

World Bank Portfolio in Tunisia

Country Partnership Strategy (CPS)

The core principles of the World Bank's Country Partnership Strategy for 2010 to 2013 is the alignment with the XIth National Development Plan (NDP), flexibility in approach and selectivity in the areas of engagement. The priorities of the Government have guided the selectivity on where the Bank is engaged and reflect the understanding of where the client sees the value-added of the Bank. The Government and the Bank have agreed on three CPS strategic pillars; (i) employment, growth and competitiveness; (ii) sustainable development and climate change; and (iii) improving the quality of service delivery. Within these pillars, the CPS outlines a partnership program which is grouped into results areas that facilitate focusing activities and tracking impact.

Recent and Ongoing Analytical Work

The World Bank plays an active role in supporting policy choices and reforms by producing in-depth analysis of key issues. Recent analytical work includes: Tunisia's development Policy Review : Towards innovation driven growth; a report on Tunisia's global integration; a policy development loan for Tunisia's integration and competitiveness (jointly with the EU and the AfDB); a report on employment, capacity development and social protection; a study on Small and Medium Enterprise Study on technical centers and industrial land management; a report on the agricultural sector; a regional study on the constraints to cross border investment and trade in the Maghreb and a study on cost assessment of water degradation while building capacity on environmental valuation.

The Bank is currently working on an Employment Development Policy Loan; a review of Energy Management Policy; Small and Medium Enterprise Finance Policy Note; a study on competitiveness poles and social protection networks; and a study on energy markets in the Maghreb

In addition, the World Bank is providing technical assistance on a regular basis on issues such as crisis monitoring and support public debt management, performance-based budgeting and Skills Development, Social Protection and Employment. Other technical assistance includes the Use of Country Systems, Trade Policy Modeling, Development of Logistics Infrastructure and Urban Transport Efficiency Improvement.

World Bank Activities in Tunisia

Portfolio At-a-Glance as of November 16, 2009

Project ID	Project Name	Loan/Cr	Date, Approval	Date, Signing	Date, Effective	Date, Closing	Net Commitment Amount	Total Disbursed
P005591	TN-Ozone Depleting Substance	21936	06/14/1994	06/14/1994	06/14/1994	12/31/2000	5.1	4.1
P048825	TN-Cultural Heritage	70590	06/12/2001	10/16/2001	02/12/2002	06/30/2007	17.0	12.3
P064836	TN-Urban Water Supply	73390	11/17/2005	12/05/2005	03/21/2006	06/30/2012	38.0	7.4
P069460	TN-GEF: Gulf of Gabes	54942	03/10/2005	04/27/2005	04/27/2005	06/30/2010	6.3	2.3
P071115	TN-Export Development II	74870	06/29/2004	07/02/2004	01/14/2005	03/31/2010	41.8	29.1
P074398	TN-Municipal Development III	71540	12/05/2002	01/09/2003	06/23/2003	06/30/2008	78.4	78.4
P075809	TN Higher Education Reform Support II	73920	06/15/2006	07/18/2006	11/17/2006	11/30/2011	76.0	6.3
P078131	TN-GEF Energy Efficiency Program/Ind.	54398	11/04/2004	12/13/2004	12/13/2004	12/31/2010	8.5	4.0
P082999	TN-Education PAQSET II	72200	03/08/2004	03/12/2004	05/24/2004	06/30/2008	130.3	106.1
P088929	TN-ICT Sector Development Project	72440	07/01/2004	07/02/2004	01/18/2005	06/30/2009	13.1	6.2
P095012	TN-Sustainable Municipal Solid Waste Mgt	74320	03/13/2007	03/22/2007	07/20/2007	06/30/2012	22.0	14.7
P095388	TN-Integration and Competitiveness DPL	76960	03/24/2009	05/11/2009	08/11/2009	06/30/2011	250.0	125.6
P095847	TN- Water Sector Investment II	77260	05/19/2009	05/27/2009	11/10/2009	03/31/2015	30.6	0.0
P099811	TN-Tunis West Sewerage	73970	07/06/2006	07/18/2006	11/17/2006	12/31/2011	66.8	18.3
P104266	TN-Energy Efficiency and Renewable Inv.	77430	06/30/2009	07/08/2009	02/05/2009	02/28/2014	55.0	0.0
P106415	TN-Avian Influenza Preparedness	91965	04/09/2008	02/14/2009	02/14/2009	08/31/2009	0.7	0.1
TOTAL							839.6	414.8

Projects Under Implementation

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Investment	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$55.0 million Approval date: 06/30/09 Effectiveness date: 02/05/09 Closing date: 04/28/2014 Implementing Agency: Ministry of Energy</p>	<p>The development objective of the project for Tunisia is to scale up industrial energy efficiency and cogeneration investments, and thereby contribute to the government's new four-year energy conservation program. The project concept was designed to provide an integrated technical and financial analysis of end-use projects to be financed by Participating Financial Intermediaries (PFIs).</p>
Water Sector Investment II	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$30.6 million Approval date: 05/19/09 Effectiveness date: 11/10/09 Closing date: 03/31/2015 Implementing Agency: Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources</p>	<p>The objectives are to promote more efficient management and operation of selected public irrigation schemes by participating farmers; to improve access and consumption of drinking water for rural households in communities; and to assist the Ministries of Agriculture and Water Resources, of Environment and Sustainable Development, and other stakeholders to make better decisions relating to integrated water resources management in Tunisia. The project has 5 components: (1) irrigation management; (2) Rural water supply; (3) groundwater management; (4) environmental protection; and (5) institutional strengthening and capacity-building.</p>
Integration and Competitiveness Development Policy Loan (76960)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$250 million Approval date: 03/24/2009 Effectiveness date: 08/11/2009 Closing date: 06/30/2011 Implementing agency: Ministry of Economic Development</p>	<p>This Integration and Competitiveness Development Policy Loan (ICL), supports the key strategic elements of Tunisia's 11th National Development Plan (2007-11). It aims at strengthening growth and ensuring that this growth is translated into employment. The main thrust of the program is to continue growth-enhancing reforms anchored around a deeper integration of Tunisia to the global economy. The ICL will also assist the Government in responding to the global financial crisis which is beginning to expose Tunisia's inherent macroeconomic vulnerability to growth in Europe. The ICL is also supported by the EU and the AfDB for a total amount of US\$600 million.</p>
Tunisia Avian Influenza Preparedness	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$0.6 million Approval date: 04/09/2008 Effectiveness date: 2/14/2009 Closing date: 8/31/2009 Implementing agency: Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)</p>	<p>The overall development objective of the Grant is to minimize the risk of outbreaks of the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) and other zoonoses in domestic poultry, and to strengthen Tunisia's preparedness and infectious disease control capacity.</p>

Sustainable Municipal Solid Waste Management (Loan 74320)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$22.0 million Approval date: 3/13/07 Effectiveness date: 7/20/07 Closing date: 6/30/2012 Implementing Agency: Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development</p>	<p>The development objective of the Project is to assist the Tunisian Government in strengthening the key elements of sustainability of municipal solid waste management. This objective will be achieved through the operationalization of a planning and implementation system of solid waste management at the national and local levels and through the rehabilitation of a number of environmentally harmful dumpsites. These actions will enable the Tunisian Government to enter the emerging global market of carbon credits through the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) introduced under the Kyoto Protocol.</p>
Higher Education Reform Support (loan 73920)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$76.0 million Approval date: 6/15/2006 Effectiveness date: 11/17/2006 Closing date: 11/30/2011 Implementing agency: Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Technology</p>	<p>The development objective is to support the implementation of the Government's program to develop the higher education system by increasing the capacity and efficiency in expanding access and improving the quality of education and institutional performance.</p>
Tunis West Sewerage (loan 73970)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$66.8 million Approval date: 7/6/2006 Effectiveness date: 11/17/2006 Closing date: 12/31/2011 Implementing agency: Office National de l'Assainissement (ONAS)</p>	<p>The objectives of the project are to: (a) improve the quality of sanitation services in Greater Tunis, and preserve the achievements of the sewerage sector; (b) promote the reuse of treated wastewater in irrigation on a sustainable basis and in significant quantities, which is very important given the severity of water scarcity in Tunisia; and (c) enhance ONAS performance through financial and operational management capacity building.</p>
Urban Water Supply (loan 73390)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$38.0 million Approval date: 11/17/2005 Effectiveness date: 3/21/2006 Closing date: 6/30/2012 Implementing agency: SONEDE</p>	<p>The objectives are to: (i) sustain the reliability and quality of water service in Greater Tunis and selected urban centers, through augmentation, upgrade and renewal of water supply infrastructure; and (ii) enhance the competitiveness and sustainability of SONEDE operations, through modernization of management practices and information systems, for better cost control, enhanced revenue and more responsive customer service.</p>
GEF: Gulf of Gabes Marine and Coastal Resource Protection (TF54942)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$6.3 million Approval date: 3/10/2005 Effectiveness date: 4/27/2005 Closing date: 6/30/2010 Implementing agencies: Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, APAL, CITET, INSTM</p>	<p>The project's development objective is to establish a functional integrated monitoring and participatory management system for the project area to manage biodiversity degradation in the Gulf of Gabes region.</p>

GEF: Energy Efficiency Program/Industrial Sector (TF54398)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$8.5 million Approval date: 11/4/2004 Effectiveness date: 12/13/2004 Closing date: 12/31/2009 Implementing agency: ANER (National Agency for Renewable Energies)</p>	<p>The objective is to achieve a deeper penetration of sustainable commercial energy efficiency investment activities in Tunisia's industrial sector, by removing barriers and lowering transaction costs.</p>
Information Communication Technology (ICT) Sector Development (loan 72440)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$13.1 million Approval date: 7/01/2004 Effectiveness date: 1/18/2005 Closing date: 6/30/2009 Implementing agency: Ministry of Communication Technologies</p>	<p>The Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Sector Development Project Development Objective is to assist Tunisia in promoting the development of its ICT sector by: (a) supporting ICT institutional and sector reforms; (b) improving its e-security mechanisms; (c) developing e-government applications; and (d) promoting the participation of the private sector in the ICT sector.</p>
Export Development II (loan 72390)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$36.0 million Additional financing: US\$6.0 million Approval date: 6/29/2004 Effectiveness date: 1/14/2005 Closing date: 3/31/2010 Implementing agency: Ministry of Commerce</p>	<p>The development objectives are to improve access to export markets and finance, and enhance the efficiency trade logistics. The Project is expected to create linkages between domestic and off-shore sectors, enhance competitiveness of private enterprises, and strengthen public-private interface to administer and promote internal and external trade.</p>
Second Education Quality Improvement (loan 72200)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$130.3 million Approval date: 3/8/2004 Effectiveness date: 5/24/2004 Closing date: 6/30/2008 Implementing agency: Ministry of Education and Training</p>	<p>The objective of the project is to promote excellence in teaching and learning through the school sector while continuing the push for equity by ensuring the inclusion of all children at all levels of the basic education system.</p>
Municipal Development III (loan 71540)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$78.4 million Approval date: 12/5/2002 Effectiveness date: 6/23/2003 Closing date: 6/30/2008 Implementing agency: CPSCL/Ministry of Interior</p>	<p>The objectives are to: (i) strengthen the institutional environment for the delivery of municipal basic services and infrastructure; and (b) increase the institutional capacity of both local governments and related central agencies.</p>
Cultural Heritage (loan 70590)	
<p>Original Loan amount: US\$17.0 million Approval date: 6/12/2001 Effectiveness date: 2/12/2002 Closing date: 6/30/2010 Implementing agency: Cultural and Inheritance agency (AMVPPC)</p>	<p>The objective is to assist the Government in the sustainable management of the country's cultural heritage in order to develop cultural tourism and, in time, gain additional revenues, through: (i) enhancement of the legal framework, development of policies, and strengthening of cultural institutions capacity to enable efficient management of the country's cultural assets; (ii) development and marketing of</p>

	cultural products, including promotion and communication programs; and (iii) improving infrastructure and management of a representative sample of six archaeological and historic sites to increase their appeal and tourism potential.
Montreal Protocol: Demonstration Project for the Phase-out of Ozone Depleting Substance (TF 21936)	
Original Loan amount: US\$5.1 million Approval date: 6/14/1994 Effectiveness date: 6/14/1994 Closing date: 12/31/2010 Implementing agency: National Agency for Environmental Protection	The project objective is to implement a strategy aimed at establishing an institutional and regulatory framework for decreasing the use of ozone depleting substances and introducing, on a demonstrational basis, ozone depleting substance-free technologies to the country's refrigeration, foam, and aerosol industries, thus initiating actions leading to the phase-out of ozone depleting substances.

Projects Under Preparation FY 10 -11

- Employment DPL
- Community Based Integrated Rural Development
- Agriculture / Climate Change Project
- Tunis wastewater
- Northwest Mountainous and Forestry Areas Development
- Skills Development
- Integration & Competitiveness DPL II
- Export Development III
- Municipal Development IV
- Third Education Quality Improvement
- Health
- Competitiveness Poles / Innovation / Technology
- Cultural Heritage II