



REDUCING PALESTINIAN TRADE **TRANSACTION COSTS**

A comprehensive research and advocacy program

Field Research

A joint Israeli-Palestinian team of surveyors conduct an ongoing field research consisting of both survey and interviews conducted with a systematic randomly selected sample of Palestinian businesses exporting outside of the PA, as well as similar interviews with carefully chosen representative stakeholders across the Israeli-Palestinian trade process system.

Analysis

LEGAL ANALYSIS: A map of the regulatory mechanisms and a supply base analysis that governs Palestinian trade and creates regulatory bottlenecks.

QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS: Economic simulation model that mirrors processes in the value chain of import and export to and from the Palestinian Authority and aids the teams to quantify current transaction costs and to conduct “what if” analysis to various scenarios of change.

Conclusions, Recommendations & Advocacy:

All components will be concluded to key impediments that stymie transaction and translated into two levels of policy recommendations: first, concrete recommendations for fixing daily transaction bottlenecks for businesspeople; second, long-term, macro-institutional reform to current and potential trade agreements and formal economic relations that will inform local and international policymakers and agents of influence.

