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EU solidarity with those fleeing



EU stands in solidarity with Ukraine and those fleeing Russia's unprovoked and unjustified military invasion of the country. The **EU budget is being mobilised** to provide emergency assistance, support at the border and in the EU countries, and to alleviate the humanitarian consequences of the war. In addition, the EU Civil Protection Mechanism has been activated to provide in-kind assistance to Ukraine.

Support includes

Nearly **€550 million** emergency assistance and humanitarian aid, of which:

- at least **€85 million** for basic needs - food, water, healthcare, shelter – as humanitarian aid.
- **€120 million** as budget support to Ukraine.
- **€330 million** from the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument for emergency assistance.

€15 million for border management and **€5 million** humanitarian assistance to help Moldova cope with the situation.





Flexibility to use unspent funds up to **€420 million** for **reception capacities** under the migration and internal security funds from previous long-term budget. Additional funds to be mobilised under the current long-term budget.

Flexibility to use unspent **cohesion policy funds** under the previous long-term budget for measures **to support refugees**, and to extend the 100% co-financing rate, leading to frontloading of payments of up to €10 billion.

Part of the 2022 REACT-EU envelope of €10 billion could be used immediately **to address these new demands**.

Emergency assistance offered to Ukraine by all EU Member States, plus Norway and Turkey, via the EU Civil Protection Mechanism. 80 million items such as first aid kits, water pumps, power generators, and fuel are on the way. This is the largest ever response in the history of the Mechanism to date.

These funds come on top of the new emergency macro-financial assistance (MFA) programme for Ukraine of up to €1.2 billion, to address Ukraine's financing needs.

