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Commission presents its 5th report on the monitoring of the EU visa-free regime

Today, the Commission presents its [5th report on the monitoring of the EU visa-free regime](#) with Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia, as well as Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine. All countries concerned continue to meet the visa liberalisation requirements and made progress in addressing last year's recommendations. The report focuses on actions taken to address the recommendations the Commission made last year in the Fourth Report under the Visa Suspension Mechanism, ensuring continuous fulfilment of the visa liberalisation requirements. The report also highlights areas where further efforts are needed from each country.

A [press release](#) and a [Q&A](#) are available online.

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EU Cohesion Policy: €3.85 billion for a just transition toward climate neutral economy in five Polish regions

Today, the Commission has adopted five Polish Operational Programmes with Territorial Just Transition Plans (TJTPs).

These TJTPs are worth more than **€3.85 billion** under the [Just Transition Fund](#) (JTF) to support a **just climate transition in the coal regions of Silesia, Małopolska, Wielkopolska, Lower Silesia and Łódzkie**.

The TJTPs identify the territories that will receive JTF support following a dialogue with the Commission and local partners in the framework of the negotiations of the 2021-2027 Partnership Agreements.

The Commission approved the [Partnership Agreement with Poland](#) in June 2022. The TJTPs also allow financing under [InvestEU](#) (a just transition scheme) and the [Public Sector Loan Facility for Just Transition](#) (combining Commission grants with European Investment bank loans).

More details in the [press release](#).

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Politique Agricole Commune 2023-2027: les plans stratégiques de la Belgique (Flandre et Wallonie) d'un montant de €2,8 milliards approuvés

Aujourd'hui, les plans stratégiques de la politique agricole commune (PAC) de la **Belgique**, d'un montant de plus de **2,8 milliards d'euros**, ont été approuvés ; dont **1,3 milliard d'euro pour la Flandre** et **1,5 milliard d'euro pour la Wallonie**. Sur le budget total de l'UE alloué à ces deux régions, plus de **900 millions d'euros** seront consacrés aux **objectifs environnementaux et climatiques** et aux **programmes écologiques** et **100 millions d'euros** seront alloués aux **jeunes agriculteurs**.

Dans le **plan flamand**, l'aide au revenu constitue une priorité essentielle. Afin de contribuer à relever les défis environnementaux, la Flandre alloue 185 millions d'euros, soit plus de la moitié de son budget de développement rural, à des objectifs liés à l'environnement et au climat, tels que la réduction des émissions de gaz à effet de serre, l'amélioration de la qualité des sols et de l'eau et le renforcement de la biodiversité. Grâce à un soutien spécifique, il aidera également 1 665 jeunes agriculteurs à s'installer et contribuera à la création de plus de 1 700 emplois dans les zones rurales.

Le **plan wallon** prévoit un financement plus important pour les paiements directs avec un paiement

de redistribution pour les petites et moyennes exploitations. Pour atteindre ses objectifs environnementaux, la Wallonie consacre 26 % de son budget des paiements directs à des programmes écologiques et 56 % de son budget de développement rural à des interventions en faveur de l'environnement, du climat et de la biodiversité. Le plan wallon mobilisera des fonds pour aider 620 jeunes agriculteurs à s'installer et organisera des manifestations et un groupe de travail spécifique pour accroître la participation des femmes à l'agriculture.

La nouvelle [politique agricole commune \(PAC\)](#), dont le lancement est prévu le 1 janvier 2023, vise à façonner la transition vers un secteur agricole européen durable, résilient et moderne. La PAC bénéficiera d'un financement de 270 milliards d'euros pour la période 2023-2027.

De plus amples informations sont disponibles dans les documents [«at a glance»](#) et dans le [news item](#) en ligne.

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InvestEU: EIB invests €36.7 million in eco-friendly battery material production in Germany

The European Investment Bank (EIB), backed by the [InvestEU programme](#), is granting a **€36.7 million loan** to Königswarter & Ebell, a fully-owned German subsidiary of Australia's Pure Battery Technologies (PBT). The project concerns an innovative commercial demonstration plant for the manufacturing of precursor cathode active material (pCAM). pCAM is used in the production of advanced lithium-ion cells with nickel, manganese and cobalt chemistry. The commercialisation of PBT's technology will **strengthen the EU's battery production capacities**, which are also important for the transition to a low-carbon economy. The PBT process can use recycled battery material known as 'black mass' as feedstock, thus reducing the need for primary nickel, manganese and cobalt, in line with a circular economy approach.

Commissioner for Economy, Paolo **Gentiloni**, added: *"By investing in an innovative, environmentally friendly and cost-effective technology, we can truly accelerate the mass production of electric vehicle car batteries. This project is an excellent example of how InvestEU can contribute to achieving our shared climate objectives."*

The [InvestEU programme](#) provides the EU with long-term funding by leveraging private and public funds in support of EU policy priorities, such as the European Green Deal and the digital transition. The InvestEU Fund is implemented through financial partners who will invest in projects using the EU budget guarantee and thus mobilising at least €372 billion in additional investment.

A press release is available [online](#).

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Defence Industry: Commission supports with €1.2 billion 61 industrial R&D projects for defence capabilities

Today, the Commission has approved an investment of around €1.2 billion in collaborative defence research and development with the adoption of the first ever award decision on 61 projects supported by the [European Defence Fund \(EDF\)](#).

With the decision, the EU is funding **high-end defence capability** projects such as next generation of **fighter aircraft, armoured vehicles and ships**, as well as **critical defence technologies** in the areas of space, cyber, military cloud, Artificial Intelligence, semiconductors, and medical countermeasures. The projects will also spearhead disruptive technologies, notably in quantum technologies and new materials. Categories which receive notable funding are Air combat (around €190 million), Ground combat (around €155 million), Naval combat (around €103 million) and Air & Missile defence (around €100 million). Space-related projects are supported with about €50 million. With €38 million invested in projects supporting cyber defence R&D, the EU funds joint cyber defence capability development.

Support is also provided to promising projects involving cross-border SMEs and start-ups under the dedicated SME category with 24 projects receiving funding. Overall, SMEs account for around 43% of the entities participating in the projects.

Following the adoption of the Commission award decision, the grant agreements with the consortia will be signed and projects start delivering concrete results. The objective is to support the

competitiveness of EU defence industry, the development of the key technologies our armed forces need and strengthen the Union's security.

Discover the individual project factsheets and summary factsheet [here](#). More information in a [press release](#) from July 2022.

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2022 European Year of Youth: 'Claim the future' conference to officially close the year

Tomorrow, the closing conference of the [European Year of Youth](#), 'Claim the Future', is taking place in the European Parliament in Brussels. The event, promoted by Mariya **Gabriel**, Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth, takes stock of the Year's achievements and to reflect on its legacy. It is also the occasion to discuss how youth policy will remain high on the policy agenda. Around 700 stakeholders, including a great number of young people, will come together to look back at highlights and define the way forward in engaging, connecting and empowering young people across Europe.

Commissioner Mariya **Gabriel**, who will attend the event, said: "*The European Year of Youth has brought new ideas, new bonds, new expectations. I believe they are here to stay. This year's legacy will mark a new era of youth engagement in shaping the future.*"

Leading to a wide outreach, more than 8500 activities have been by now organised across Member States during the European Year of Youth. Several innovative youth participation formats were launched, such as [Voices platform](#), which gave young people the opportunity to express their opinions and visions about EU policies and the future. Among other initiatives, the [Youth policy dialogues](#) made it possible for young people to meet with Commissioners. Many of the European Year of Youth activities will continue also in 2023.

The day-long conference is organised under the Czech Presidency of the Council, together with the Commission and the European Parliament. The event can be followed online, and more information is available [here](#).

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Digital Markets Act: Commission organises a stakeholder workshop on self-preferencing

The European Commission today organises a first technical workshop on the implementation of the [Digital Markets Act](#) ('DMA') to give interested stakeholders the possibility to provide **input and views on how designated gatekeepers should comply with the DMA's obligations**, in particular in relation to self-preferencing.

The DMA has entered into force on 1 November 2022 and will start to apply as of 2 May 2023. To prepare for the enforcement of the DMA, the Commission is already now engaging proactively with interested parties to ensure effective compliance of designated gatekeepers with the new rules. In this context, this first workshop focusses on the obligation for gatekeepers not to favour their own products or services in ranking. The full program of the event is available [here](#).

The workshop allows a broad audience - including potential gatekeepers, business users, end users of platform services and civil society representatives - to express their views. The contributions of third parties, in particular those who are potential beneficiaries of the DMA's obligations, will be essential in ensuring the **timely and effective implementation of the DMA**.

More information is available [here](#).

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EU and India meet during 5th Competition Week to reinforce cooperation

Officials and experts from the EU and India will meet in New Delhi from **5 to 7 December 2022** to discuss and exchange good practices in competition policy and enforcement.

The technical discussions will touch upon a wide range of topics, including **antitrust cases in the digital economy**, the design and implementation of **regulation of digital markets**, investigation

practices in certain agreements relating to the transport sector and other **atypical cartels**, as well as how to assess arguments about [sustainability goals](#) in the context of competition enforcement.

The annual EU-India Competition Week provides a platform for exchanges between officials from the European Commission Directorate-General for Competition and the Competition Commission of India. In addition, representatives from both the Belgian and French competition authorities will participate in this year's edition.

The meeting builds on the [Memorandum of Understanding](#) on cooperation in the field of competition law signed between the EU and Indian competition authorities in 2013 and on the previous Competition Weeks organised since 2018.

The EU-India Competition Week is part of the [Competition Cooperation project](#), a 5-year EU-funded programme offering **technical cooperation to competition authorities in Asia** to strengthen convergence in competition policy to the benefit of citizens and businesses in both the EU and Asia.

More information about the European Commission's bilateral dialogue with India in the field of competition policy is available on the Commission's [website](#).

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State aid: Commission approves €26.3 million Finnish measure to support SEVO in construction of hydroelectric pump storage

The European Commission has approved, under EU State aid rules, a €26.3 million Finnish aid measure to support Suomen Energiavarasto Oy ('SEVO') in the **construction of an underground hydroelectric pump storage facility**. The measure will increase the share of renewables in Finland's electricity generation in line with the EU's [European Green Deal](#) objectives. At the same time, it will help reduce dependence on Russian fossil fuels and fast forward the green transition in line with the [REPowerEU Plan](#).

The aid, which will take the form of a **€26.3 million investment grant**, will support the construction and the installation of the storage unit. The facility is envisaged to start operating by the end of 2025. Once completed, the project is expected to avoid the release of 202,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide annually.

The Commission assessed and approved the measure under EU State aid rules, in particular [Article 107\(3\)\(c\)](#) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union ('TFEU'), which enables Member States to support the development of certain economic activities subject to certain conditions, and the [2022 Climate, Energy and Environment Aid Guidelines](#) ('CEEAG').

Executive Vice-President Margrethe **Vestager**, in charge of competition policy, said: *"This €26.3 million measure will enable Finland to support the construction of an innovative underground hydroelectric storage, which will contribute to the decarbonisation of its electricity generation and supply. It will help deliver on the green transition, while reducing Finland's dependence on imported fossil fuels. The Commission continues to support Member States in helping the EU's energy sector tackle the challenges of the current energy crisis, while promoting a greener economy. Margrethe Vestager, Executive Vice-President in charge of competition policy."*

A press release is available [online](#).

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Aides d'État: la Commission autorise un régime français de 360,1 millions d'euros pour soutenir la distribution de la presse écrite abonnée

La Commission européenne a autorisé, en vertu des règles de l'UE en matière d'aides d'État, un **régime français de 360,1 millions d'euros** destiné à soutenir la distribution d'exemplaires de presse écrite abonnée des médias qui fournissent des informations politiques, générales ou sportives.

L'aide prendra la forme de **subventions directes aux éditeurs des médias éligibles**. Le régime vise à financer une partie des frais de distribution réalisée soit par l'opérateur postal en charge de la mission de service public du transport et de la distribution de la presse la voie postale, soit par les réseaux de portage. L'aide correspondra à un montant maximum par exemplaire distribué et peut varier en fonction de la situation financière des publications concernées, ainsi que des zones dans lesquelles elles sont distribuées. La mesure vise à inciter les éditeurs de presse à avoir davantage recours aux services de portage, qu'aux services de distribution par voie postale. La mesure vise à soutenir les éditeurs de manière transitoire, jusqu'à ce que de nouveaux services de distribution

efficaces et abordables émergent. La mesure permettra la diffusion d'une information fiable et de qualité, afin de maintenir le pluralisme des médias, le débat démocratique et la diversité culturelle. Le régime sera en vigueur jusqu'au 31 décembre 2026.

La Commission a évalué le régime au regard des règles de l'UE en matière d'aides d'État, notamment de **l'article 107(3)(c)** du traité sur le fonctionnement de l'Union européenne, qui permet aux États membres de soutenir le développement de certaines activités économiques. La Commission a constaté que le régime est nécessaire et approprié pour faciliter le développement des activités de l'édition et de la distribution de la presse. La Commission a conclu que le régime est limité au minimum nécessaire et qu'il aura un impact limité sur la concurrence et le commerce entre les États membres. Sur cette base, la Commission a autorisé le régime en vertu des règles de l'UE en matière d'aides d'État. La version non confidentielle de la décision sera publiée sous le numéro SA.101754 dans le [registre des aides d'État](#) sur le site web de la Commission consacré à la [concurrence](#), dès que les éventuels problèmes de confidentialité auront été résolus.

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State aid: Commission approves amendments to Flemish measure, including €700 million budget increase, to further support companies in the context of Russia's war against Ukraine

The European Commission has found the amendments to an existing Flemish scheme, including a **€700 million budget increase**, to support companies in the context of Russia's war against Ukraine to be in line with the State [Temporary Crisis Framework](#), adopted by the Commission on [23 March 2022](#) and amended on [20 July 2022](#) and on [28 October 2022](#).

The Commission approved the original scheme on [12 July 2022](#) ([SA.103314](#)). Belgium notified the following notifications to the existing scheme: (i) an overall budget increase by €700 million; (ii) an adjustment of the eligibility conditions, to include also large companies; (iii) an extension of the period, in relation to which aid may be granted, until 31 December 2023; (iv) a modification of the duration and interest rates of the loans; and (v) an increase of the maximum aid ceilings, in line with the Temporary Crisis Framework as amended on [28 October 2022](#).

The Commission found that the Flemish scheme, as modified, continues to be in line with the conditions set out in the Temporary Crisis Framework. In particular, when it comes to limited amounts of aid, the support will not exceed €250,000 per company active in the primary production of agricultural products, €300,000 per company active in fishery and aquaculture sectors and €2 million per company in all other sectors. When it comes to liquidity support, the maximum amount per beneficiary will be 15% of its average total annual turnover over the last three closed accounting periods, and the annual interest rates on the loans respect the minimum levels set out in the Temporary Crisis Framework. Finally, the support will be granted no later than 31 December 2023.

The Commission therefore concluded that the amended measure remains necessary, appropriate, and proportionate to remedy a serious disturbance in the economy of a Member State, in line with **Article 107(3)(b) TFEU** and the conditions set out in the **Temporary Crisis Framework**. On this basis, the Commission approved the amendments to the Flemish scheme under EU State aid rules.

More information on the Temporary Crisis Framework and other actions taken by the Commission to address the economic impact of Russia's war against Ukraine can be found [here](#). The non-confidential version of the decision will be made available under the case number SA.104845 in the [State aid register](#) on the Commission's [competition](#) website once any confidentiality issues have been resolved.

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State aid: Commission approves €250 million Flemish scheme to support companies facing increased energy costs in the context of Russia's war against Ukraine

The European Commission has approved a **€250 million** Flemish scheme to support companies facing increased energy costs in the context of Russia's war against Ukraine. The scheme was approved under the State aid [Temporary Crisis Framework](#), adopted by the Commission on [23 March 2022](#) and amended on [20 July 2022](#) and on [28 October 2022](#), based on Article 107(3)(b) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union ('TFEU'), recognising that the EU economy is experiencing a serious disturbance.

Under the scheme, the aid will take the form of **direct grants** up to €500,000 per company and up

to €4 million for energy intensive businesses. Furthermore, the latter are eligible for increased support up to €7.5 million if they are active in particularly affected sectors listed in Annex 1 of the Temporary Crisis Framework. The aid will be granted only to beneficiaries that have incurred operating losses. The purpose of the scheme is to mitigate the exceptionally large increases in the price of natural gas and electricity incurred by companies, which cannot be passed on to final consumers or with which they are unable to cope.

The Commission found that the Flemish scheme is in line with the conditions set out in the Temporary Crisis Framework. In particular, the individual aid amount will not exceed 50% of the eligible costs for the maximum aid ceiling of €4 million. For beneficiaries which qualify as energy-intensive businesses and are active in particularly affected sectors in Annex 1, the overall aid per beneficiary will not exceed 40% of the eligible costs for the maximum aid ceiling of €100 million. In addition, the aid will be granted before 31 December 2023.

The Commission concluded that the scheme is necessary, appropriate and proportionate to remedy a serious disturbance in the economy of a Member State, in line with **Article 107(3)(b) TFEU** and the conditions set out in the **Temporary Crisis Framework**. On this basis, the Commission approved the scheme under EU State aid rules. More information on the Temporary Crisis Framework and other actions taken by the Commission to address the economic impact of Russia's war against Ukraine can be found [here](#). The non-confidential version of the decision will be made available under the number SA.104588 in the [State aid register](#) on the Commission's competition [website](#) once any confidentiality issues have been resolved.

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Mergers: Commission clears creation of joint venture by Sonatrach, Eni and Equinor in In Salah

The European Commission has approved, under the EU Merger Regulation, the creation of a joint venture in In Salah Gas Limited ('In Salah') by the Société Nationale pour la Recherche, la Production, le Transport, la Transformation, et la Commercialisation des Hydrocarbures s.p.a. ('Sonatrach'), both of Algeria, the Eni Group ('Eni') of Italy, and Equinor ASA of Norway.

In Salah was created in 1996 as a full-function joint venture by Sonatrach and BP, with Equinor acquiring a joint controlling position in 2004. Through the transaction, Eni replaces BP as joint controlling shareholder. In Salah is active in the exploration, development, production and upstream wholesale supply of natural gas. **Eni, Sonatrach and Equinor** are active in the development, production and upstream wholesale supply of natural gas. Eni is also active in the markets for the downstream wholesale and transport infrastructure of natural gas in Italy.

The Commission concluded that the proposed acquisition would raise no competition concerns, given that due to their diverging interests, Eni, Sonatrach and Equinor were unlikely to coordinate successfully in the market for the development, production and upstream wholesale supply of natural gas as a result of the transaction. In addition, the companies would have no ability or incentive to engage in foreclosure practices.

The transaction was examined under the normal merger review procedure. More information is available on the Commission's [competition](#) website, in the public [case register](#) under the case number [M.10941](#).

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

EU-Western Balkans Summit in Tirana to reconfirm the EU's strategic bond with accession partners

On Tuesday 6 December, the EU and the Western Balkans leaders will hold a Summit in Tirana, hosted by Prime Minister of Albania, Edi Rama, and chaired by the President of the European Council, Charles Michel. The European Commission will be represented by its President, Ursula **von der Leyen**, High Representative/Vice-President for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Josep **Borrell**, and Commissioner for Neighbourhood and Enlargement, Olivér **Várhegyi**.

The Summit is taking place in the Western Balkans for the first time, as a clear sign of the EU's commitment to the strategic partnership with the region and its EU membership perspective. Discussions will focus on addressing jointly the consequences of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, in particular in the energy sector. The Commission will report on the implementation of the almost **€30 billion Economic and Investment Plan to help spur the long term recovery of the region**. Furthermore, the Commission will inform about the **€1 billion Energy Support Package for the entire Western Balkans** presented by President von der Leyen in November to help vulnerable households and medium and small sized enterprises cushion the high energy prices and advance key infrastructure investments to diversify energy supplies, boost renewable production and energy efficiency.

Ahead of the Summit, the leaders will witness the signing of a declaration between representatives of telecom operators from the Western Balkans and the EU on the **first voluntary lowering of roaming charges**, starting in October 2023, between the region and the EU.

Other issues on the agenda will include cooperation on **cyber security, information manipulation, migration, as well as enhancing political dialogue** and cooperation on core security issues. At the end of the meeting, the leaders are foreseen to adopt a declaration. Following the Summit, President Ursula **von der Leyen**, President Charles **Michel** and Prime Minister Edi **Rama** will hold a joint press conference at +/- 3 pm CET. You can follow it live on [EbS](#).

More information is available on the EU-Western Balkans Summit [website](#) and on the Commission's European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations [webpage](#).

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Réunion de l'Eurogroupe et réunion des ministres des affaires économiques et financières, les 5 et 6 décembre

Le commissaire **Gentiloni** représentera la Commission lors de la réunion de l'Eurogroupe qui aura lieu aujourd'hui à Bruxelles, à 15h30.

D'abord, en format inclusif (à 27), les ministres discuteront de la situation macroéconomique à la lumière des prévisions économiques d'automne de la Commission et des derniers développements. Ensuite, l'Eurogroupe en format « standard » discutera de l'évaluation des projets de [plans budgétaires](#) des États membres de la zone euro, ainsi que de la situation et des perspectives budgétaires de la zone euro. La Commission présentera également sa communication sur les orientations pour une réforme du cadre de gouvernance économique de l'UE et l'Eurogroupe discutera de son plan de travail sur les aspects de cette réforme relatifs à la zone euro. Le commissaire **Gentiloni** participera à la [conférence de presse](#) qui suivra la réunion, vers 19h00.

Demain, le vice-président exécutif **Dombrovskis** et les commissaires **Gentiloni, Hahn** et **McGuinness** représenteront la Commission lors de la réunion de ministres de l'économie et des finances qui aura lieu également à Bruxelles, à 10h00.

Lors de la réunion les ministres examineront la proposition de décision d'exécution du Conseil relative à des mesures de protection du budget de l'Union contre les violations des principes de l'État de droit en Hongrie. Les ministres procéderont également à un échange de vues sur la mise en œuvre de la facilité pour la reprise et la résilience ainsi que sur la proposition pour une décision d'exécution du Conseil sur le plan de relance de la Hongrie. De plus, le Conseil débatera d'un ensemble de mesures législatives visant à apporter [un soutien financier](#) de 18 milliards d'euros à l'Ukraine. Le Conseil examinera la directive relative à la mise en place d'un [niveau minimum d'imposition](#) mondial pour les groupes multinationaux dans l'Union. Par la suite, la Commission présentera sa communication relative au réexamen de la [gouvernance économique](#) ainsi que [l'examen annuel 2023](#) de la croissance durable, le rapport 2023 sur le mécanisme d'alerte et la recommandation du Conseil concernant la politique économique de la zone euro.

Le vice-président exécutif **Dombrovskis** représentera la Commission lors de la [conférence de presse](#) qui suivra la réunion, vers 15h00.

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Le commissaire Lenarčič participe à Paris à une table ronde sur le soutien au Niger

Janez **Lenarčič**, commissaire chargé de la gestion des crises, assiste au nom de la Commission ce

lundi, à l'ouverture de la table ronde des investisseurs et des partenaires de développement du Niger. La table ronde, qui se tient à Paris les **5 et 6 décembre 2022** en présence du Président du Niger, vise à réunir les partenaires publics et privés et à mobiliser des ressources pour le plan de développement économique et social du pays. En marge de la table ronde, le commissaire **Lenarčič** s'entretiendra avec le ministre nigérien des Affaires étrangères, Hassoumi Massoudou, sur le soutien de l'UE au Niger, sur l'évolution de la situation dans la région - notamment au Burkina Faso et au Mali - et sur la situation humanitaire dans le pays.

Le Niger est un partenaire majeur de l'UE et l'un des premiers bénéficiaires en Afrique subsaharienne des fonds bilatéraux de l'UE. Si les conditions sont remplies, 55 millions d'euros pourraient être décaissés en 2022 à partir des réserves de Global Europe et du Fonds européen de développement pour soutenir les priorités du gouvernement en matière de fourniture de services sociaux et de protection des citoyens. Les donateurs jouent un rôle majeur dans le développement du Niger puisqu'ils contribuent à environ 11 % de son budget public, l'UE étant le partenaire le plus important. Depuis 2021, l'UE a alloué plus de 770 millions d'euros. L'aide globale future de l'UE avec les États membres devrait atteindre au moins 2,3 milliards d'euros, un montant qui pourrait être revu à la hausse au cours des deux prochaines années.

Le Niger est également l'un des pays les plus pauvres du monde, avec 3,7 millions de personnes ayant besoin d'une aide humanitaire. En 2022, l'UE a alloué 43,6 millions d'euros d'aide humanitaire, pour soutenir les régions touchées par des conflits, des épidémies, des pénuries alimentaires généralisées et des taux élevés d'enfants en sous-alimentation.

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