building of GS/SOC staff on cyber security
Aims to strengthen the capacity of the GS SOC to coordinate the implementation of the new GIS Strategic Plan.

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The Donor

Denmark, represented by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Immigration and Integration.
The MFA of Denmark following its 12 years of support to the security agencies working on Border Management in Lebanon (2007 – 2019) is funding an 18 months project on increasing GS Cybersecurity capacities starting January 2019.

Our partner

The General Directorate of General Security in Lebanon
In January 2018, an official request came from the GS Director General to support the development and implementation of a Cybersecurity Strategy. Furthermore, in a written communiqué of July 2018, the Director General clearly highlighted that the drafting of a Cybersecurity Strategy and implementation of a SOC were top priorities for GS and for Lebanon in general.

The International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)

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