

Acronyms and Abbreviations

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| AECI: | Spanish Agency for International Cooperation |
| AfDB: | African Development Bank |
| AHDR: | Arab Human Development Report |
| AIDS: | Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome |
| All: | Adriatic-Ionic Initiative |
| AKP: | Justice and Development Party (TR) |
| AMERM: | Association Marocaine d'Études et de Recherches sur les Migrations |
| AMU: | Arab Maghreb Union |
| APEM: | Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly |
| APFW: | Arab Press Freedom Watch |
| ASCAME: | Association of the Mediterranean Chambers of Commerce and Industry |
| ASSURB: | Associazione Nazionale degli Urbanisti e dei Pianificatori Territoriali e Ambientali (IT) |
| AWCR: | Arab World Competitiveness Report |
| BMF: | Mediterranean Franchise Forum |
| BNF: | Barcelona Business and Franchise Exhibition |
| CAP: | Common Agricultural Policy |
| CARDS: | Community Assistance for Reconstruction, Development and Stabilization |
| CEDEM: | Center for Democracy and Human Rights (Montenegro) |
| CEEC: | Central and Eastern European Countries |
| CEMR: | Council of European Municipalities and Regions |
| CENTCOM: | United States Central Command |
| CERMAC: | Center for Research and Studies on the Contemporary Arab World |
| CESR: | Center for Economic and Social Rights |
| CETMO: | Transport Study Center for the Western Mediterranean |
| CFA: | African Financial Community |
| CFSP: | Common Foreign and Security Policy |
| CHP: | Republican People's Party (TR) |
| CIA: | Central Intelligence Agency (US) |
| CIHEAM: | International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies |
| CIS: | Commonwealth of Independent States |
| CNN: | Cable News Network |
| COPPEM: | Standing Committee for the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership of Local and Regional Authorities |
| CPRM: | Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions of Europe |
| CREAD: | Centre de Recherche en Economie Appliquée pour le Développement |
| CSIC: | Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (ES) |
| DAC: | Development Assistance Committee (OECD) |
| DBM: | Mediterranean Dance Network |
| EAMS: | EuroArab Management School |

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| EAPC: | Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council |
| ECA: | United Nations Economic Commission for Africa |
| ECE: | United Nations Economic Commission for Europe |
| EEA: | European Economic Area |
| EFTA: | European Free Trade Association |
| EIB: | European Investment Bank |
| EMFTA: | Euro-Mediterranean Free Trade Area |
| EMHRN: | Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Network |
| EMP: | Euro-Mediterranean Partnership |
| EMTO: | Euro Mediterranean Tourism Organization |
| EMWIS: | Euro-Mediterranean Information System on the know-how in the Water sector |
| EP: | European Parliament |
| ESCWA: | United Nation Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia |
| ESDP: | European Security and Defence Policy |
| ETA: | Euskadi and Freedom |
| ETUC: | European Trade Union Confederation |
| ETUF: | Euromed Trade Union Forum |
| EU: | European Union |
| EUISS: | European Union Institute for Security Studies |
| EURO-MED PACTE: | Partnership, Action, Cooperation, and Transfer of Experience for the development of the Mediterranean and Europe |
| EUROMED: | Euro-Mediterranean |
| FAO: | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations |
| FDI: | Foreign Direct Investment |
| FEMEC: | Euromediterranean Forum of Cultures |
| FEMIP: | Facility for Euro-Mediterranean Investment and Partnership |
| FEMISE: | Forum of Euro-Mediterranean Economic Institutes |
| FIDH: | International Federation for Human Rights |
| FITUR: | International Tourism Trade Fair |
| FLNC: | National Liberation Front of Corsica |
| FRY: | Federal Republic of Yugoslavia |
| FSMed: | Mediterranean Social Forum |
| FTA: | Free Trade Area |
| GAFTA: | Greater Arab Free Trade Area |
| GATS: | General Agreement on Trade in Services |
| GATT: | General Agreement on Tariffs of Trade |
| GCC: | Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf |
| GDP: | Gross Domestic Product |
| GNP: | Gross National Product |
| GTMO: | Transport Group of the Western Mediterranean |
| GWP: | Global Water Partnership |
| HIV: | Human Immunodeficiency Virus |
| IAEA: | International Atomic Energy Agency |
| ICAEN: | Catalan Institute of Energy |
| ICATU: | International Confederation of Arab Trade Unions |
| ICC: | International Criminal Court |
| ICFTU: | International Confederation of Free Trade Unions |
| ICMPD: | International Centre for Migration Policy Development |
| IDF: | Israel Defensive Forces |
| IEA: | International Energy Agency |
| ILO: | International labour Organization |

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| IMED: | Mediterranean Institute (IT) |
| IMEDOC: | Western Mediterranean Islands |
| IMF: | International Monetary Fund |
| INBO: | International Network of Basin Organizations |
| INSEE: | National Institute for Statistics and Economic Studies (FR) |
| IOM: | International Organization for Migration |
| IPCC: | Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change |
| ISO: | International Organization for Standardization |
| ITU: | International Telecommunication Organization |
| IUCN: | The World Conservation Union |
| MAB: | UNESCO's Programme on Man and the Biosphere |
| MAP: | Mediterranean Action Plan |
| MCSD: | Mediterranean Commission on Sustainable Development |
| MEDITUR: | Mediterranean Tourism Forum |
| MENA: | Middle East & North Africa |
| MENBO: | Mediterranean Network of Basin Organisations |
| MEPI: | Middle East Partnership Initiative (US) |
| METAP: | Mediterranean Environmental Technical Assistance Program |
| MINURSO: | United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara |
| MMSH: | Maison Méditerranéenne des Sciences de l'Homme (FR) |
| MPC: | Mediterranean Partner Countries |
| MSPA: | Mediterranean Specially Protected Area |
| MUWMP: | Mediterranean Urban Waste Management Programme |
| NABDF: | North Africa Business & Development Forum |
| NAFTA: | North American Free Trade Agreement |
| NATO: | North Atlantic Treaty Organisation |
| NESTEAR: | Nouveaux Espaces de Transport en Europe -Application de Recherche |
| NFP: | National Focus Point |
| NGO: | Non-governmental organizations |
| NIP: | National Indicative Programme |
| OECD: | Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development |
| OPEC: | Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries |
| OWHC: | Organization of World Heritage Cities |
| PDCC: | Policy Dialogue and Coordination Committee |
| PDVSA: | Petróleos de Venezuela |
| PHARE: | Poland and Hungary Assistance for the Restructuring of the Economy (EU) |
| PKK: | Kurdistan Workers' Party |
| PNA: | Palestinian National Authority |
| R & D: | Research and Development |
| RELEX: | Commission for External Relations |
| REMSH: | Network of Research Centres in Human Sciences on the Mediterranean Area |
| RMA: | Resident Moroccans abroad |
| RMSU: | Regional Management and Support Unit |
| SARS: | Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome |
| SEMC: | Southern and Eastern Mediterranean Countries |
| SESRTCIC: | Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries |
| SFRY: | Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia |
| SFU: | Société Française des Urbanistes |
| SIA: | Sustainability Impact Assessment |
| SIL: | International Logistics Exhibition |
| SMAP: | Short and Medium-Term Priority Environmental Action Programme |

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| SME: | Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises |
| SNED: | Société Nationale d'Etudes du Détroit (MA) |
| SOPEMI: | Continuous Reporting System on Migrations (OECD) |
| TACIS: | Technical Assistance to the Community of Independent States (EU) |
| TEN: | Trans-European Networks |
| TMC: | Third Mediterranean Countries |
| UMCE: | Union of Mediterranean Confederations of Enterprises |
| UN: | United Nations |
| UNCTAD: | United Nations Conference on Trade and Development |
| UNDP: | United Nations Development Programme |
| UNEP: | United Nations Environment Programme |
| UNESCO: | United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization |
| UNFPA: | United Nations Population Fund |
| UNHCR: | United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees |
| UNICE: | Union of Industrial and Employers' Confederations of Europe |
| UNIDO: | United Nations Industrial Development Organization |
| UNMIK: | United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo |
| UNMOVIC: | United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission |
| USA: | United States of America |
| USSR: | Union of Soviet Socialist Republics |
| USTMA: | Trade Union Confederation of Arab Maghreb Workers |
| VAT: | Value-added tax |
| WSF: | World Social Forum |
| WTO: | World Tourism Organization |
| WTO: | World Trade Organization |
| ZEF: | Center for Development Research (University of Bonn) |