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to the Commission
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Subject: Participation of Israel in the Horizon Europe programme

Despite well-documented human rights violations over decades, Israel enjoys privileged access to the EU research programmes including Horizon Europe. Since 7 October 2023, EUR 126 million was allocated to 130 new projects involving Israeli partners[1]. The report of UN Special Rapporteur Albanese in June 2025 states that Horizon Europe 'actively facilitates collaboration with Israeli institutions, including those complicit in apartheid and genocide'[2]. Thousands of European academics have called for Israel's status as an associated country in Horizon Europe to be revoked[3].

1. In July 2025, the Commission proposed a partial suspension of Israel's association to Horizon Europe. Is this suspension still being proposed by the Commission?

2. Does the Commission intend to invoke Article 14 of the Horizon Model Grant Agreement to suspend the participation of Israeli entities in Horizon consortia, and all associated payments, as it did with Russian entities in 2022 for violations of human-rights standards and international law?

3. Will Israel's status as an associated country be revoked for the next period of the Horizon Europe programme?

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[1] https://www.tni.org/en/publication/partners-in-crime-EU-complicity-Israel-genocide-Gaza.
[2] https://www.un.org/unispal/document/a-hrc-59-23-from-economy-of-occupation-to-economy-of-genocide-report-special-rapporteur-francesca-albanese-palestine-2025/.
[3] https://aurdip.org/en/stop-european-funding-for-israeli-institutions-stop-complicity-in-occupation-apartheid-and-genocide/.