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# Public consultation – EU funding for civil protection, preparedness and response to crises

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#### Introduction

The current multiannual financial framework (MFF) – the European Union's (EU) long-term budget – runs until the end of 2027. In 2025, the Commission will put forth comprehensive proposals for the post-2027 long-term budget and for the next generation of funding programmes. These programmes will provide financial support to hundreds of thousands of beneficiaries, including regions, towns, non-governmental organisations, businesses, farmers, students and scientists.

Following President von der Leyen's <u>Political Guidelines</u> for the 2024-2029 European Commission, the Commission will work towards a simpler, more focused and responsive long-term budget that reflects the European strategic priorities with the ambition to be an investment Commission. The long-term budget for the period after 2027 must reflect this.

The next long-term budget should deliver on the things that matter the most, in areas where it can achieve more than Member States acting alone. This requires a careful assessment of both what has worked well in the past and what could be improved in the future. The next EU budget will draw lessons from the current one – especially in terms of simplicity, flexibility, speed, strategic focus and impact.

As an integral part of the process, the Commission is launching a series of public consultations to gather views from all interested parties on how to make the most of every euro of the EU budget.

To deliver on these objectives, this public consultation aims to gather the public's views related to funding on civil protection, preparedness and response to crises (for the purposes of this questionnaire, "crises" is understood in a broad sense, including all types of crises and phases of crisis management, anticipation, assessment, prevention, preparedness, response, recovery). The decision to cluster issues serves to support the preparatory work and does not pre-empt the architecture of future programmes.

The EU has experienced a wide range of challenges throughout its history and is constantly learning from these experiences to manage risks and threats and improve its ability to prepare for and manage future crises. Crises in recent years have ranged from conflict and disasters caused by climate change and environmental degradation to health crises and security threats, and they have shown how vulnerable and interdependent our societies have become.

The causes and consequences of crises are increasingly interconnected. This has led to a dynamic and complex landscape of risks and threats, with cascading and compounding effects, that often transcend national land and sea borders. Their political, social and economic impacts are felt across all sectors of European societies.

To tackle these challenges, the EU has put in place collaboration mechanisms to prevent, prepare for, manage and recover from crises. This is crucial to safeguard the EU population, essential services, and economic resources and assets. However, given the ever-evolving risk landscape, the EU's preparedness

for crises will need to be further strengthened (Niinistö report on strengthening Europe's Civilian and Military Preparedness and Readiness).

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#### Overall risk and threat landscape

Which risks and threats do you perceive as the most threatening to your personal life and/or economic situation (or your organisation's performance and objectives)? Please select three answers

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	Armed conflict
	Cyberattacks and hybrid threats
<b>V</b>	Disasters caused by climate change and environmental degradation (e.g.
	floods, heatwaves, droughts, forest fires, hurricanes, snowstorms)
	Disinformation
	Disruption of essential services
	Disruption of critical supply chains
	Economic and trade instability
<b>V</b>	Health emergencies (e.g. epidemics and pandemics)
	Maritime security threats and maritime disasters
	Migratory pressure and pressure on the EU's borders
	Misuses of chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear materials
	Natural and human-made threats in space
	Non-climate-related natural disasters (e.g. earthquakes, tsunamis, landslides,
	volcanic eruptions)

Snortage of workers
Threats to biodiversity and animal/plant health
Violence and social unrest
other
Which risks from outside the EU do you believe are most likely to have a spill-over effect on the EU? Please select three answers.  **Maximum 3 selection(s)**  Cyberthreats resulting from weak cybersecurity standards in interconnected in non-EU countries with whom the EU works  Disruption of essential services (e.g. underwater cables for energy or data)  Disruption of global supply chains due to natural and human-made causes  Infectious disease outbreaks  Irregular migration  Local conflicts or political instability in neighbouring regions  Terrorism and cross-border organised crime, such as drug trafficking  Other
Which policy areas should the EU prioritise when working with non-EU countries to strengthen their resilience to crises that may also affect the EU (a concept called 'mutual resilience')? Please select three answers.  Maximum 3 selection(s)
Assistance for a coordinated response to crises, including at land and sea  Conflict early warning, conflict prevention, stabilisation and peacebuilding  Coordinated responses to the impacts of climate change and environmental degradation  Cybersecurity and protection of essential services  Economic security and protection of global supply chains  Health systems: strengthening and supporting responses to health emergencies (e.g. infectious disease outbreaks)  Using of space-based services and applications for crisis management (including prevention, public alerts, preparedness and recovery efforts)  Strengthening non-EU countries' border controls

EU activities on civil protection, preparedness and crisis response

# In your view, how important are the objectives below?

	Very important	Important	Moderately important	Not at all important	Don't know/ not applicable
Support conflict early warning, conflict prevention and peacebuilding beyond the EU's borders so the EU can act in solidarity in its neighbourhood and beyond	•	0	•	•	•
Support preparedness and ensure the EU can react to unexpected events to act in solidarity with its citizens and beyond	•	0	•	0	0
Ensure that all policy sectors and all government levels (local, regional, national, EU) work seamlessly together to prevent, prepare for and respond to crises	•	©	•	•	•
Include all parts of society (general public, civil society organisations, private sector etc.) in preparedness and crisis management efforts	•	©	•	•	•
Focus on the most exposed and vulnerable EU regions	•	0	0	0	0
Take into account all types of hazards in proactive, anticipatory and evidence-based approach to threats and risks	•	0	•	0	0

# In the following areas/risks/threats, to what extent would EU investments have more added value than individual Member State investments?

	To a large extent	Somewhat	Very little	Not at all	Don't know/ not applicable
Armed conflict	0	0	0	0	•
Cyber and hybrid threats	0	0	0	0	•

Disasters caused by climate change and environmental degradation (e.g. floods, heatwaves, droughts, forest fires, hurricanes snowstorms)	•	©	0	0	0
Disruptions of essential services, including space systems	0	•	0	0	0
Disruptions of supply chains, including supply chains of critical materials	•	0	0	0	0
Economic and trade instability	0	•	0	0	©
Health emergencies (e.g. epidemics and pandemics)	•	0	0	0	©
Maritime security threats	0	0	0	0	•
Migratory pressure and pressure on the EU's external borders	0	0	©	0	•
Misuse of chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear substances	0	0	0	0	•
Natural and human-made threats in space	•	0	0	0	©
Non-climate-related natural disasters (e.g. earthquakes, tsunamis, landslides, volcanic eruptions)	•	0	0	0	©
Threats to biodiversity and animal/plant health	•	0	0	0	0
Violence and social unrest	0	0	0	0	•
Other	0	0	0	0	0

In which of the following areas would strategic reserves/stockpiles at both EU and national level have the most added value? Please select three answers.

Maximum 3 selection(s)

Other

Naximum 3 selection(s)
Civil protection equipment
Countermeasures for chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear threats
Critical raw materials
Energy and energy equipment
Food and drinking water
Industrial products, information and communication technology (ICT)
components
Medical equipment, vaccines, diagnostics and medicines
□ Shelter

To what extent do you agree that the EU budget should support the following objectives?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Do not know /no opinion
Assist people and businesses in the EU affected by crises	•	0	0	0	0	0
Assist people and businesses outside the EU affected by crises	•	0	0	0	0	0
Preparedness for crises in the EU	•	0	0	0	0	0
Preparedness for crises outside the EU	•	0	0	•	0	0
Minimise risks and threats and prevent crises in the EU	•	0	0	0	0	0
Minimise risks and threats and prevent crises outside the EU	•	0	0	0	0	0
Support Member States' recovery efforts after a major crisis	•	0	0	•	•	0
Communicate and share information on civil protection activities (UCPM Knowledge Network)	•	0	•	0	0	•
Support community-driven and citizen-led preparedness initiatives in Member States	•	0	0	0	0	0

If you wish to reply to questions that require a certain familiarity with EU civil protection, preparedness and response to crises, please answer the following questions:

Do you think that civil-military cooperation (to prepare for and respond to crises) is beneficial and should be intensified at EU level?

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Maximum 1 selection(s)
To a large extent
Somewhat
Very little
Not at all
Don't know/Not applicable

To what extent do you agree that the private sector can contribute to the EU's civil
protection, preparedness and crisis response activities?
Maximum 1 selection(s)
Strongly agree
✓ Agree
Neither agree nor disagree
Disagree
Strongly disagree
Do not know/no opinion
In your view, in which areas is cooperation with the private sector necessary for the
success of EU civil protection, preparedness and response to crises? Please select
all that apply.
Agriculture and food production, processing and distribution
Banking
Digital infrastructure
Drinking water
Energy
Financial markets
Health
Industry
Insurance
Outer space
Public administration
Research and innovation
$\overline{\mathbb{V}}$ Security of supply chains, including critical supply chains and availability of
goods and services needed in a crisis
Transport
Wastewater
Other
To what extent do you agree with the following statement: 'EU civil protection,
preparedness and response to crises sufficiently use strategic foresight,
anticipation and early warning systems.'  Maximum 1 selection(s)
Strongly agree

Agree
Neither agree nor disagree
Disagree
Strongly disagree
Do not know/no opinion
What improvements could strengthen EU risk anticipation, forecasting and early warning systems? Please select all that apply.
Better accessibility and use of EU space-based data (including Earth observation)
Better coordination among national governments and EU institutions
Better information sharing, including between civil and military authorities and in the maritime area
An EU-wide risk assessment to complement national risk assessments
More citizen engagement
More scientific research
Better services and applications for disaster management
Stronger cooperation with the private sector
Other
In your view, to what extent are the needs of vulnerable populations currently met by EU crisis preparedness policies (e.g. young people, older people, persons with disabilities, people in low-income communities, migrants and refugees)?  Maximum 1 selection(s)
To a large extent
Somewhat
✓ Very little
Not at all
Don't know//not applicable
Do you have any feedback or comments EU's work on civil protection,

Do you have any feedback or comments EU's work on civil protection, preparedness and crisis response?

Health is a pillar of democracy. While its contribution to crisis preparedness and crisis response is essential, health should not be limited to this scope. We call for the implementation of the health in all policies principle, and the continuation of health funding through an ambitious EU4Health programme. It is essential that the EU keeps in mind the lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic and invests strongly in health systems. This includes preparing but also adapting health systems to the increasing demand of care due to climate change and other global health threats. Regarding the workforce, the focus should be on addressing training needs and improving working conditions.

Health is an investment and should be considered as such, not as a cost. Studies have shown that every euro invested in health generates, on average, an economic return of 14 euros. Urgently addressing current challenges, including noncommunicable diseases, cross-border health threats, and health workforce shortages should remain a top priority for the next MFF, by investing in prevention and health systems, to name but a few areas. In addition, health civil society organisations should be supported financially in a sustainable way, through a strong EU4Health programme, to be able to support its implementation.

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