



# EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD



## NEWS

# 100th Project Awarded

### The 100th ENP Twinning project awarded in Morocco

Launched in 1998, the Twinning instrument became one of the principal tools on Institutional Building Accession assistance. From 2004, Twinning was extended by EuropeAid to the Neighbouring Countries ensuring the transfer of European know-how in a practical, hands-on, peer-to-peer manner in the context of a Privileged Partnership.

In order to set up projects, the European Commission relies on the co-operation and administrative experience of Member States. Twinning projects bring together public sector expertise from EU Member States and partner countries with the aim of enhancing co-operative activities and solving particular structural problems. They must yield concrete operational results for the beneficiary country compliant with under the terms of the Association Agreement and the ENPI Action Plans between that country and the EU.

Today, we are celebrating the selection of the 100th project in the Neighbourhood region. This project, to be implemented in Morocco, aims at strengthening of the Public Enterprises Department of the Ministry of Finance in the three strategic fields of public-private partnerships, governance of public enterprises and financial information provided by them. This ambitious twinning project deals with a strategic subject and its success is a key issue with respect to Morocco's long-term economic and social performance. The Member State that will execute the project together with Morocco during a period of 2 years is Germany as project leader together with the UK as junior partner.

Next to the 100th project notified yesterday, there is a total pipeline of around 230 projects in the region. This pipeline covers a wide range of key areas such as finance and internal market, environment, justice and home affairs, energy, transport, trade and industry, agriculture, employment, social affairs, health & consumer protection, etc.

For more information on Twinning, please visit EuropeAid's website:

[http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/where/neighbourhood/overview/twinning\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/where/neighbourhood/overview/twinning_en.htm)

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