

SME/PSD Policy Advisory Services: Algeria, Jordan, Morocco, Syria, Yemen and Egypt

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Contracted by IDRC to participate in a study to assess the SME/PSD policy and research contexts in the MENA region. The study is conducted in Algeria, Jordan, Morocco, Syria, Yemen, and Tunisia or Turkey with the aim of identifying opportunities for SME and Private Sector development policy and research capacity support through a regional intervention. Assessment covers government entities, key donor organizations, research community and other relevant stakeholder groups in the selected countries to identify institutional readiness and existing state of SME/PSD interventions, as well as cross-country comparisons to identify commonalities where a regional focus would be beneficial. Scope of work also includes the development of concrete options and recommendations for a regional SME/PSD policy initiative, in addition to identifying potential donor partners for this effort.

