The EU provides support to Egypt mainly through the European Neighbourhood Instrument (€320 million for the period from 2014-2016).

**Cooperation Priorities**

- Poverty alleviation
- Local socio-economic development
- Social protection
- Business environment
- Governance
- Transparency
- Quality of life and environment

**Other EU Initiatives or Agreements**

- In addition to the bilateral and regional programmes under the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI), partners in Egypt receive funding from EU thematic programmes and instruments, such as the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR), the Civil Society Facility, the Civil Society Organisations and Local Authorities (CSO/LA) programme or the Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI), totalling over €7.5 million for 2014-2016. This funding notably supports civil society organizations in Egypt.
- In the framework of the Neighbourhood Investment Facility (NIF), Egypt benefits from EU grants (over €352 million for the period 2008-2015), that leverage additional concessional loan financing by European Finance Institutions (EFIs). As an example, European Partners inaugurated in November 2015 the Gulf of El Zayt windfarm, the largest in Africa (200 MW).
- Egypt is one of the partners of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership (Euromed) that promotes economic integration and democratic reform.

**Trade & Investment**

The EU is Egypt’s main trading partner.

- €20.5 billion in imports from the EU
- €7.3 billion in exports to the EU

**Key Milestones**

- 2001: The EU and Egypt sign an Association Agreement.
- 2016: The EU and Egypt initiated a dialogue on future Partnership Priorities in line with the revised European Neighbourhood Policy.

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