



Project Data	
<b>Project Name</b>	Implementation of National Biosafety Framework for Jordan
<b>Main Objective</b>	There should be a practical and transparent national biosafety framework consistent with Jordan's national priorities and international commitments.
<b>Specific Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Integrate the concept of biosafety into national policies and strategies</li> <li>2. Develop legal legislation to deal with GMOs and their products</li> <li>3. Develop a practical administrative system to deal with requests for the import of any materials containing GMOs</li> <li>4. Develop a convenient monitoring and inspection system</li> <li>5. Activate the clearing of national biosafety information</li> <li>6. Activate public participation and work to raise awareness in this area</li> </ol>
<b>The project justification</b>	The project is a commitment by the Jordanian government to implement the Biosafety Protocol, which Jordan signed in 2000 and ratified it in 2003
<b>Components of the</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Integrate biosafety and the safe use of biotechnology into national sectoral plans and strategies in line with Jordan's national biodiversity strategy and action plan.</li> <li>2. Establish a sound and effective legal system with the participation of all relevant authorities and in line with national legislation, needs and priorities, and the requirements of the Biosafety Protocol.</li> <li>3. Develop the administrative and technical system to deal with requests</li> </ol>

<b>project</b>	<p>for entry of GMOs or their products, conduct risk assessment, and make decisions</p> <p>4. Establish a practical and effective national follow-up system: to monitor environmental impacts, releases of LMOs, and increase national efficiency through the provision of tools for human and institutional capacity-building.</p> <p>5. Establish a national system of public participation, education, awareness and accessibility of information regarding GMOs.</p>					
<b>Starting Date</b>	2011 However, the project was implemented for one year and stopped	The project was re-started as of 3/10/2019	The project ends in 2021			
<b>Funding Agency</b>	GEF - UNEP					
<b>Project Budget</b>	<p>GEF : \$ 884,000</p> <p>Jordan: Approximately US \$ 900,000 (in kind)</p>					
<b>Payments</b>	2011		2018		2019	
	General budget	Grant	General budget	Grant	General budget	Grant
		132000		200000		
<b>The current status of the project</b>	In process					
<b>Expected Outputs</b>	<p>Political awareness and awareness of biosafety. Finalization of the draft biosafety law. Finalizing the establishment of an administrative and institutional system to deal with import and export applications. National capacity building. Activating public participation.</p>					

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