

Team Europe Democracy Initiative

United for Democracy



How can TED support European Union Delegations?

Team Europe Democracy (TED) is an initiative of the European Commission and 14 EU Member States aiming to promote democracy and human rights worldwide by strengthening the coordination and complementarity of European interventions in three thematic areas:

- (I) Accountability & Rule of Law,
- (II) Political & Civic Participation, and
- (III) Media & Digital.

These thematic areas are reflected in the TED Network, which is a platform constituting of EU Member States, EU institutions and like-minded European organisations seeking to engage with each other on democracy promotion. The TED Network has three working groups corresponding to the three TED priority thematic areas, and each working group is co-chaired by EU Member States.

The TED Secretariat, operated jointly by GIZ and Enabel, supports the work of EU Delegations (EUDs) on the above themes in a Team Europe

format and with the backing of a variety of experts in these fields.

Through the support to EUDs, TED contributes to promoting joint initiatives of EUDs and MS at the partner country level in a Team Europe approach. The objective is to strengthen the coordination of European response for democracy support, thereby enhancing the impact of interventions in partner countries.

The Secretariat works with EUDs in TED partner countries. These countries were selected in early 2023 by the 14 EU Member States that constitute the TED Steering Committee and are also members of the TED Network. The selection of partner countries is based on specific TED criteria, which was developed by the TED Secretariat and the TED Coordinator at DG INTPA.

In addition to this selection process, the TED Secretariat has the flexibility to engage with EUDs that proactively seek support from the TED Initiative.

TED's unique approach ensures that the engagement connects back to the headquarters of the EU and Member States through the sharing of lessons learned and best practices in the TED Network, as well as through dialogue with the TED's Steering Committee

TED's engagement with the EUDs is in the form of recurring short-term missions to the country. Our qualified experts provide tailored solutions on democracy support in topics related to the TED thematic areas and in the countries. The experts take stock of lessons learned by actions from wide range of European and other like-minded actors.

Our support include:

- ➔ Facilitating joint messaging and positioning of EU and MS for the promotion of democracy
- ➔ Facilitating in-country EU coordination process on the thematic areas covered by TED
- ➔ Mapping of resources, stakeholders, support actions and relevant networks and implementing partners by EU and MS in the field of democratic governance
- ➔ Consolidating learned lessons, exchanging of EU and MS good examples on democracy support approaches at country level
- ➔ Contributing to the pre-formulation or formulation of joint actions of democracy promotion
- ➔ Developing technical studies, comparative analyses and legal analyses on specific issues relating to democracy and democracy support (including comparison with international frameworks) as requested by EUDs in coordination with MS



Promoting of dialogue and coordination on democracy support among EUD and MS, including support to the drafting of joint intervention logics of TEIs.

In 2023 the TED Initiative will work with six selected partner countries in a demand-driven approach. Other interested countries may be included in the second phase of the project.

How to contact TED?

TED seeks sustained engagement in partner countries over the course of implementation, with the objective of providing context-specific recommendations on democracy. This is adapted for short-term consultancy. We apply the most up-to-date evidence on democracy support. We leverage the expertise of EU Member States and combine it with local knowledge.

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