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The figure of EUR 47.7 billion of total disbursement with EUR 6.8 billion of disbursement to the Western Balkans and Türkiye refer to the global response to the COVID-19 pandemic, conducted by the Commission, EU Member States, the European Investment Bank (EIB) and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in a Team Europe approach, up to the end of 2021. Detailed overviews are presented in factsheets on the Commission's website<sup>1</sup>.

The purpose of this global Team Europe response to the COVID-19 pandemic is to support partner countries in dealing with the pandemic in three priority areas: 1) emergency response to immediate humanitarian needs; 2) strengthening health, water, sanitation and nutrition systems, and 3) mitigating the social and economic consequences of the pandemic.

The dedicated disbursement to the Western Balkans and Türkiye consists of EUR 1.2 billion from the Commission, EUR 159 million from Member States, EUR 2.6 billion from EIB and EUR 2.8 billion from EBRD.

On the Commission's side, EUR 503 million have been disbursed in this region by the Directorate-General (DG) Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, EUR 56 million by DG Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection, EUR 10 million by the Service for Foreign Policy Instruments and EUR 625 million by DG Economic and Financial Affairs (the latter as macro-financial assistance loans). Within this regional total, the Commission disbursed EUR 113 million to Türkiye, including disbursements made under the Trust Fund Madad.

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<sup>1</sup> [https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/IP\\_22\\_5431](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/IP_22_5431)