

# German Technical Cooperation (GTZ)

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The GTZ is an international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development with worldwide operations. Our experts offer comprehensive advisory services that provide viable, forward-looking solutions for political, economic, ecological, and social development in a globalised world. The GTZ promotes complex reforms and change processes, often working under difficult conditions. Our corporate objective is to bring sustainable improvements to people's living conditions.

## Corporate profile

The GTZ is organised as a private company owned by the German Federal Government. The German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) is our major client. Other clients and partners include the United Nations, the World Bank, the European Union, and many bilateral donors. We work on a public benefit basis, using all funds generated as profits exclusively for projects in international cooperation. Our vision: We successfully promote international cooperation that contributes to sustainable development throughout the world. Our company is strengthening its position in the global market for international cooperation services.

## Sustainable development

All GTZ projects aim to improve the working conditions and the prospects of individuals in partner countries on a long-term basis. Sustainable development in the work GTZ undertakes means:

- Supporting successful economic growth in partner countries, in order to generate more wealth
- Ensuring equality of opportunity between rich and poor, North and South, women and men
- Utilising natural resources for the benefit of humanity today so that they are preserved for future generations

## Capacity development

Capacity development - as the GTZ sees it - strengthens the performance capabilities of individuals, organisations, and societies. People increase their basic knowledge and acquire skills that enable them to assume a role in society. "Capacity Development: empowering partners, promoting potential," is the slogan for holistic competency development, which the GTZ regards as the key to sustainable development. GTZ aims to join the current debate on capacity development, to contribute to a definition of the concept, to share experiences, to explain its approach, and to discuss the limitations of that approach.

## The way we work

Technical Cooperation (TC) has the task of developing the capacities of individuals,

organisations and societies in the partner countries. Through technical cooperation, Germany transfers technical, economic and organisational knowledge and skills. It takes into particular account the need to involve civil society and to empower women in partner countries.

TC embraces the following inputs, although the list is by no means exhaustive:

- Advisory services provided by experts in the relevant field
- Financing of advisory services (for instance within the framework of programme-oriented joint financing)
- Institution-building and capacity development for project-executing organisations
- Provision of equipment and materials to equip facilities receiving assistance
- Inputs in the form of studies and specialized reports.

These inputs are used primarily to support programmes geared to meet the needs of



the poor or the poorest sections of the population. Programmes focus on those fields and those regions that have been identified as priority areas of bilateral development cooperation with the partner country in question. They are planned and implemented in close consultation with financial cooperation measures and other instruments of German development cooperation.

German input is a contribution to the projects and programmes of the partners. Technical cooperation supplements the

independent efforts of these facilities or institutions, but it cannot replace them.

### **Priority area of activity in Jordan**

Building on 30 years of experience in Jordan, the GTZ brings together the skills of German experts and our partners. The GTZ consultancy services span a wide range of activities and focuses on one priority area that has been identified by the German-Jordanian governments namely the Management of Water Resources. Within this priority area, the GTZ conducts different components in cooperation with Jordanian partners such as ministries. Components have been identified by the Jordanian Government and are mutually developed in a German-Jordanian partnership.

Other areas of activities in Jordan are the Management of Public Expenditures project as well as some regional and sector projects.



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