FROM NATIONAL COORDINATION TO ADVANCING SOUTH-SOUTH AND TRIANGULAR COOPERATION IN PALESTINE & THE ARAB WORLD

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Current Status of SSC Coordination

- **Joint Stock Taking Exercise** with the UN. The exercise revealed:
  - Governmental Institutions, CSOs, the Private Sector & UN were substantially engaged in SSC.
  - Our greatest partners are in the Arab world.
  - There is great potential of further cooperation with the Arab world.

- **MOPAD** coordinates over 85 donors support & Development cooperation

- **MOFA**, 97 missions, consulates and embassies. 71 of which are in the developing countries, including all Arab Countries.

### Partners of SS&TC for Palestinian organizations

- Arab states including Arab funds: 83%
- United Nations agencies: 50%
- Other developing countries: 39%
- Bilateral donors: 36%
- Other: 19%
Challenges and Opportunities

Challenges
- A Lack of a comprehensive overall knowledge of the various initiatives
- A low level of awareness of the concept of SS&TC.
- A Lack of an information sharing, synergy, and coordination mechanism.
- Financial constraints and the absence of general and unified funding mechanism.
- The Israeli occupation

Opportunities
- Abundance of existing Coordination Mechanisms
- Palestine is willing and able to be a contributor, in addition to a recipient
- Expatriates and diaspora
- Improved economic prospects
- Strengthen & broaden regional linkages (Geography, language and Culture)
SSC and National Coordination

Why do we need National Coordination on SSC?
- Share knowledge & best practices
- Share and coordinate networks, skills, and experiences
- Coordinate initiatives to mitigate duplication and fragmentation
- Allows us to work on removing impediments

How do we do it?
- Form a National committee comprising of all sectors in society. (Public & Private Sector, CSOs & Academia, etc.)
- Utilize existing sector working, and strategy groups to coordinate efforts
- Establish mechanism of outreach through missions abroad.
From National Coordination to Regional Cooperation

- Improve regional access, in order to assist each other to become socio-economically vibrant.
- Our missions will be the conduit for strengthening & fostering people to people, state to state, & knowledge exchanges.
- Will utilize already established mechanisms to further improve SSC between countries. (Arab League, OIC, GCC, etc.)

Recommendations for Regional Cooperation

- DG’s of development cooperation meet on a semi-annually basis to put together an action & monitoring results-based plan with tangible development indicators for SSC.
- High ranking politicians participate in the meetings.
- Establish sector based leadership and groups
- Develop linkages with other SSC coordination mechanisms around the world
More than ever before in human history, we share a common destiny. We can master it only if we face it together.

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