ISRAEL POLICY FORUM

Pragmatic Solutions: Enhancing the Palestinian Economy

Engaging in economic projects and initiatives in the West Bank would improve the standard of living for Palestinians, encourage further economic integration, and lower Palestinian tensions - in addition to laying the foundations for a future two-state reality. To accomplish these goals, IPF and its partners promote the following low-risk policies:



Ease restrictions on the import and export of Palestinian goods

Without compromising Israeli security, reducing the amount of vehicles checked twice and increasing export capabilities between the West Bank and Arab World would send positive shockwaves throughout the economy.



Connect Palestinian and Israeli banks via the SWIFT interbank system

Connecting financial institutions with the SWIFT system would incentive further economic integration and mutually beneficial trade opportunities.



Improve Palestinian infrastructure

Building new roads and new water lines would invigorate the Palestinian agricultural sector and PA governance capabilities



Transfer 10% of Area C to Area B 👆

This re-shifting would allow for greater Palestinian territorial contiguity, enabling cities and villages to naturally expand without the threat of home demolitions.



Open new economic opportunities with Israel's neighbors

Increased economic cooperation and technology sharing could accompany a serious Israeli response to the Arab Peace Initiative.

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