An Eastern Partnership that delivers for all

The **Eastern Partnership** aims to deepen and strengthen relations between the European Union, its Member States and partner countries, in line with the principles of inclusiveness and differentiation, including through tailor made approaches and incentive-based enhanced cooperation. Building on the ‘20 deliverables for 2020’, the Joint Communication of March 2020 and the Council Conclusions of May 2020, the EU has proposed a set of post-2020 Eastern Partnership priorities. In line with the **five policy objectives**, these priorities will strengthen resilience of the partners countries by investing in **two pillars**.

### Recovery, resilience and reform: post-2020 Eastern Partnership Priorities

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#### INVESTMENT

To support post-COVID 19 socio-economic recovery and build back better through accelerating the green and digital transition in the partner countries. This includes an **Economic and Investment Plan** with country-specific flagship initiatives.

These include:

- Enhanced transport connectivity
- Access to finance for **Small and Medium Sized Enterprises**
- Investments in equity to strengthen competitiveness and integration into EU value chains
- Support to the **digital transition**
- Investment in **environment and climate resilience**, including energy efficiency
- Health resilience and human capital development

#### GOVERNANCE

Investing in **reforms** and respect for shared fundamental values are at the core of our partnership. This includes support for democracy, human rights, rule of law reforms, support for the fight against corruption, gender equality, support to civil society and independent media.

### Economic and Investment Plan for the Eastern Partnership

The key new element is the Economic and Investment plan. It will mobilise **€2.3 billion** from the EU budget, in grants, blending and guarantees, to support the post-pandemic recovery and to **sustainably transform the economies of the Eastern Partnership** to make them more resilient and integrated. The plan could leverage up to **€17 billion** in public and private investments.

The plan contains a set of **flagship initiatives** for each of the **partner countries** with concrete priority projects with tangible results.
Top 10 targets for 2025

As part of the comprehensive agenda, a selection of top ten targets for 2025 with the highest transformational impact for citizens and businesses have been identified as future priority actions - together with the country flagships.

- **Investing in competitive and innovative economies**: 500,000 SMEs supported
- **Investing in the rule of law**: All high level officials declare their economic assets and these declarations are verified
- **Investing in security and cyber resilience**: A strengthened framework in place for identifying and addressing hybrid threats; strengthened partners’ capacities to increase cyber resilience and tackle cyber crime, including through fully implementing the Council of Europe Budapest Convention on cyber crime
- **Investing in people and knowledge societies**: 70,000 individual mobility opportunities for students and staff, researchers, young people and youth workers
- **Investing in sustainable and smart connectivity**: 3,000 km of priority roads and railways built or upgraded
- **Investing in health resilience**: 850,000 health workers vaccinated and benefit from improved therapeutics, equipment and working conditions
- **Investing in inclusive, gender equal and diverse societies, and strategic communication**: 2,500 local Civil Society organisations, 120 independent media outlets and 2,000 journalists supported
- **Investing in sustainable energy**: 250,000 households reduce energy consumption by at least 20%
- **Investing in digital Transformation**: 80% of households have affordable access to high speed internet
- **Investing in environment & climate**: Another 3 million people gain access to safe water services; air quality monitored and improved in 300 cities

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