



One Sea
One Pact
One Future

Pact for the Mediterranean

The European Commission and the High Representative have proposed the Pact for the Mediterranean, an ambitious strategic framework to enhance cooperation and deepen partnerships with the EU Southern Neighborhood.

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 is proposed for political endorsement in November 2025 on the occasion of 30th anniversary of the Barcelona process
- An **Action Plan**, scheduled for the first quarter of 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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