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# COMPLETION OF THE CENTRAL SECTION OF THE TRANS-MAGHREB MOTORWAY AXIS

## OBJECTIVES

The project aims to complete the central section of the Trans-Maghreb Motorway Axis, thus connecting the Algerian, Moroccan and Tunisian national motorway networks. More specifically, it aims to complete the missing links from Oujda (Morocco) to the Algerian border; and from Bou Salem (Tunisia) to the Algerian border, providing a continuous motorway corridor from Agadir, in Morocco, to Ras Jedir, in Libya.

In addition to completing the infrastructure, the central Maghreb countries will work together with the GTMO 5+5 and the Arab Maghreb Union (AMU) on defining the axis' management so as to ensure complete interoperability, high-quality service and provision of the same high standards all along the axis.

## BENEFICIARIES

More than 80 million people from Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and beyond will benefit from improved transport conditions, as well as from reduced travel times and fewer accidents.

### LOCATION

Maghreb region

- Morocco
- Tunisia

### DURATION

- Moroccan section: 2015-2017
- Tunisian section: 2015-2020

### TOTAL COST

€670 million

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## ACTIONS

- Define and implement an action plan for managing the Trans-Maghreb Motorway Axis, including trade facilitation, infrastructure financing and pricing, road safety and integration of the axis into the global transport system of the region through a multimodal approach.
- Deliver a regional study to construct a second point of connection between the southern regions of Algeria and Tunisia.
- Define the financial package for the two motorway sections and “soft” actions.
- Carry out construction works combining ancillary infrastructures (border points, maintenance areas) with “soft” components (international transit agreements, standardisation and training).
- Integrate and coordinate the Trans-Maghreb Motorway Axis’ management, ensuring complete interoperability and high-quality service throughout the axis.

## RESULTS

- The construction of 102 km (22 km in Morocco and 80 km in Tunisia) of dual carriageway motorway of at least two lanes running parallel to the Maghreb coast will complete the central section of the Trans-Maghreb Motorway Axis, thus linking the major cities of Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco.
- The project will improve regional integration and socio-economic development by facilitating trade relations and population mobility.



### PROMOTER

Technical Secretariat of the Group of Transport Ministers of the Western Mediterranean (GTMO 5+5).

### PARTNERS

- Algerian Ministry of Transport.
- Moroccan Ministry of Equipment and Transport.
- Tunisian Ministry of Equipment.
- African Development Bank (AfDB).
- Arab Maghreb Union.
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).
- European Investment Bank (EIB).
- International Road Transport Union (IRU).
- Islamic Development Bank (IDB).
- The World Bank.
- World Customs Organization.

### CONTRIBUTION

The UfM Secretariat is working to prepare the financial package for the motorway in close collaboration with IFIs and the governments of Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia.



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