

Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Matching Grants (EEMG)

Building the Palestinian Economy by Supporting Innovative Start-Up Enterprises and Creating Investment Opportunities

At a Glance

EEMG is specialized fund designed to improve the number and quality of investment-ready entrepreneurship initiatives by enhancing the capacity of enterprises to absorb funding from the investment vehicles already in place.

The matching grant funds would be used to finance business development support services (BDS) for entrepreneurs and will also finance capacity building to prospective IF applicants. This intervention would free up the capital of the various investment intermediary entities to focus on the financing and implementation of projects rather than the handholding of entrepreneurs.

The EEMG would provide ‘wholesale’ funding through 0.7:0.3 (F4J Project Implementation Agency: IF) matching grants to IF management companies to assist them in developing investment pipelines by improving enterprises’ ability to develop viable investment opportunities and high-quality business plans.

Objective

- Mobilize private capital in the West Bank and Gaza by filling a gap in the entrepreneurship ecosystem that exists between support services often provided by donors and the development of a steady stream of investment-ready startups that could benefit from these services.

EEMG Working Mechanism

