



SOUTH PROGRAMME V

Project on Promotion of Good Governance: Fight against Corruption, Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism in the Southern Mediterranean (SNAC 5)

Title of the Programme	European Union/Council of Europe Joint Programme “Protecting human rights, rule of law and democracy through shared standards in the Southern Mediterranean” (South Programme V)
Programme financing	EUR 5,56 million European Union contribution: EUR 5 million (90%) Council of Europe contribution: EUR 556 000 (10%)
Donor	European Union
Title of the Project	Promotion of good governance: fight against corruption, money laundering and financing of terrorism in the Southern Mediterranean (SNAC 5)
Project budget	675 000 EUR
Duration	36 months (1 September 2022 – 31 August 2025)

1. Background

The programme “Protecting human rights, rule of law and democracy through shared standards in the Southern Mediterranean” (South Programme V) is a joint initiative between the European Union and the Council of Europe over the period 2022 – 2025 with the objective to continue to support democratic reforms in the Southern Mediterranean.

The South Programme has been implemented since January 2012 confirming its relevance in providing institutional support to partners in the region, which have benefitted from the added value of the Council of Europe’s standard setting know-how, its independent monitoring mechanisms, and the support of independent experts and advisory bodies. The demand-driven approach has been successful in responding to the needs and requests for assistance of beneficiaries, while regional actions have addressed common interests, and facilitated knowledge sharing and lessons learnt at a collective level on a range of topics with an aim of creating a common legal space between Europe and the Southern Mediterranean, which has been pursued as a longer-term goal since the start of the programme.

The aim of South Programme V is, therefore, to better protect human rights, rule of law and democracy in the Southern Mediterranean region in line with European and international

standards. Its fifth phase builds on lessons learnt, regional dynamics created and strengthened with an aim to capitalise on achieved results and successes to be scaled up towards joint action at regional level.

In particular, the South Programme V aims to:

- Facilitate enlarged common legal space between Europe and Southern Mediterranean based on European and international standards;
- Enhance capacities to address global challenges through common tools and responses based on European and international standards;
- Enhance co-operation and dialogue on human rights, rule of law and democracy within the Southern Mediterranean region and between the region and Europe to ensure effective implementation of European and international standards and the relevant national bodies' capacity to interact.

2. Project on Promotion of Good Governance: Fight against Corruption, Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism in the Southern Mediterranean (SNAC 5)

The project "Promotion of Good Governance: Fight against corruption, money laundering and financing of terrorism" (SNAC 5) is part of South Programme V. The overall objective of SNAC 5 is to promote good governance and prevention of corruption, money laundering and financing of terrorism at regional level (MENA region) in line with European and international standards, by building on the efforts made so far in Jordan, Morocco, Tunisia and Palestine* and based on the needs of the beneficiary jurisdictions.

The main focus of the technical assistance and regional cooperation is to promote the implementation of Council of Europe and other international standards and good practice in the prevention and fight against economic crimes, including corruption, money laundering, terrorism and proliferation financing; raise capacities of responsible institutions through different Council of Europe tools; and strengthen cooperation between regional and international counterparts in the anti-corruption and anti-money laundering and combatting the financing of terrorism.

SNAC 5 provides technical assistance to beneficiary jurisdictions at regional level through joint and jurisdiction-specific actions pursuing the regional goal.

Immediate outcomes of SNAC 5 are:

Immediate outcome 1	Skills and capacities of relevant institutions in anti-money-laundering and combating financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) are enhanced.
Immediate outcome 2	Capacities and awareness of authorities responsible for preventing and combating corruption are strengthened.

* This designation shall not be construed as recognition of a State of Palestine and is without prejudice to the individual positions of Council of Europe member States on this issue.

Immediate outcome 3	Cooperation between MENA authorities and regional and international counterparts is enhanced.
Immediate outcome 4	International cooperation between the Southern Mediterranean region and Europe is enhanced.

3. CONTACTS

The SNAC 5 Project is implemented by the Economic Crime and Cooperation Division (ECCD) of the Action against Economic Crime Department, Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate, Directorate General I Human Rights and Rule of Law of the Council of Europe.

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