

University of Cambridge

Complicit investment - Palestine Solidarity Campaign¹

Yes

This university has an ethical investment policy

Ethical investment policy link: [Read policy](#)

Investments

The university did not provide us with the necessary information on their investments. Please contact us for further information.

Other links

Company Technion

The Israeli Military rely on research and technological developments from Israel's universities. As the European Coordination of Committees and Associations for Palestine (ECCP) [note](#) "Technion University has become virtually the R&D wing of the Israeli military. In 2008 it opened a center for developing electro-optics in partnership with Elbit, one of the largest Israeli weapons companies. Technion has manufactured technologies specifically to torment recalcitrant populations. The 'Scream' is a 'non-lethal' acoustic system that 'creates sound levels that are unbearable to humans at distances up to 100 meters', according to Technion. This crowd-control weapon is mainly used to suppress peaceful demonstrations in the occupied Palestinian territories"

Nature of link/relationship

Technion has signed a memorandum of understanding with University of Cambridge.

Caterpillar

US Company Caterpillar [supplies the Israeli military](#) with D9 bulldozers which are weaponised and used to demolish Palestinian homes, schools, villages and civilian infrastructure, including sewage and water pipes.

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¹ <https://palestinecampaign.org/university-complicity-database/>

Company

Caterpillar also provides equipment used to reinforce Israel's apartheid wall in the West Bank and for the construction of illegal settlements and settlement infrastructure on stolen Palestinian land.

In addition, these bulldozers have been involved in constructing Israel's military checkpoints in the occupied Palestinian territory. These constitute war crimes under international law.

Nature of link/relationship

QinetiQ

[QinetiQ](#) is a large arms company having been privatised from the MoD in 2001. QinetiQ were part of the UK team in the [development of the Watchkeeper drone](#). The drone is based on the Hermes 450, described as the 'workhorse' of the Israeli military in its operations in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. QinetiQ have received a number of export licenses to Israel, from the UK Government. Between [2008 and 2021 QinetiQ receives 8 licenses](#) to export military goods to Israel.

Between 2002 and 2020, Cambridge received 166 grants totalling £4,379,903 from QinetiQ, developers of the 'Watchkeeper' drone.

Boeing

[Boeing](#) is a US headquartered manufacturing company. It is the second largest arms manufacturer in the world. It manufactures the Apache attack helicopter. These helicopters played a prominent role in Israel's 2006 Invasion of Southern Lebanon, which killed nearly 2000 civilians. To this day, the helicopters are used by Israel for both surveillance and attacks of the Gaza Strip. In addition, [Boeing JDAM guiding systems](#) have been utilised in Israel's attacks on Palestinians in Gaza. Defense for Children International documented at least 13 children killed by missiles fired directly from Apache helicopters in its [report](#) on Israel's attack on besieged Gaza.

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Rolls Royce

The Cambridge Rolls-Royce University Training Centre (UTC) was established in 1994 and is part of a wider 'strategy of developing long-term relationships with universities' to give Rolls-Royce 'access to a wealth of talent and creativity to help protect [their] capability into the future' (The Cambridge "Academic-Military

Company

Nature of link/relationship

Complex" report 2023, Demilitarise Cambridge). Rolls-Royce also provides varying degrees of support for more than 50 Cambridge PhD students at any one time, according to the university's website, and is listed as a strategic research partner.

Airbus

Cambridge Flow Solutions (CFS) is a Cambridge spin-out company that provides proprietary software and simulation services. Between 2013 and 2015 it ran a project which set out to 'enable MBDA, Airbus, BAE Systems and Rolls-Royce to offer better products faster and with increased confidence, leading to a greater market share'. In 2020, CFS collaborated with Rolls-Royce, BAE Systems, MBDA, ARA, CFMS and the University of Southampton on the COLIBRI (Collaboration Across Business Boundaries) project, which aimed to 'develop new tools that exploit advances in AI/ML to improve and speed up the collaborative design environment for the UK's aerospace design community'.(The Cambridge "Academic-Military Complex" report 2023, Demilitarise Cambridge).

BAE Systems

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value of defence industry partnerships:
£46,202,694.58

10 direct links with arms companies 0 times asked to demilitarise

Ask to demilitarise

Send an email to Anthony Freeling asking them to demilitarise.

Societies

[Demilitarise Cambridge](#)

Top direct military partnerships

Rolls-Royce Plc, Mitsubishi Electric, EPSRC - EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Traini...	£7,417,109.00
Rolls-Royce Plc, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, EPSRC - EPSRC Centre for Doctora...	£5,286,376.00
Rolls-Royce Plc, EPSRC - EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training (COT) in Sensor Te...	£3,851,545.00
Rolls-Royce Plc - Studenship	£3,156,602.00
Ministry of Defence - Research consultancy	£2,500,000.00

Latest actions

CAMBRIDGE STUDENTS CAMP FOR A FREE PALESTINE	2024-05-06
Demilitarise Cambridge Report	2023-03-07
Demilitarise Cambridge disrupts Rolls Royce CEO talk	2022-05-26

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Latest FOIs

Academic Partnership	2024-02-21
Research partnerships	2022-10-26
Direct and third party investments	2022-09-22

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² <https://ded1.co/data/university/22>