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SFAX TAPARURA PROJECT

OBJECTIVES

Sfax is the second biggest city in Tunisia and the most important industrial and commercial centre in the country's southern region. As the site of the phosphate industry, it has suffered from significant pollution which has hampered its development.

Following the clean-up of the northern coast of Sfax, Tunisia's second biggest city, the project plans to restore its beaches and create 420 hectares of land to increase the size of the metropolitan area, for the benefit of its inhabitants and those of Greater Sfax.

The Sfax Taparura project is the second flagship project to be carried out within the scope of the Urban Projects Finance Initiative (UPFI). The Initiative aims to promote and develop sustainable and innovative urban projects in the Euro-Mediterranean region that serve as best practice examples and are potentially replicable.

BENEFICIARIES

Population of Sfax, which is around 500 000 inhabitants.

LOCATION

- Tunisia

DURATION

First phase of the project: June 2013 – 2019

TOTAL COST

€400 million

PROMOTER

- Tunisian State as the main contractor
- Société d'Etude et d'Aménagement des Côtes Nord de la Ville de Sfax (SEACNVs) as the deputy main contractor

PROJECTS FOR PROGRESS

ACTIONS

The action plan is divided into two phases:

- Phase 1: depollution work and rehabilitation of Sfax's northern coast.
- Phase 2: adaptation and rehabilitation actions that will bring about urban transformation in the area.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Upgrading of the area and development of a new urban centre with basic facilities and infrastructure to integrate it with the rest of the city of Sfax.
- Building of new housing, commercial activities and services, green spaces, areas of public facilities and hotels will take place, allowing it to receive about 50 000 residents and create employment opportunities upon completion of the project.
- Establishing the coexistence between the natural environment and economic development, by providing a sustainable development dynamic that enhances the area's economic appeal.



PARTNERS

- European Commission (EC)
- French Development Agency (AFD)
- European Investment Bank (EIB)
- KfW Development Bank
- Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations (CDC)
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)



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