

<b>Total Budget:</b>	<b>USD 3,115,000</b>		
<b>Budget by Agency:</b>	IOM: 440,305 UNDP: 721,874 FAO: 678,863	ILO: 615,159 UNIDO: 658,799	
<b>Participating Gov. Entities:</b>	Ministry of Employment and Professional Insertion of Youth Ministry of Agriculture Ministry of Industry and technology Ministry of Secondary education Government of Kef, Gafsa, and Grand Tunis		
<b>Start Date:</b>	13 May 2009	<b>Approval Date:</b>	10 November 2008
<b>Est. End Date:</b>	13 May 2012	<b>Signature Date:</b>	15 December 2008
<b>Disbursements:</b>	First Disbursement: Second Disbursement: Third Disbursement:	13 May 2009	USD 901,467
<b>In Brief:</b>	The overall objective of the programme is to support Tunisia in its efforts to develop and enhance regional capacities in migration-prone areas, through the sustainable creation of decent jobs and the promotion of local competencies in the pilot regions of El-Kef, Gafsa and Tunis. The programme proposes differentiated interventions adapted to the varying needs of two target groups i) unemployed university graduates and ii) unemployed unskilled youth. This will be achieved through: 1) enhancing national and regional capacities to develop, implement, coordinate and monitor regional employment and migration policies and programs; 2) innovative entrepreneurship promotion and job creation schemes including a circular migration mechanism for the targeted youth of the pilot regions. The UN will implement the programme through a network of governmental and non-governmental partners, with capacity building cross-cutting all interventions.		

**Outcomes:**

- Youth and employment migration policies and programs better adapted to the labour market trends and the specific needs of unemployed university graduates and unemployed low skilled youth in the three target regions (Tunis, El Kef, Gafsa).
- University graduates have better access to decent job opportunities and engage in the creation of SMEs in the target regions (Tunis, El Kef, Gafsa).
- Low skilled young men and women from El-Kef, Tunis and Gafsa have access to better Employment and migration support services and decent job opportunities.



<b>Regions of Intervention:</b>	• Tunis, El Kef, and Gafsa	
<b>MDGs</b>	MDG1 T1.B	
<b>Beneficiaries</b>	<b>Direct</b>	<b>Indirect</b>

• <b>No. Institutions</b>	78	15
• <b>No. Women</b>	520	3,000
• <b>No. Men</b>	940	3,000
• <b>No. ethnic groups</b>	0	0

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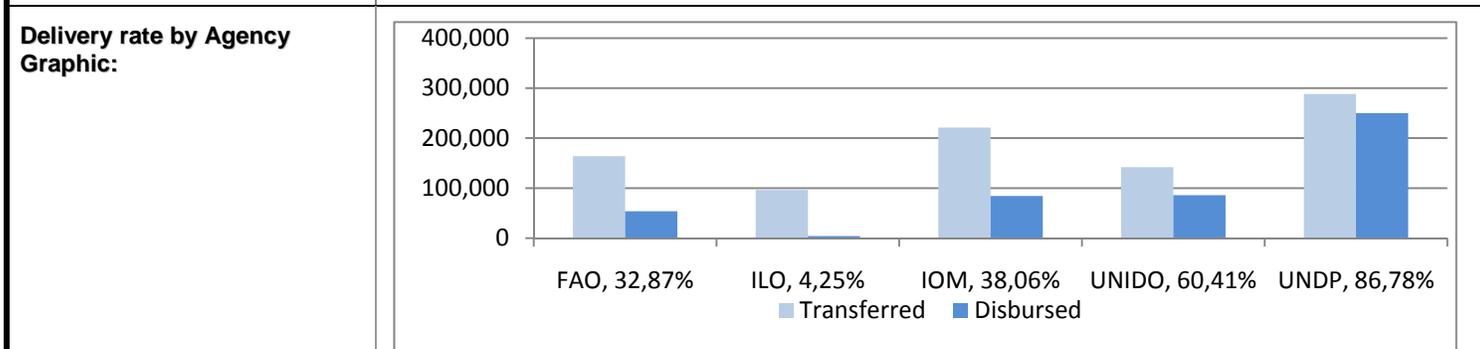
**Status**

The pace of implementation is still relatively low marked by the slow start up phase of the joint programme. Progress to date has mainly focused on strengthening the internal institutional capacities through specific studies, technical assistance, development of new methodologies for employment trend analysis.

The latest monitoring report reassures the Secretariat that the ingredients for the acceleration of programme implementation are in place: execution of ILO component, nomination of regional focal points, a clear division of labour among UN agencies, the inclusiveness of all relevant regional partners in the mechanisms for decision making, and the existence of a more rigorous monitoring system in place.

**Estimated financial execution status as of the June 30, 2010 biannual report:**

<b>Disbursed Budget:</b>	<b>Committed Budget:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15.34 % over the Total approved budget</li> <li>• 52.44 % over transferred budget</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24.91 % over the Total approved budget</li> <li>• 85.13 % over transferred budget</li> </ul>



**Main Achievements:**

Outcome 1: Some of achievements to date include: the employment survey/analysis in Gafsa, Tunis and Kef and the institutional support in place to the regional observatories for employment; specific modules of training being taught on raising *escargot* and distillation of medicinal and aromatic plants; and series of training of trainers on business creation and employment and migration.

Other important achievements

Does the JP incorporate gender considerations in the **activities/outputs/outcomes**? (example)

Does the JP include gender specific **indicators** in the monitoring plan?(example)

Does the JP mention gender relationships as part of the **challenges** analyzed? (specify)