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The signing ceremony for the grant implementation agreements was held yesterday in Ramallah between the Municipal Development and Lending Fund (MDLF) and the representatives of sixteen local communities across the West Bank. The event was attended by the representatives of the Palestinian Ministry of Local Government, the European Union, the United Kingdom Department for International Development, and the French Development Agency.

This is the third and fourth package of the European Union Area C Development Programme. It will fund nineteen social infrastructures in sixteen localities serving more than 28,000 beneficiaries. The funded projects include schools, roads, multipurpose buildings, football playground and an electrical transformer.

The European Union Area C Development Programme in the West Bank is funded by the European Union, Denmark, France, and the United Kingdom.

The EU and EU Member States provide humanitarian assistance to communities in need in Area C in accordance with the humanitarian imperative. At the same time, the EU works with the Palestinian Authority to develop Area C and support Palestinian presence there. This includes projects promoting economic development and improving the quality of life of Palestinian communities in the areas of private sector development, environment and agriculture.

Area C is crucial for the two-state solution. Without Area C there is no contiguity of land and no space for Palestinian social and economic development.

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