UNODC is supporting Libya in strengthening crime prevention and criminal justice, preventing and combating transnational organized crime (especially human trafficking and migrant smuggling, including of women and children), corruption and terrorism. It also supports Libya on drugs and health matters.

UNODC in Libya is dedicated to expanding and strengthening its partnerships and collaborative efforts with a wide range of stakeholders, including the ministries of Foreign Affairs, Interior, Justice, Finance, Social affairs, Health, Education, High Education, Youth, Defence, Transportation, and more.

The UNODC Office in Libya is part of the UNODC Regional Office for the Middle East and North Africa (ROMENA). UNODC’s work in Libya and the region is guided by the Regional Framework for the Arab States 2023-2028. The Framework sets out UNODC’s mission to contribute to peace and security, human rights, and development by making the region safer from drugs, crime, corruption, and terrorism, including by reducing violence and inequalities within society.

### Ongoing Projects' Total Budget*

12 million US$

*For the year 2023
Ongoing Projects

Countering organized crime, human trafficking and migrant smuggling and strengthening border management
- Strengthening North African Capacities to Safeguard and Assist Migrants by Combating Smuggling and Human Trafficking within Irregular Migration Dynamics. Partners: Ministries of Interior, Justice, Social Affairs, Health, amongst others. This is supported by the Kingdom of the Netherlands.
- Support for Maritime Safety and Security Management in Libya to address all forms of transnational organized crime in line with human rights principles. Partners: Ministries of Interior, Defense, Finance, Transportation, amongst others. This is supported by the European Union (EU).
- Establishing Reliable Forensic Services and Chain of Custody in Libyan Justice System to Combat Drug Trafficking and Enhance Case Resolution. Partners: Ministries of Interior and of Justice. This is supported by the United States of America (USA).
- Container Control Programme: Enhancing Port Control Unit Capabilities for Secure Supply Chain Management in Tripoli and Misrata. Partners: Ministries of Finance and of Transportation. This is funded by the USA.
- Strengthening the National and Legal Institutional Capacities of Libya through a Multi-Sectoral Drug Control Assistance. Partner: Ministry of Interior. This is supported by the Government of Libya.

Anti-corruption
- Building Libya’s National Capacity to Prevent and Combat Corruption and Money Laundering (with UNICRI). Partners: Ministries of Interior, Justice, Education, High Education, the Central Bank of Libya, amongst others. This is supported by the EU.
- Strengthening the private sector’s capacity to prevent corruption and enhance integrity in the Arab Countries. Partners: National Economic Development Board, the private sector, amongst others. This is funded through the Siemens Integrity Initiative.

Justice for children
- Ensuring Child-Friendly Justice for All Children in Libya (with UNDP and UNICEF). Partners: Ministries of Justice and of Social Affairs. This is supported by the EU.

Youth
- Strengthening resilience among youth against crime, violence, drugs, and related problems in the MENA region. Partners: Ministry of Youth, Social Affairs and more. This is funded by Germany.

Previous Projects

Funded by the Government of Libya:
- Assistance for promoting transparency and integrity and strengthening the anti-corruption measures in Libya.
- Strengthening the capacity of the Libyan Anti Narcotic and Psychotropic Substance Agency through a Multi-Sectoral Drug Control Assistance.
- Strengthening the national and legal institutional capacities of the Great Libyan Jamahiriya through Multi-Sectoral drug control assistance.
- Development of the juvenile justice system in the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.
- Strengthening the HIV prevention and care response among people who inject drugs and supporting drug demand reduction services among vulnerable populations in Libya.
- Support to the Process of Criminal Justice Reform.

Funded by the European Union:
- Dismantling Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Criminal Networks in North Africa.

Funded by the United Nations:
- Upholding the right of people who use drugs and living in close settings in Libya to health and quality HIV, Viral Hepatitis, STIs and Covid-19 prevention, and care services.

Funded by the Kingdom of the Netherlands:
- Supporting prison reform in Libya, under the guiding principle of rehabilitation and social integration.

Funded by Sweden:
- Strengthening Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Responses to Violence against Women.
- HIV and AIDS Prevention, Treatment, Care and Support among people who use drugs and living in closed settings.

UNODC, as a UN entity in Libya, operates within the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework. The Cooperation Framework represents the overarching partnership framework for peacebuilding and development cooperation between the UN and the government of Libya for the period 2023—2025.

Total beneficiaries (including female):*

*Starting 2021 - August 2023 (Q4 2023 not included). Beneficiaries include: Law enforcement officers such as police, customs; judges, prosecutors, lawyers, prison personnel, social and health workers.

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