



## Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics

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### Memorandum of Understanding

Between

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

And

The Office for National Statistics (ONS)

United Kingdom

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) and the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) wish to deepen their bilateral cooperation in statistics under the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding.

#### **Objective**

To promote statistical development and maximise the sharing of statistical achievements between Palestine and the United Kingdom through meaningful consultation, the parties to this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) agree to:

- I. Cooperate in areas of mutual interest such as:
  - Communication & Dissemination
  - Data science
  - Data analysis
  - Data quality
  - Data stewardship
  
- II. Carry out cooperation in the form of projects. Project activities will be conducted through remote communication and/or the exchange of expert visits, and can include sharing of experience and best practise, holding of workshops and training events, and mentoring. They may also include working with other mutual partners, for example the UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia and other National Statistical Institutes, where mutually agreed.



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- III. Jointly agree a plan of project activities based on the areas of mutual interest under this MoU. Terms of reference for any visit will be agreed between the parties in advance.

### **General Provision**

This MoU is not legally binding and creates no enforceable rights or obligations on behalf of either party.

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by written acceptance of both parties. Each party agrees to give full consideration to any proposal for any amendment proposed.

ONS will bear the reasonable costs of all international travel and accommodation, as required to undertake activities under this MoU and according to UK government regulations. Any party hosting a visit will organise meeting venues and an appropriate agenda, in line with the terms of reference.

### **Entry into Effect and Termination**

This MoU shall enter into force from the date of signature of both parties and remain in force until end of April 2023 unless terminated earlier in writing by either party. The MoU is eligible for extension until end of March 2025, upon agreement of both parties.

### **Signature**

This MoU was signed on 27th September 2022 in London by

#### **On behalf of**

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics

#### **On behalf of**

Office for National Statistics

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Dr Ola Awad

President of Palestinian Central Bureau of  
Statistics

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Prof. Sir. Ian Diamond

National Statistician