

Civil support for Ukraine and other Eastern European neighbouring countries in 2023

Table 1 provides a tentative overview of the distribution of the civil support amounting to DKK 1.2 billion in 2023. The overall priorities are:

Table 1
Efforts in Ukraine and other Eastern European neighbouring countries¹

	DKK millions
1. Early recovery and reconstruction in Ukraine (including Neighbourhood Programme, humanitarian development nexus, peace and stabilisation efforts, efforts through the Investment Fund for Developing Countries, etc.)	1,000
- Reconstruction in Ukraine	600
- Reform efforts (Neighbourhood Programme, including anti-corruption, etc.)	85
- Ukraine facility under the Investment Fund for Developing Countries	110
- Ukraine efforts under Danida Sustainable Infrastructure Finance (DSIF)	60
- Humanitarian Support	145
2. Regional efforts including Ukraine (including Neighbourhood Programme in Georgia and Moldova)	200
- Peace and stabilisation efforts in Eastern European neighbouring countries (civilian component of the Peace and Stabilisation Fund)	50
- Reform efforts in Georgia (Neighbourhood Programme)	40
- Other neighbouring countries, Democracy Fund and regional efforts	110
Total for Ukraine and other Eastern European neighbouring countries	1,200

Note: ¹ The specific distribution of the civil support for Ukraine and other Eastern European neighbouring countries will be carried out as part of a strategic prioritisation and with consideration of developments in Ukraine and the region.

Source: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark.

1. Early recovery and reconstruction in Ukraine – a total of DKK 1 billion, comprising:

- **Reconstruction in Ukraine**

The support will focus on both Mykolaiv and the national reconstruction. In Mykolaiv, it is expected that the direct Danish support will continue to be distributed in close collaboration with local authorities. Prioritised efforts in 2023 are expected to include support for the repair of social infrastructure, renovation of the water system, and support for energy infrastructure to improve the city's ability to receive returning citizens. Nationally, support will continue to be provided for the national energy infrastructure and a collaboration with the international development banks. Where possible, the Danish efforts will seek to create green and more sustainable infrastructure as part of the reconstruction.

- **Reform efforts (Neighbourhood Programme, including anti-corruption, etc.)**

Contributions to reform processes in Ukraine to help the country meet EU criteria and thus take steps towards EU membership. Collaboration with the authorities will continue and expand – and existing partnerships with civil society and media organisations will continue with the aim of developing the resilience of democratic institutions. The Danish focus is on anti-corruption

efforts, the ombudsman, young people, and strengthening resistance to disinformation.

- **Ukraine facility under the Investment Fund for Developing Countries (IFU)**

IFU will receive funds for co-financing new private investments in Ukraine. Where possible, there will be a focus on green and climate-related investments.

- **Ukraine efforts under Danida Sustainable Infrastructure Finance (DSIF)**

DSIF contributes to the reconstruction of critical infrastructure in Ukraine, including in DSIF's core areas of district heating and water supply, where DSIF can also bring a green profile to projects. Danish companies will be able to bid in the tender processes.

- **Humanitarian Support**

Support for humanitarian interventions including among others shelter, food security, displacement and humanitarian mine action and protection of women and children. Support is provided through established partnerships with among others UN, International Red Cross and civil society actors.

2. *Regional efforts including Ukraine – a total of DKK 200 million, comprising:*

- **Peace and stabilisation efforts in Eastern European neighbouring countries**

Under the civilian component of the Peace and Stabilisation Fund, a planned effort will focus on stabilisation of war- and crisis-affected areas, including support for emergency reconstruction, capacity support for local authorities, and psychosocial initiatives for traumatised persons. Particular focus will be given to strengthening the capacity of civil society to participate in this work.

- **Reform efforts in Georgia (Neighbourhood Programme)**

Support will be given to a reform programme in Georgia that aims to strengthen the democratic institutions and promote their resilience against interference and disinformation.

- **Other neighbouring countries, Democracy Fund and regional efforts**

Continued and strengthened support will be provided to Moldova, and funding has been allocated for additional regional initiatives, etc. in light of the situation. The New Democracy Fund will continue to strengthen resilience among democratic actors throughout the region, promote network building across the countries, and carry out efforts in relation to Belarus.