

Current KfW involvement in Syria

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How KfW is dealing with the situation after the regime change in Syria



KfW is closely monitoring developments in Syria following the fall of the Assad regime and is in close dialogue with the German government. Through KfW, the German Federal Government is providing initial additional financing to help stabilise Syria and help society make a fresh start.

According to its eight-point plan, the German government's future support for Syria will be based on the following priorities

- The peaceful transition to an inclusive political system that grants rights and participation to all groups;
- coming to terms with the Assad era;
- social cohesion;
- infrastructure to provide basic services to the population.

KfW's involvement since the beginning of the civil war in 2011 has been focussed on crisis management for the people affected and local structures. KfW provides support in areas such as water supply and sanitation, education, child

protection, employment promotion, social cohesion and food security. Implementation was carried out via UN organisations (UNICEF, UNDP, UN-Habitat) and non-governmental organisations (Aga Khan Foundation).

KfW also manages the Syria Recovery Trust Fund (SRTF), which was established in 2013. It contributes to providing basic services to the population in the former opposition areas in north-east and north-west Syria, for example by investing in water and health care or restoring agricultural irrigation systems.



In addition, KfW is using funds from the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) to provide considerable support to Syrian refugees and host communities in the neighbouring countries of Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan and Iraq.

Due to the very high demand and its established partnerships and experience, KfW stands ready to continue its ongoing support for the Syrian population and - where relevant and possible - to adapt and expand it to the changed framework conditions, always in close coordination with the German Federal Government.

KfW Head Office and KfW Office Beirut organise KfW's engagement in Syria. In 2024, KfW committed EUR 79 million from funds provided by the German Federal Government.

The German government has already recently commissioned an additional seven million euros for Syrian civil society projects. Further projects have already been increased in recent months in the context of the refugee movements from Lebanon to Syria.

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