



One Sea  
One Pact  
One Future

# Pact for the Mediterranean

The Pact for the Mediterranean is an ambitious strategic framework which aims to enhance cooperation and deepen strategic relations between the EU and Southern Mediterranean partners.

## What is the Pact about?

The Pact is a result of an **extensive and inclusive process** across the Mediterranean with engagement of governments, civil society, youth, private sectors and researchers.

It is a strong political commitment aiming to **jointly implement initiatives** in priority policy areas of mutual interest. It intends to turn the numerous challenges that the region faces into opportunities, with a lasting and transformative impact on the region and beyond.

Our ambition is to create a **Common Mediterranean Space** that is more connected, integrated, prosperous, resilient and secure. It builds on our historical and cultural ties and on the principles of **co-ownership, co-creation and joint responsibility**. It contains more than 100 initiatives and action for long-term impact for the benefit of the EU and Mediterranean citizens and businesses.

### Key priorities



**People:** Higher education, skills and culture



**Stronger economies:** Boosting trade, attracting investment and supporting sustainable growth



**A safer, more resilient Mediterranean:** Working together on peace, security and migration management

## Key initiatives and actions



### Pillar 1

## People: driving force for change connections and innovations

- Establish a Mediterranean University and a Youth Parliamentary Assembly for the Mediterranean
- Strengthen education and skills to help people access better jobs
- Expand Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) opportunities
- Promote sustainable tourism while protecting cultural and natural heritage

### Pillar 2

## Stronger, more sustainable and integrated economies

- Build deeper trade relations and economic integration and attract more investments
- Foster clean transition, sustainable growth and resilience
- Boost local businesses and startup by creating a Regional Startup Support System
- Invest in renewable energy and clean technology through the Trans-Mediterranean Renewable Energy and Clean Tech Initiative (T-MED)
- Provide reliable and sustainable transport solutions and support secure and trusted digital infrastructure



### Pillar 3

## Security, preparedness, and migration management

- Enhance cooperation on peace and security, via an EU-Med Peace and Security Initiative and strengthen partners' ability to prevent conflict, counter disinformation, and respond to emerging threats and fight organised crime
- Strengthen preparedness for natural disasters and health crises
- Manage migration in a fair, protective and comprehensive way
- Step up legal pathways for labour migration and scale up talent partnerships

## How does the Pact work?

- It is based on the principles of co-ownership, co-creation and joint responsibility
- It will have a strong governance and will be jointly run at both EU and Euro-Mediterranean levels
- It will leverage on existing financial resources and tools
- It is open for stronger cooperation beyond the Southern Mediterranean, for example in the Gulf, Asia and Africa

## What's next



- The Pact has been officially launched by southern Mediterranean partners and EU Member States on 28 November 2025, on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the Barcelona Declaration
- An **Action Plan**, foreseen by March 2026, will specify the participating countries and stakeholders for each initiative under the Pact. The Action Plan will also support the monitoring of the Pact

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