Support Programme to the Tunisian Government in the area of Integrated Border Management

Phase II

Fact Sheet

**Duration**  
13 months (1 December 2018 – 31 December 2019)

**Implementing agency**  
International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)

**Country**  
Tunisia

**Target groups**  
The Tunisian authorities in charge of border management:
- Ministry of Interior:
  - The Border Police Directorate of the General Directorate for National Security (DFE)
  - The Border Guard General Directorate of the National Guard (DGGF)
- Ministry of Finance: the Customs General Directorate (DGD)
- As well as the structures pertaining to other ministries (Phytosanitary and Veterinary inspections, Trade, National Army, etc.).

**Main beneficiaries**  
The main beneficiaries of the Action are the Tunisian authorities in charge of border management, the local population, users of the border crossing points (BCPs) and migrants.

**Donor**  
The German Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Context**

Through the modernisation and capacity building of the Tunisian authorities, this programme improves good governance by promoting border security, stability and regional cooperation with the aim of facilitating commercial trade and promoting the movement of people and goods.

The second phase of the IBM Tunisia Project builds on the results achieved during the first phase.

**Objectives of the Project**

The overall goal of the programme is to contribute to building the capacity for protection, surveillance and border control of the Tunisian border agencies, while facilitating the movement of legitimate travellers and goods.

The specific objectives of the project are:
1. To strengthen the institutional capacity of Tunisian border agencies;
2. To improve the efficiency and security of border agency staff;
3. To reinforce the three pillars of the Integrated Border Management concept in Tunisia.

The programme will support the achievement of these objectives through the implementation of three components:
Component I: Preparation for the establishment of a "Border" inter-agency training centre and a Southern zone annex

1. Feasibility study
2. Preparatory work for the construction of the centre and its annex
3. Development of “Border” training modules, training-of-trainers and practical field tests

Component II: Extension of the local operational rooms of the DFE and of the local watch of the DGGF, as well as the creation of a Central Ops Room and pilot local operational rooms for Customs

1. Identify regional priority sites of the DFE and the DGGF
2. Feasibility study for the operational needs of Customs
3. Implementation of regional sites for the DGGF and the DFE
4. Establishment of a central site and regional sites for Customs (Customs Guard)
5. Training of personnel for the operational rooms and corresponding technical staff

Component III: Facilitation of commercial transit and passenger crossing (extension of the “Smart Traveller” mobile Customs app)

1. Development of complimentary modules (add-ons) for the app
2. Acquisition of equipment related to the app
3. Training
4. Feasibility study for the creation of a “Smart Traveller” pilot corridor

The activities will be separated into two axes. The first aims to analyse the present situation to identify the priority needs of the agencies, allowing the project team to update the prior state-of-play, take stock of the existing structures and propose the necessary measures with different feasible options. The second axe consists of the implementation of tailor-made activities at the central and local levels, with a particular emphasis on capacity and the content of training, and the collection, processing and exchange of information, as well as the coordination of operations.