

IDEAL PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES



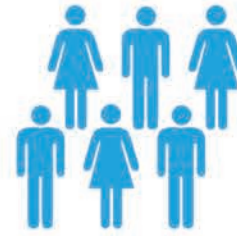
People's quality of life has been deteriorating within the Palestinian Territories, ...



one in three face food insecurity



... with youth unemployment in Gaza becoming particularly worrying.



58% of Gaza's youth faces unemployment



Roads, checkpoints and the separation wall divide the West Bank into isolated communities, hindering economic development and private investment.

Poor economic performance reduces municipal tax revenues, ...

... while local youth is experiencing ongoing frustration, loss of hope and increasing radicalization due to low job opportunities.

Municipalities are strapped for cash to fulfill their mandate ...

... and communities lose faith in local governments to meet their needs.



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INCLUSIVE DECISIONS AT LOCAL LEVEL

This is where the IDEAL programme comes in.

For example, through VNG International's benchmarking tool, IDEAL will bring together Palestinian local governments to learn from each other on LED and involving citizens.

We support a core group of 5 local governments and provide training to 10 more ...

... to support them in developing a joint approach with their communities to create job opportunities and employment.

