

PROSPECTS JORDAN

Netherlands Strategic Partnership with IFC - ILO - UNHCR - UNICEF - WB to Improve Prospects for Refugees and Host Communities.

OVERVIEW

Prospects is a global partnership that aims to improve the access of host communities and refugees to quality education, social protection, and decent work. It is funded by the **Kingdom of the Netherlands**, and implemented by **IFC, ILO, UNHCR, UNICEF, and the World Bank**. Jordan is one of the eight countries included in Prospects. Following the first four years of implementation, Prospects has transitioned into the second four year phase, starting from 2024. The Netherlands continues to support our partners' work in education, employment, and protection, now with water as an additional area of focus in Jordan. Our partners work in close coordination with Jordanian authorities. Prospects promotes resilience and social cohesion in Jordanian communities.

Prospects in Jordan		
	Phase 1	Phase 2
Period	2019 - 2023	2024 - 2027
Budget	80 million USD	98 million USD
Partners	IFC, ILO, UNHCR, UNICEF and the World Bank	
Pillars	Education Employment Social Protection	Education Employment Social Protection WASH
Target Groups	Refugees and host communities (with a specific focus on youth and women)	

PILLARS



Education & Training

Quality education **reduces inequalities** - it enables young people to realize their **full potential** and take control of their future. Prospects supports strengthening the entire educational system, from training teachers to providing tools for basic education, life skills, and Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) to both refugees and vulnerable Jordanians. The partnership ensures that the education youth receive is aligned with and closely connected to the technical, vocational, and personal skills required by the labor market. This focus on education will ease young people's **transition from school to the job** market and allow them to become self-reliant and contributing members of their communities.



Employment & Livelihoods

Employment opportunities allow individuals to lead **productive** lives and support themselves and their families. Prospects strives to increase the opportunities for refugees and vulnerable Jordanian youth accessing decent and dignified employment opportunities. The partnership supports the growth of the **private sector** in Jordan by increasing access to finance, improving work conditions, and supporting entrepreneurship and business start-ups that engage both Jordanians and refugees.



Protection

Social protection can **alleviate poverty** and **inequality**. Prospects partners work with the Government of Jordan to enhance and develop social assistance programs, social security coverage and social services for refugees and vulnerable Jordanian communities. The partnership also supports the continuation of access to registration and legal documentation for refugees, allowing them to access their legal rights in Jordan. Partners work includes strengthening the national child protection systems in Jordan to protect children from **all kinds of violence and vulnerabilities**.



WASH

Access to clean water and sanitation is **fundamental** to everyone's **health, dignity, and prosperity**. Prospects will focus on improving water resources management in line with Jordan's water sector priorities for the next decade. The partnership will work on **improving access to sustainable water and sanitation** services for some of the most vulnerable populations in Jordan, including refugees. Prospects partners aim to strengthen systems and develop capacities with local counterparts to increase climate resilience, ensure equitable access to services, and improve operational efficiencies, including at the camp level.

PARTNERS



Kingdom of the Netherlands

The Government of the Netherlands brings long-term, flexible financial support to operationalize a development response to forced displacement situations. The Netherlands leverages its diplomatic links with the Government of Jordan and other stakeholders to further dialogue and generate an enabling environment for development interventions and to support coordination among Prospects partners. The convening power of the Netherlands also allows other like-minded institutions and partners to share and move toward common goals.



As part of Prospects, the International Finance Corporation aims to help de-risk and increase the financial viability of high impact projects benefiting refugees, and their host communities. The International Finance Corporation's 3.0 Strategy aims to stimulate private sector interventions in challenging geographies and to under-served target groups. IFC brings its experience in unlocking private investment, creating markets and opportunities where needed to support refugees and host communities.



The mission of the ILO within the Prospects framework aligns with its broader mandate to promote decent work and social justice worldwide. The ILO focuses on creating job opportunities, enhancing skills development, and ensuring fair labour practices for both displaced persons and local populations. By advocating for inclusive labour markets and supporting governments, employers and workers, the ILO aims to foster environments where refugees and host community members can thrive economically. Additionally, the organization emphasizes the importance of social protection and labour rights, ensuring that vulnerable groups have access to decent work in accordance with international labour standards, including safe working conditions and social security. Through Prospects, the ILO reaffirms its commitment to advancing dignity and equitable economic opportunities for all, particularly in contexts affected by displacement and conflict.



The UNHCR brings to the partnership its mandated role to lead, coordinate and provide protection, assistance and solutions for refugees and other displaced persons. Its strong field presence and coordination capabilities, its extensive networks and community of partners, and close working relations with refugee authorities in countries of asylum, makes it well placed to implement the types of programming envisaged under this Partnership. UNHCR has led the development of the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR) and Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework (CRRF), and will use this Partnership to further advantage and maximize the synergies being created by various initiatives in the humanitarian-development space.



Working with Prospects, UNICEF is helping to build a better world for both refugee and host community children and young people through improved access to education and learning, protection services, social protection, skills building and engagement initiatives, entrepreneurship and training opportunities and career counselling. Leveraging UNICEF's strengths in supporting the most vulnerable children with evidence-based programming before, during and after a crisis, as well as advocating for improved policies and legislation that support children's rights and sustainable development, the multi-year Prospects partnership is helping to empower and build the resilience of communities in Jordan.



Prospects provides a dedicated forum to focus on key issues relevant to the World Bank's forced displacement portfolio and a collaborative platform for partners' dialogue and active communications. The World Bank's comparative advantage stems from its ability to make long-term commitments addressing underlying structural issues through analytical and advisory work and larger investment interventions to ensure the sustainability of outcomes. Building on this, the World Bank programs Prospects resources as an integral part of a broader program addressing forced displacement and facilitating policy dialogue within Jordan.

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