



EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY FUND

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The European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) was created after the severe floods in Central Europe in the summer of 2002. Since then, it intervened following 84 disasters covering a range of different catastrophic events including floods, forest fires, earthquakes, storms and drought. 24 different European countries have been supported so far with a total amount of over €5.2 billion.

The Commission proposes to mobilise €8.1 million to assist Austria following the disaster caused by storms and floods in the southern Alpine regions in October 2018.

Austria has previously received EUSF funding on 4 occasions.



Examples of previous assistance to Austria:



Floods **€134 million**



Floods **€14.8 million**



Floods **€240,000**



Floods **€21.7 million**

During the spring of 2013, Austria was hit by severe floods which affected seven of the nine Austrian Länder and led to major damage to private property and infrastructure.



▶ Reconstruction operations

The EUSF aid was used for:



▶ Rehabilitation of flood protection structures



▶ Protection of cultural heritage

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