

## #EUSolidarityFund



The European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) was created after the severe floods in Central Europe in the summer of 2002. Since then, it has been used for 76 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 an amount of over €5 billion.

The Commission proposes to give Spain €3.2 million following the forest fires in Galicia of October 2017. The EU Solidarity Fund aid can help finance the restoration of public infrastructure and cover the costs of clean-up operations and of temporary accommodation.

Spain has previously received EUSF funding on 3 occasions

Total aid granted €31 million

Forest fires 08/2003 €1.3 million



Lorca earthquake €21.1 million





The **Lorca earthquake** was the most destructive earthquake in Spain in more than 50 years



The EUSF aid was used for:



Road repair and restoration of other infrastructure



• Covering the costs of temporary accommodation and services to meet the population's immediate needs, such as provision of blankets and food



• Emergency measures such as transfers to the hospital for the wounded

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