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Baden-Württemberg – Tunisia

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**In cooperation with the GIZ programme**  
German-Tunisian Academy for Good Governance

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**Responsible ministry**  
State Ministry of Baden-Württemberg

This project helps to achieve the following  
Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):



The project aims to strengthen the theoretical and practical knowledge of students of the National School of Administration in Tunis, Tunisia.

## Strengthening Public Participation and Modern Administrative Structures

### Local situation

Ten years after the Jasmine Revolution, Tunisia still faces major social and economic challenges. However, it has initiated a change process towards modern, citizen-responsive administrative structures and good governance. The focus lies on strengthening local authorities and expanding municipal public services. The success of this difficult transformation mainly depends on the political and administrative decision-makers involved.

### Cooperation arrangements

GIZ has been cooperating with Tunisia in the area of good governance on behalf of BMZ since 2015. The project under the German Government and Federal States Programme (German: Bund-Länder-Programm, BLP) complements the German-Tunisian Academy for Good Governance project. The aim of the BLP project is to strengthen the theoretical

*“Using concrete examples from Baden-Württemberg, prospective administrative officers are shown how democracy and good governance can be put into practice in Tunisia.”*

**Timo Peters,**  
State Ministry of Baden-Württemberg



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Best practices from Baden-Württemberg are to be transferred to Tunisian administrative structures.

and practical knowledge of future Tunisian administrative specialists and managers in democratic participation processes. It cooperates with the Ecole Nationale d'Administration de Tunis (ENA), the training centre for Tunisian administrative officers. The technical implementation partner in Germany is the University of Public Administration in Kehl.

### What we are doing – and how

The aim of the German-Tunisian administrative exchange project was to enable selected ENA students to undertake their compulsory internship abroad at a municipal authority in Baden-Württemberg. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, the internship in Baden-Württemberg had to be replaced by a six-week Autumn School. This is held online and focuses on the topic of women in management positions. Guided by Kehl University, participants get to know political participation processes on the basis of good practice examples from Baden-Württemberg. They also have the opportunity to engage in direct dialogue with local government politicians and representatives of ministries and municipalities. The aim of the Autumn School for the students is to develop a transfer project, which they can apply to their future activity in Tunisia and present to the other students in a plenary session. The participants are mentored by selected tutors from Baden-Württemberg for the duration of the Autumn School. The BLP's own digital platform enables students to network with all participants from

Baden-Württemberg and gives them continuous access to all learning materials.

Alongside the extensive technical programme, the Autumn School includes a virtual cultural programme and intercultural training. This is designed to provide country-related information and encourage dialogue on cultural standards, social identities and behaviours in Germany and Tunisia.

### Useful links

- More information on the German Government and Federal States Programme:  
<https://www.giz.de/en/worldwide/91262.html>  
<https://bund-laender-programm.de/en>
- More Information on the Ecole Nationale d'Administration de Tunis  
<http://www.ena.tn/fr/>
- More information on the GIZ project German-Tunisian Academy for Good Governance  
<https://www.giz.de/en/worldwide/33316.html>

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