



EU #CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE

June 2021



The battle against the virus is a marathon and not a sprint. It needs foresight, endurance and stamina.

President von der Leyen
10 February 2021

Principles of #EUSolidarity



A **European vaccines strategy**



Coordinating **emergency resources, national measures and travel restrictions**



Cushioning **economic impacts and supporting jobs**



Helping people stay **safe** through **testing and quarantine recommendations**



Helping **EU neighbours and global partners**



Coronavirus Crisis
EU Response

Elements of Response

1. Health and emergency response
2. Economic response and recovery

1897 adopted measures,
including **927** state aid decisions
(*as of June 8*)

1. Health and emergency response



EU Vaccines strategy



European Health Union



Getting protective equipment where it's needed

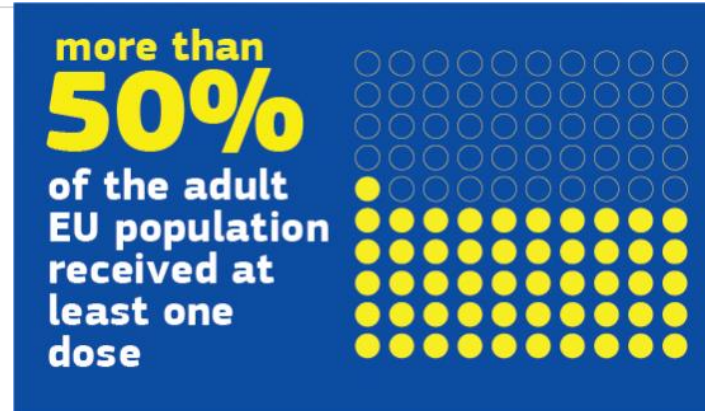
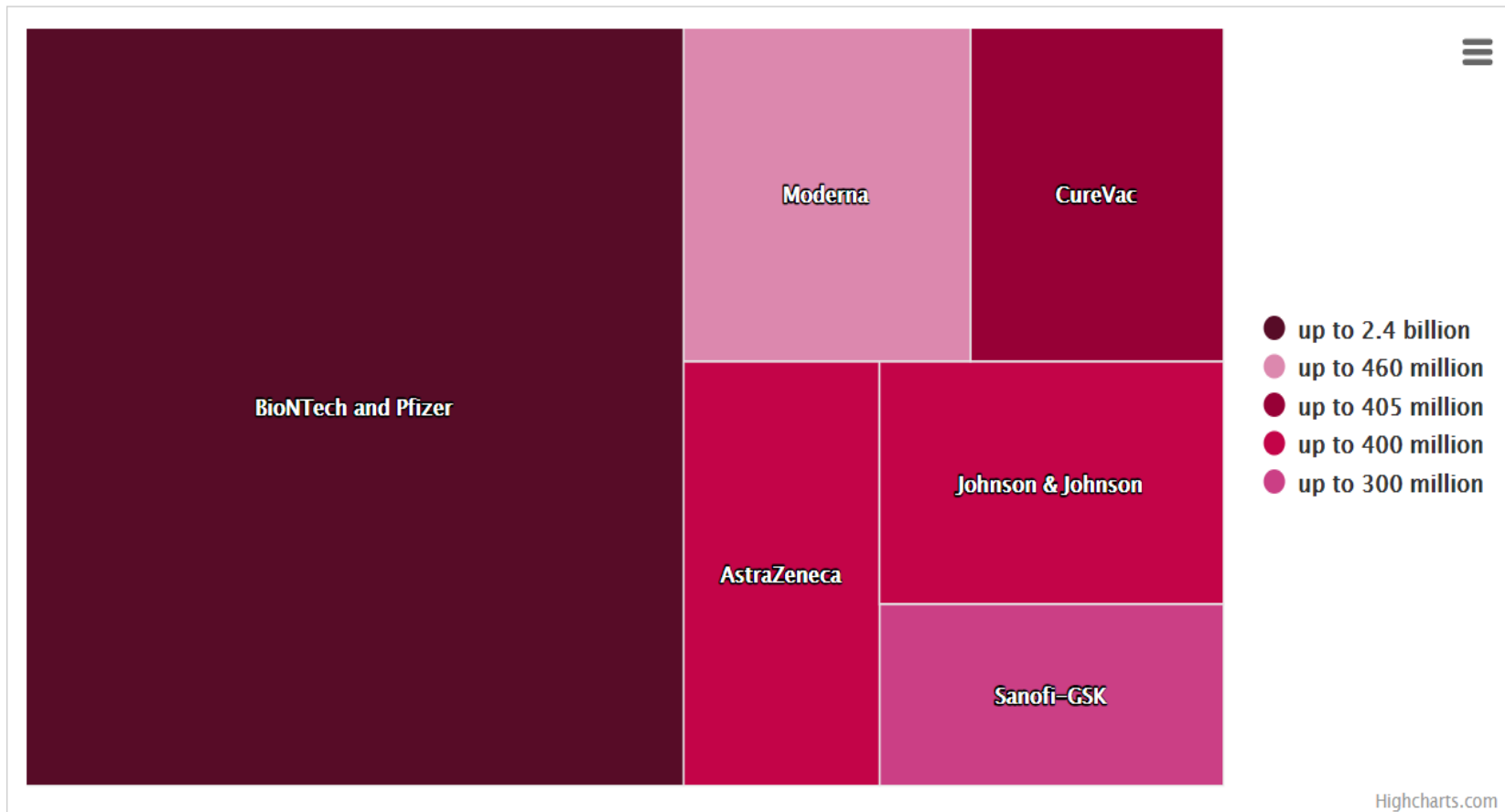


Buying supplies together – making it faster and cheaper



Direct EU funding to support health systems

Safe and effective vaccines against COVID-19



In mid-June, the EU has passed 300 million vaccinations

The EU Vaccines Strategy for a lasting solution to the pandemic



4 authorised vaccines:
Up to **4.4 billion doses** to cover at least 70% of the population (*June 2021*)

6 Advance Purchase Agreements with vaccine manufacturers

EU Vaccines Strategy



Quality, safety and efficacy of vaccines. Six contracts for the purchase of a vaccine concluded.



Timely access to vaccines for Member States and their population while leading the global solidarity effort.

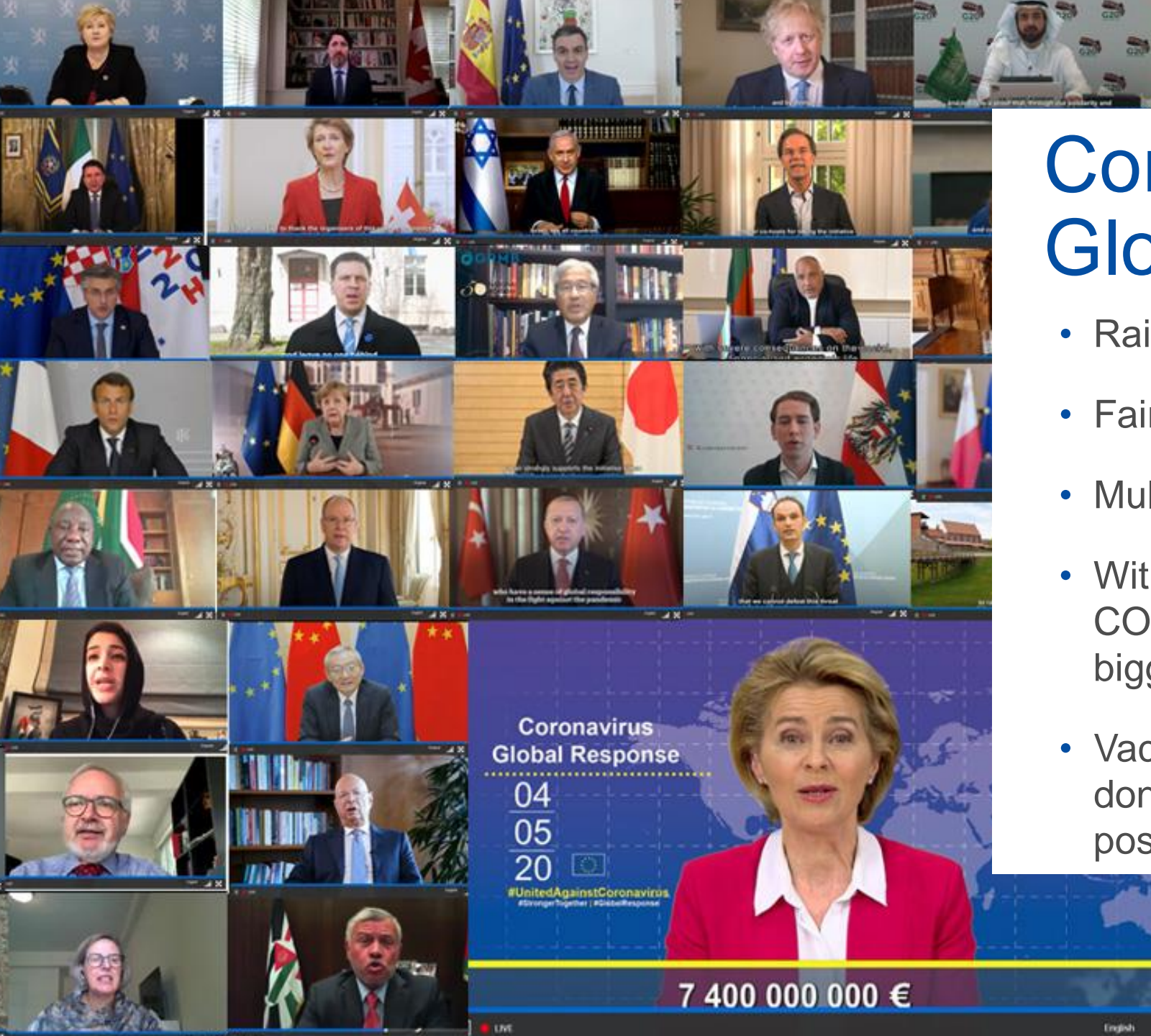


Equitable and affordable access for all in the European Union as early as possible.



By the end of summer 2021, to have enough doses delivered to vaccinate a minimum of **70% of the entire adult population**.





Coronavirus Global Response

- Raised €15,9 billion to fill funding gap
- Fair and universal access to vaccines
- Multilateral effort with EU in the lead
- With almost €3 billion in support of COVAX, the EU as a whole is COVAX's biggest donor
- Vaccine Sharing Mechanism to facilitate donations of 2.6 billion doses, with the possibility to share with other countries

European Health Union

- Better **protect the health** of citizens
- Prevent and tackle **future pandemics**
- **Improve resilience** of Europe's health systems
- **Strengthen** EU medical and scientific **agencies**
- The EU **Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority (HERA)**





Solidarity in Action

- COVAX Facility
- EU Civil Protection Mechanism
- rescEU - first stockpile of medical equipment
- Humanitarian Air Bridge
- Helping vulnerable populations
- Joint procurement
- EU Medical Corps

Global Health Summit & Rome Declaration

- Co-hosted by the European Commission and Italy, as chair of the **G20**
- **Rome Declaration**: foster all-of-society and health-in-all policies approaches, while investing in the worldwide health and care workforce
- EU proposal in **the World Trade Organization** on the use of compulsory licences, supporting the expansion of production and trade facilitation.
- EU pledged to donate some **100 million** vaccine doses by the end of 2021.



Safe travel

- **EU Digital COVID Certificate**
- Restoring **free movement**
- **Re-open EU** – web platform and app with information on health and travel measures
- **Common approach** to travel measures

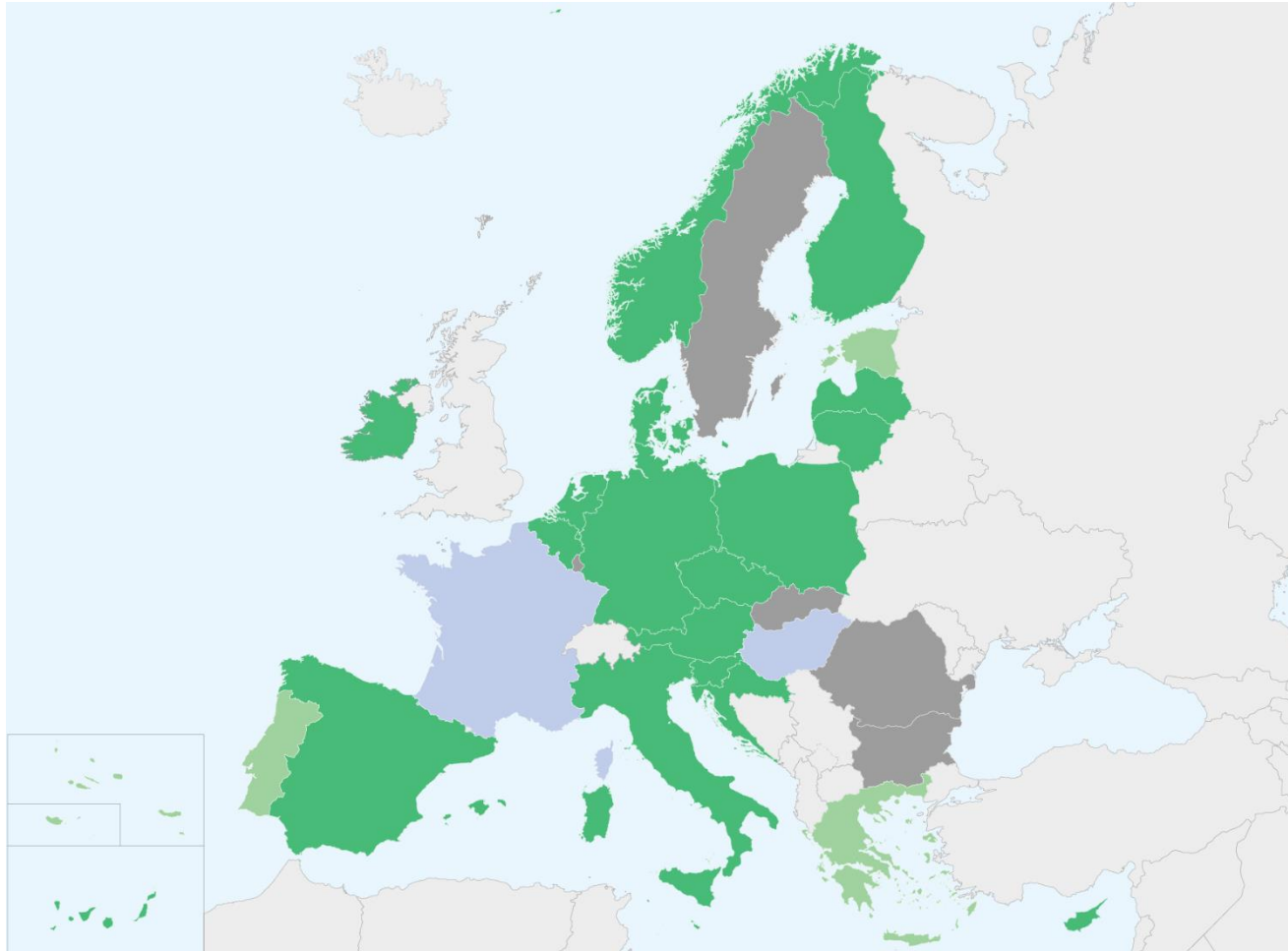


EU Digital COVID Certificate

- a **digital proof** that a person has:
 - been vaccinated against COVID-19
 - recovered from COVID- 19
 - received a negative test result
- its purpose is to **facilitate safe free movement** of citizens in the EU during the COVID-19 pandemic
- it is **not a precondition for travel** and regulation will be in effect **only for 12 months**
- available in all EU Member States **as of 1 July**



Contact tracing and warning apps



- **National contact tracing and warning apps** break transmission chains
- **20 national apps** are interoperable and **18 work across borders**
- Apps have been downloaded together **93 million times**
- **Strong data protection rules**

Fighting disinformation

- Strong communications environment with pre-emptive and positive messages
- Working with digital online platforms, including via the strengthening of the Code of Practice on Disinformation
- Material for myth-busting and fact checking
- Working with a broad coalition of partners, including healthcare professionals to build trust



2. Economic response

State aid rules

- Liquidity to economy
- Support businesses and jobs
- Approximately 3.05 trillion

SURE program

- Up to €100 billion
- Support for the unemployed

ECB measures

- €1.320 billion Pandemic Emergency Programme

Recovery Plan for Europe

- €806.9 billion NextGenerationEU
- €1210.9 billion long-term EU budget

Budget flexibility

- General Escape Clause activated, until 2022
- Maximum flexibility

Coronavirus Response Investment Initiative

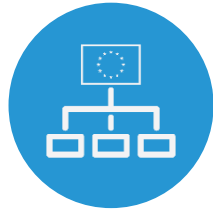
- around €18 billion in investments
- unspent cohesion funds
- €7.4 billion to hospitals
- €12 billion to businesses
- €3.8 billion to people

EU economic response



€524 bn

National measures taken under the flexibility of EU budgetary rules (general escape clause)



€100 bn

SURE - EU funding for short-time work schemes



€70 bn

Direct EU budget support



€2,553 bn

National liquidity measures, including schemes approved under temporary, flexible, EU State aid rules



€240 bn

European Stability Mechanism
Pandemic Crisis Support for Member States



€200 bn

EIB - European Investment Bank Group financing for businesses

Total: €3.7 trillion

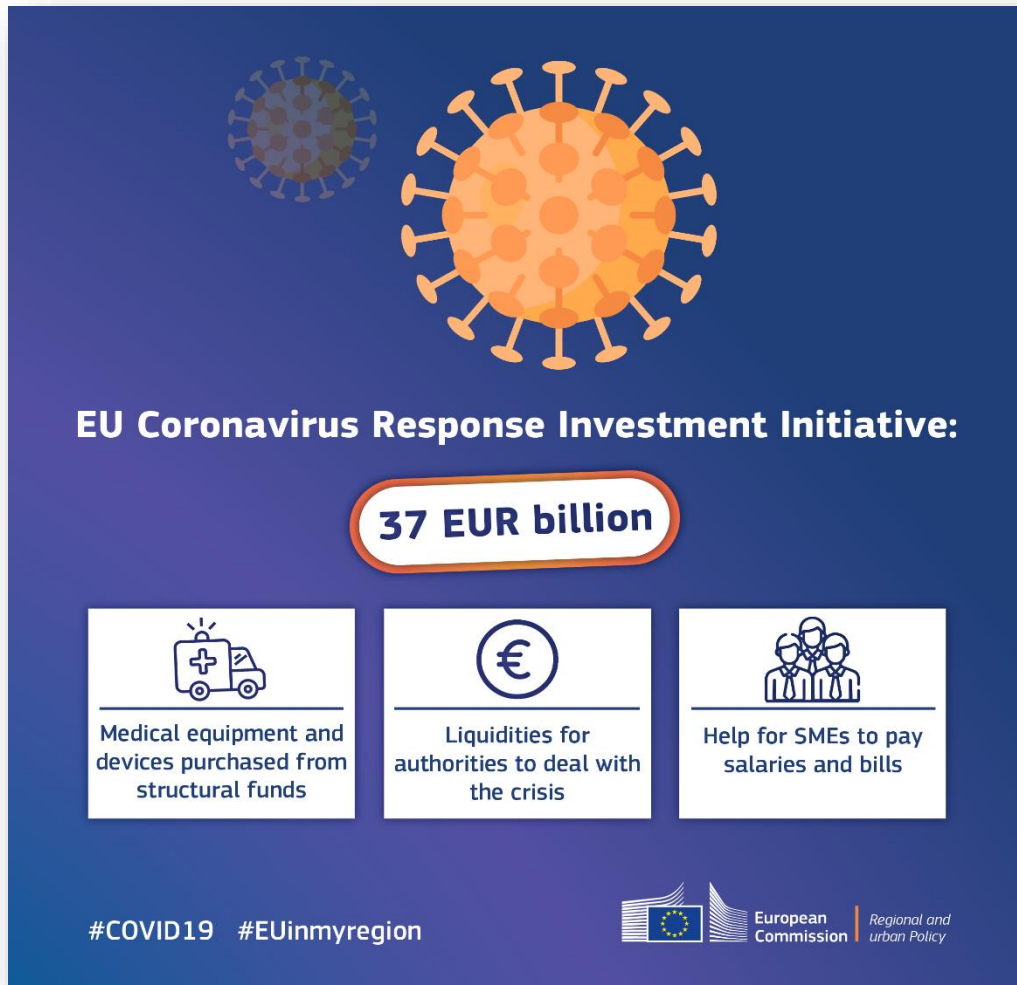
The ECB has launched the €1,350 billion Pandemic Emergency Purchase Programme

SURE: €94.3 billion

 €8.2 billion Belgium	 €21.3 billion Spain	 €957 million Lithuania	 €5.9 billion Portugal
 €511 million Bulgaria	 €1 billion Croatia	 €504 million Hungary	 €4.1 billion Romania
 €2 billion Czechia	 €27.4 billion Italy	 €420 million Malta	 €1.1 billion Slovenia
 €2.5 billion Ireland	 €604 million Cyprus	 €11.2 billion Poland	 €631 million Slovakia
 €5.3 billion Greece	 €305 million Latvia	 230 million Estonia	




The amounts are rounded.

EU Coronavirus Response Investment Initiative




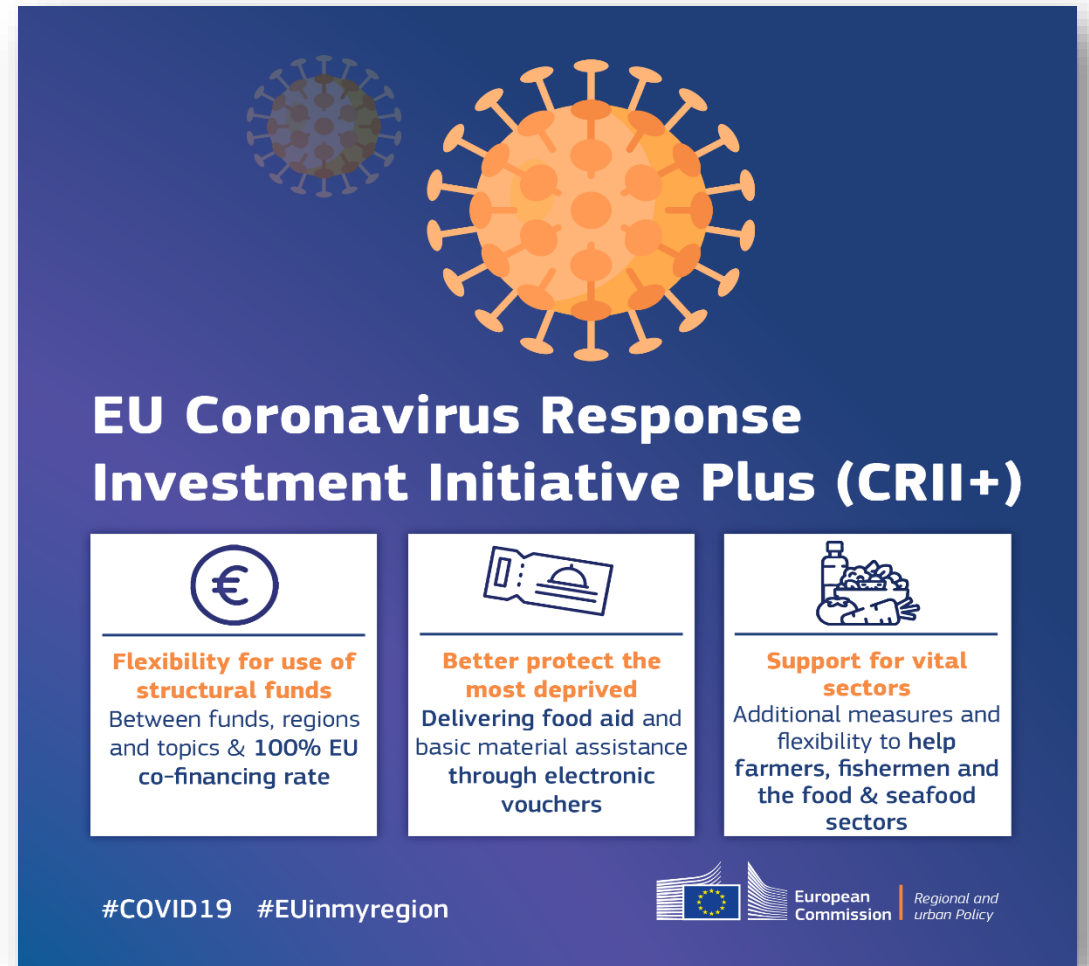
EU Coronavirus Response Investment Initiative:

37 EUR billion




-  Medical equipment and devices purchased from structural funds
-  Liquidities for authorities to deal with the crisis
-  Help for SMEs to pay salaries and bills

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EU Coronavirus Response Investment Initiative Plus (CRII+)

- **Flexibility for use of structural funds**
Between funds, regions and topics & 100% EU co-financing rate
- **Better protect the most deprived**
Delivering food aid and basic material assistance through electronic vouchers
- **Support for vital sectors**
Additional measures and flexibility to help farmers, fishermen and the food & seafood sectors

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Recovery Plan for Europe: NextGenerationEU




Supporting Member States to recover, repair and emerge stronger from the crisis



Kick starting the economy and helping private investment to get moving again



Learning the lessons of the crisis and addressing Europe's strategic challenges



Multiannual Financial Framework	€1210.9 billion
NextGenerationEU	€806.9 billion
Total long-term EU budget	€2,018 trillion

In today's prices

More on the recovery



- European Investment Group
 - €25 billion guarantee
- EU Solidarity Fund

Green, Digital and more resilient EU



Fighting climate change, 37% of the EU funds, the highest share ever of the European budget



Digital transformation, data, technology and infrastructures, 20% of the budget



Protecting health, reinforce preparedness, recovery and resilience

Recovery: Green transition

- Europe's growth strategy and hundreds of thousands of new green jobs
- Just Transition Fund to assist Member States and ensure support to those most affected
- Europe more resilient and strategically autonomous
- 37% for green investments and reforms under the Recovery and Resilience Facility



Recovery: Digital transformation

- Connectivity (5G and broadband) and technology (High Performance Computing, AI and blockchain)
- Data economy
- Fair online business environment
- Skills Agenda for Europe and Pact for Skills
- Cybersecurity
- 20% for digital investments and reforms under the Recovery and Resilience Facility
- Europe's Digital Decade



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