



Union pour la Méditerranée  
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## Addressing mobility from a regional perspective

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# Union for the Mediterranean

## THE EURO-MEDITERRANEAN INTERGOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTION

### 43 MEMBERS



### 1 MISSION

Enhance regional cooperation and integration in the Euro-Mediterranean through regional dialogue and the implementation of concrete projects and initiatives with tangible impact on the region's citizens.

### 3 MAIN PRIORITIES



**Youth  
Employability &  
Inclusive Growth**

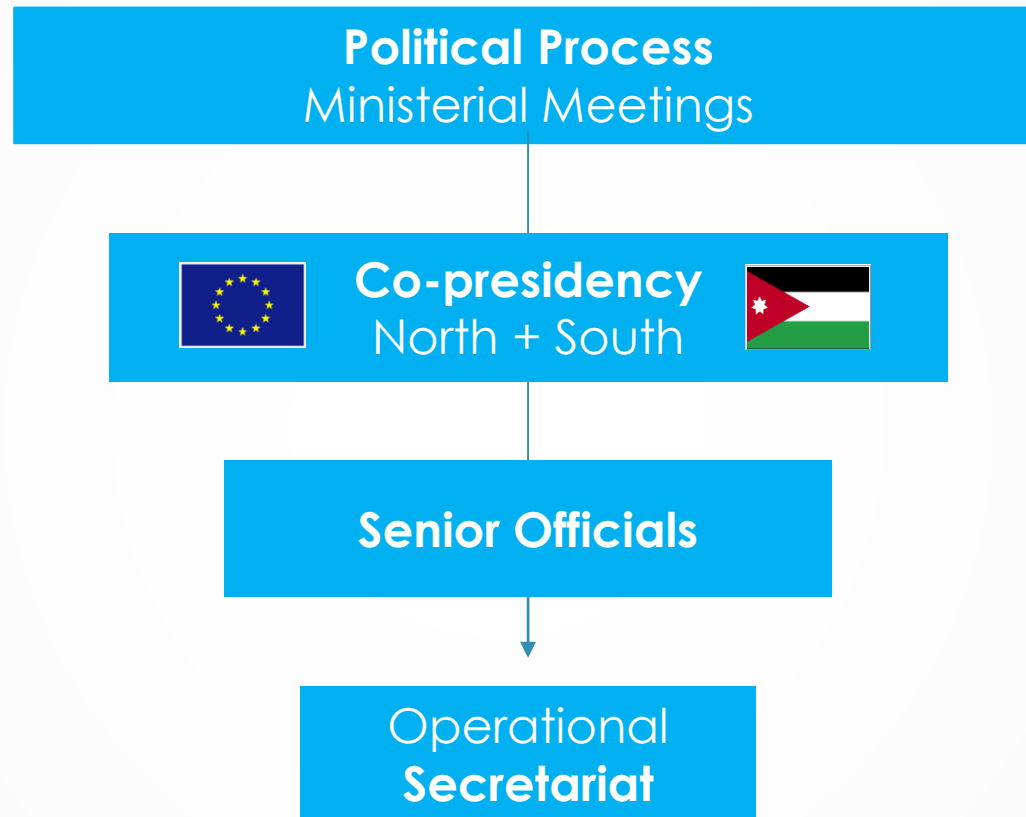


**Women's  
Empowerment**



**Sustainable  
Development &  
Infrastructures**

A governance based on the principle of **co-ownership North/South**



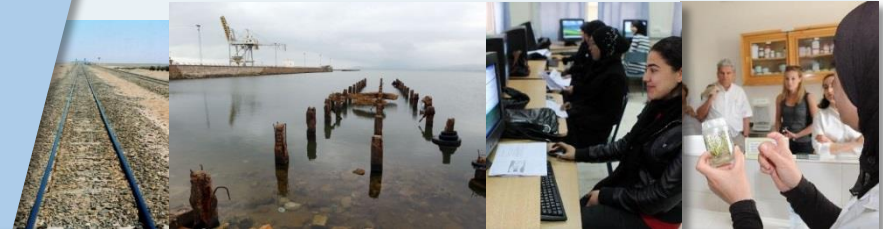
## The mandate of the UfM

A platform for regional & policy dialogue

Promoting the exchange of views, ideas and best practices on regional challenges between relevant Partners and stakeholders

A catalyser for regional projects with strong socio-economic impact

Promoting strategic regional projects as a response to the regional priorities identified



Fostering operational regional cooperation

## UfM Institutional Partners



## Youth Employability & Inclusive Growth

### UFM STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- Providing a **platform for Euro-Mediterranean mobility** and higher education.
- Improving the **quality of vocational training and higher education** in the region
- Strengthening **scientific** integration
  - Increasing youth **employability**.

## Youth Employability & Inclusive Growth

### UfM POLICY FRAMEWORK

- **Ministerial Conferences**

*Higher Education and Research – 2007*

- *Dialogue 5+5 of Ministers of Western Mediterranean countries for Higher Education, Scientific Research and Innovation (2013, 2015)*

- **ENP Review 2015**



### A PLATFORM FOR DIALOGUE

- Frequent high-level meetings & conferences
- Develop a regional vision for mobility



### REGIONAL PROJECTS

Zoom on some projects:

Euro-Mediterranean University of Fès  
High Opportunity for Mediterranean  
Executive Recruitment - HOMERe

### Sara el Khal – HOMERe Beneficiary, Morocco

«The programme made my life much easier as a student and as a young graduate facing the labour market. It has been very easy for me to integrate into the company and finally get recruited.»a

# Youth Employability & Inclusive Growth

## ZOOM ON A PROJECT

### EURO-MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY OF FES

- Objectives**
- Deliver a high standard of multilingual education and research programmes at all university levels
  - **Foster student and researcher mobility** in particular through joint, double, multiple degrees.
  - Increase student employability & business incubation

- Beneficiaries**
- Committed and competent students who will contribute towards transforming the Mediterranean region in their future positions.
  - Highly qualified professors, researchers, administrative and technical staff.

- Results**
- By 2024:
- **6,600** students from the Euro-Mediterranean region, Africa and the Middle East.
  - **80%** of students will be entitled to participate in **mobility programmes abroad**

**Promoter** Ministry of Higher Education, Scientific Research & Executive Training of the Kingdom of Morocco





# Youth Employability & Inclusive Growth

## ZOOM ON A PROJECT

### HIGHER OPPORTUNITY FOR MEDITERRANEAN EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENT (HOMERe)

#### Objectives

- Improve the competencies and employability prospects of talented postgraduates through **internship mobility experiences** in transnational companies in the Mediterranean.
- Enable postgraduates from Southern Countries to access decent job positions in their native countries after the internship.
- Help employers in the Southern Mediterranean to connect with talented young people through the HOMERe network of academic and economic partners

#### Beneficiaries

- Students enrolled in postgraduate education in their final year of study (Master's, Bachelor of Engineering)
- Business and industry multinational companies operating in (through subsidiaries, import/export, etc.) or with development prospects in at least 2 of the 9 participating countries

#### Promoter

- Réseau Méditerranéen des Ecoles d'Ingénieurs (RMEI)

#### LOCATION

- Algeria
- Egypt
- France
- Greece
- Italy
- Lebanon
- Spain
- Morocco
- Tunisia



## Cairo Ministerial Declaration higher education and research

- Setting up a **Euro-Mediterranean higher education and research area**.
- **Facilitating mobility** and employability of students and researchers and supporting the economic development of the region.
  - Studying the possibility of **joint funding** to allow increased participation.
    - Establishing mobility centers and portals.
- Establishing national programmes of mobility and open access to North-South mobility.

## European Neighbourhood Policy review

- Launch dialogue on academic mobility.
  - Step up support for Erasmus +
- Facilitate the **extension of academic mobility** and improve the legal framework for conditions of entry and residence in the EU applicable to ENP nationals.
- Reinforcing regional mobility schemes, including South-South mobility, and of working on circular migration
  - Foster mobility in vocational education and training.
- Support the mobility of European and neighbouring countries' trainees seeking to have a work experience abroad.

Enabling environments (recognition, visas, etc.)

Brain drain / Brain circulation

Sustainability vs project-funding

Current challenges

How to increase the impact ?



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