University of Sheffield

Complicit investments: £1,845,7651

Based on FOI requests

Yes

This university has an ethical investment policy

Ethical investment policy link: Read policy

Investments

Company Value of investment £650,688

Alstom is a French transportation conglomerate. It was included on the United Nations OHCHR's list of business enterprises active in Israel's illegal settlements, based on stolen Palestinian land. WhoProfits report that Alstom is involved in the construction and operation of the Jerusalem Light Rail project, directly as well as through its fully owned subsidiary, Citadis Israel, which is the maintenance contractor for the project. The JLR project contravenes international law since it solidifies Israel's grip on occupied Palestinian land, including East Jerusalem.

AXA £60,481

AXA is a French insurance company. It <u>invests</u> in a range of companies active in Israel's illegal settlements, including Israeli banks financing the construction and expansion of Israeli settlements on stolen Palestinian land. This includes Bank Leumi and Israel Discount Bank.

Barclays £29,797

Barclays is a British multinational bank and financial services company. According to <u>research</u> released by PSC, War on Want and Campaign Against Arms Trade, it holds over £1bn in shares in, and provides financial services to, nine companies supplying Israel with weapons and military technology, used in its militarised violence against Palestinians.

HSBC £98,978

¹ University Complicity Database - Palestine Solidarity Campaign

Company

Value of investment

HSBC is a large British bank. Research by War on Want in 2017 found that HSBC invests over £830million in, and provides financial services worth up to £19billion for, companies supplying Israel with weapons and military technology used in its militarised attacks on Palestinians.

Siemens £1,005,821

According to research group Corporate Occupation "Traffic control systems of the company are installed by its Israeli representative, Orad Group, on apartheid roads (roads on which only Israelis are allowed to travel)." In addition Siemens Israel is participating in the electrification of the Tel-Aviv Jerusalem high-speed train (A1), which is currently under construction. The A1 train route crosses the Green Line into the occupied Palestinian West Bank in two areas.

The BDS movement has called for a boycott of Siemens for its role constructing the EuroAsia Interconnector, a submarine electricity cable from Israel via Cyprus to Greece, that will connect apartheid Israel's electricity grid with that of the EU and enable it to export electricity produced from fossil gas to Europe,

Other links

Company

Rolls Royce

Rolls-Royce is a British manufacturer that produces military aircraft engines, naval engines and cores for nuclear submarines. It is still the world's 17th largest Arms trade. It is a supplier of the US F-35 Joint Strike Fighter programme. F-35 fighter jets have been used on numerous occasions in Israel's attacks on the besieged the Gaza Strip, including in May 2021. In 2014, the year of Israel's aerial bombardment and ground invasion of Gaza, which killed over 2,200 civilians, nearly a quarter of them children, Rolls-Royce was granted export licenses for engines for military aircrafts to Israel.

Nature of link/relationship

The University of Sheffield Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre (AMRC) has industrial partners including Rolls-Royce, Siemens and BAE Systems.

Boeing

Company

Boeing is a US headquarted manufacturing company. It is the second largest arms manufacturer in the world. It manufacturers the Apache attack helicopter. These helicopters played a prominent role in Israel's for another five years. The University of 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.

Nature of link/relationship

In 2021 Boeing renewed its longstanding relationship with the University of Sheffield Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre (AMRC) with an agreement that will continue Sheffield Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre (AMRC) has industrial partners including Rolls-Royce, Siemens and BAE Systems.

BAE Systems

BAE Systems is a large British arms producer. As reported by Investigate, it manufacturer weapons and military technology used by Israel in its militarised attacks on Palestinians.

Future Air Support was launched by BAE Systems in November 2022 at Royal Air Force (RAF) Coningsby, home to the UK's Typhoon fleet. The University of Sheffield Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre (AMRC) in 2023 joined the project as a research partner.

Demilitarise Education²

² https://ded1.co/data/university/89

	overview	policies (1)	financial (8)	research (20)	academic	FOI requests	(7)
			partnerships	partnerships	partnerships		actions

University of Sheffield

value of defence industry partnerships: £44,098,769.00

0 times asked to demilitarise

Ask to demilitarise

Send an email to Koen Lamberts asking them to demilitarise.

Societies

Sheffield Action Group

Top direct military partnerships

GKN Ltd., Rolls-Royce Plc, EPSRC - MAPP: EPSRC Future Manufacturing Hub in Ma. £10,820,131.00 GKN Ltd., Airbus, Rolls-Royce Plc, EPSRC - Future Electrical Machines Manufac... £10,735,962.00 GKN Ltd., Airbus, Rolls-Royce Plc, Defence Science and Technology Laboratory, ... £5,474,979.00 Rolls-Royce Plc, EPSRC - EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training in Integrated Trib... £3,641,918.00 BAE Systems, GKN Ltd., Airbus, Rolls-Royce Plc, Defence Science and Technology... £3,533,533.00

Latest actions

Genocide and Apartheid Complicity Report Students in Sheffield launch Encampment in Solidarity with Palestine 2024-05-01 SHAG Occupy Arts tower to protest University of Sheffiled's links with the arms 2023-10-01 trade

Latest FOIs

FOI Request - Academic Partnerships 2024-07-08 Academic Partnerships 2023-10-13 Academic partnership policy 2023-09-12