





Seventh UfM Trade and Investment Forum Navigating Disruption, Building Integration: Reshaping Trade and Investment in the UfM region Barcelona, 10 December 2025



The Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean, with the support of the German Development Cooperation, will be holding the **7th UfM Trade and Investment Forum** on 10 December 2025 in Barcelona, Spain.

The current global trade landscape is marked by a complex interplay of resilience and volatility. The current geopolitical tensions and trade disruptions, such as increases in trade tariffs, are hitting markets worldwide, including mediterranean economies.

These developments have worsened long-standing structural challenges, such as low intraregional trade integration, heavy dependence on external markets, and weak industrial diversification. Tackling these challenges requires a strategic focus on regional connectivity, effective implementation of regional trade agreements, improved trade facilitation, and diversification of export markets, to build greater resilience against external shocks.

Promoting and facilitating sustainable investment in the UfM region is essential to address persistent development gaps, boost economic resilience and accelerate the green and digital transitions. Furthermore, promoting and supporting bankable investment projects, particularly in the areas of renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, water management, and climate-resilient infrastructure, can catalyze inclusive growth while aligning with global sustainability goals.

To this end, the Forum will bring together a broad spectrum of stakeholders from both shores of the Mediterranean region. Recommendations emanating from the Forum will guide the future agenda of the Union for the Mediterranean. Previous editions of the Forum were held in Egypt (first edition), Germany (second edition), Türkiye (fourth edition), Belgium (fifth edition), and Rabat (sixth edition).

Visit the webpage for more information and the current agenda.

Interested participants can register here. The UfM Secretariat will confirm your participation according to availability.

Simultaneous interpretation into Arabic, English, French and Spanish will be available during the event.

The venue of the Forum is: Palau de Pedralbes / Pere Duran Farell, 11- 08034 Barcelona.