The EU is the largest provider of financial assistance to Kosovo.

- €1.21 billion in EU assistance funds 2007-2020
- €229 million provided in European Investment Bank loans since 1999
- €148.4 million provided since 2009 in Western Balkans Investment Framework grants, to leverage investments of estimated €1.3 billion

In 2019:
- 36.1% in exports
- 50% in imports

Key milestones:
- **APRIL 2013**: ‘Brussels Agreement’ between Belgrade and Pristina signed
- **APRIL 2016**: The Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the EU and Kosovo enters into force
- **MAY 2016**: The European Commission proposes visa-free travel for the people of Kosovo
- **OCTOBER 2016**: First meeting of the EU-Kosovo Stabilisation and Association Council
- **JULY 2018**: Commission confirms that Kosovo has fulfilled all outstanding visa liberalisation benchmarks

Supporting transformation:
- Strengthening democracy: rule of law, justice and fundamental rights
- Reforming public administration
- Fostering competitiveness and supporting business development
- Working towards a cleaner environment and safer food supply

Support for key sectors:
- €562 million
- 2014 - 2020

- 13% Democracy and governance
- 29% Competitiveness, innovation, agriculture and rural development
- 19% Environment, climate action and energy
- 14% Education, employment and social policies
- 25% Rule of law and fundamental rights

COVID-19 response:
From IPA 2014-2020, €68 million in bilateral assistance for Kosovo to cover urgent health needs and economic and social recovery, and €455 million for regional economic reactivation package. In addition, €100 million was approved by the EU in Macro-Financial Assistance for Kosovo and the European Investment Bank is providing €1.7 billion to the region.

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

Source: EU Data