



EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis the 'Madad Fund'

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A Fund to address increasing needs

A conflict without end in sight

- Total EU (EU budget + MS) investment so far: € 5 bn
- <u>But:</u> Appeals (3RPs or for inside Syria) increased by almost 200% over last 3 years and are increasingly underfunded:

2013: US\$ 3 billion, funded 70%

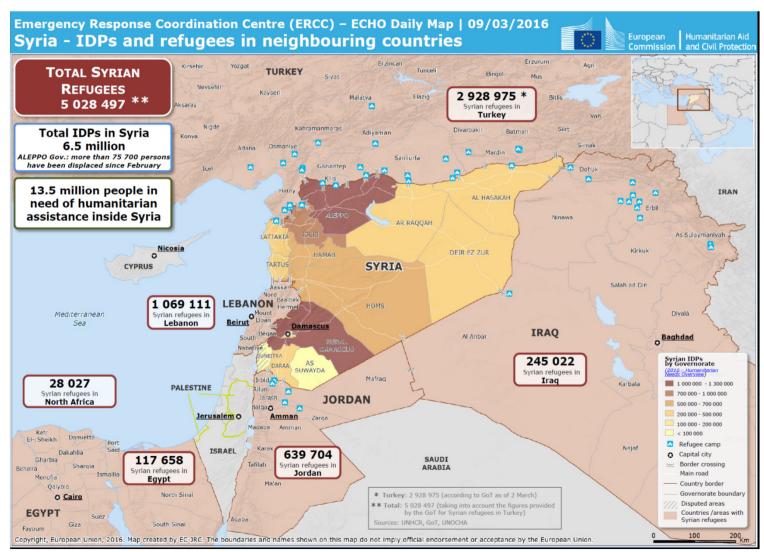
2014: US\$ 6 billion, funded 58%

2015: US\$ 8.4 billion, funded 50%,

----> resilience pillar only 20% funded

- Humanitarian donor budgets are not sufficient and geared towards protracted crisis, and needs become increasingly structural – resilience, recovery, education.
- Development aid budgets are programmed for years in advance.
 Need flexible financing instrument.







Madad Fund added value

- 1. Regional & multi-country scope
- 2. Integrating different EU development instruments (ENI, IPA, DCI) and MS contributions
- 3. Flexible, fast & more European coherence
- 4. European visibility: Donor AND Doer
- 5. A potential vehicle for a future joint post-conflict recovery and reconstruction effort in Syria



Coordination and ownership

- A regional financial mechanism does not mean a regional super-structure to add unnecessary layers.
- See it as a strategic and flexible investment account for donors and countries of the region.
- Coordination will be national and respond to refugee host countries' national plans within 3RP priorities
- Strategic allocation however in EUTF Board among donors.
- Existing Syria Recovery Trust Fund (7 EUMS) permanent observer, UN, WB to be associated as observers as needed.



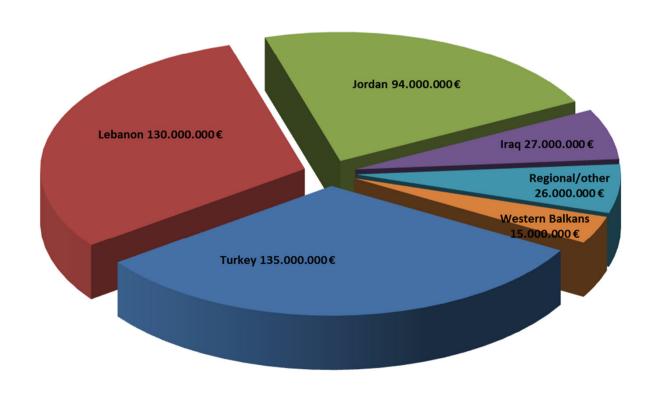
Game Changer: Migration crisis

Managing the refugee crisis: immediate operational, budgetary and legal measures under the European Agenda on Migration communication for the extraordinary European Council of 23 September

- EU Trust Fund was reinforced by an additional €300 million from the 2015 EU budget to better respond to the root causes of the current refugee and migration crises.
- Pledges and contributions from now 21 EU Member States for an additional €66 million have been received
- Including other contributions from the EU budget already planned and underway, the Trust Fund has, within a very short time, reached a total volume of €730 million - €640 million from the EU budget. Target: €1 billion
- Programmes adopted: €427 million



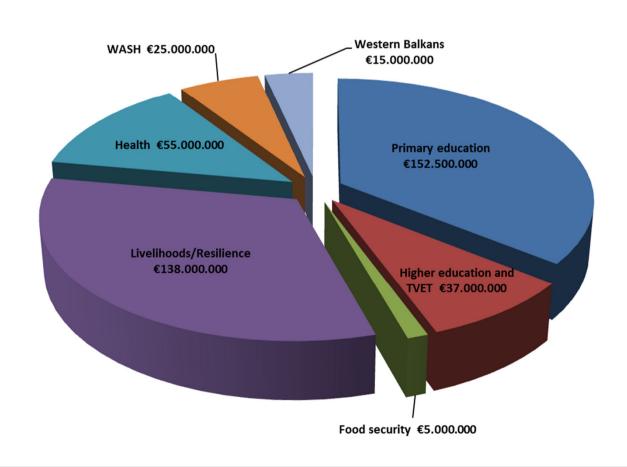
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Overall sectors and priorities

- MADAD funds are for non-humanitarian nature; ECHO does humanitarian aid
- Stabilisation (3RP resilience pillar): education, municipal services, livelihoods, health balanced support benefitting refugees and host communities alike.
- (Higher) Education:
 - "If I don't get accepted to university this year, I am going back to Syria to fight. At least I will do something useful there instead of sitting around all day doing nothing". Syrian refugee in Gaziantep 2014
- Before the war in Syria, the **participation** of the age group 18-24 in **higher education** was **20%**. **Today**, this has dropped dramatically to almost **half**, and among the more than 400,000 of this age group having **fled the country**, **less than 5%** have access to higher education today.



Syrian Students in need in Syria and outside Syria

Country	Syrians aged 18- 24 in the country (est.)	Syrians enrolled in higher education	20% target	Current Participation	Gap to fill with intervention
Syria (2010)	3,340,500 ^(b)	661,281 ^(a)		20%	
Lebanon	146,456	8,549	29,291	6%	20,742
Jordan	77,718	6,057	15,544	8%	9,487
Turkey	145,310	1,784	29,062	1%	27,278
Syria IDPs (2014)	969,760 ^(d)	164,859 (not possible to determine) ^(c)	193,952	17%	29,093
Iraq, Egypt, Other	54,552	4,224	10,910	8%	6,686
Total (excl. Syria 2010)	1,393,796	185,473	278,759	13%	93,286

⁽a) Syrian Central Bureau of Statistics

⁽b) Estimation based on United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), Population Division (2013). (c) A note of caution: This, more than the figures for the other countries, is a very rough estimate meant solely to give a sense of scale of the problem within the country.

⁽d) Estimation based on an IDP population of 7.6m (reported by the EU Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection department (ECHO)).



How to best invest in Higher Education?

It is more cost effective to support refugees, IDPs and host communities in their neighbourhood then to bring them to Europe – cost ratio 1:10

- Use existing programs for scaling up
- Identify existing partnerships (within Europe and in the region) to extend
- Prepare for the day after
- Galvanise European knowledge and capacities



Overall targets

- €37 million overall investment
- 3500+ scholarships
- 4000+ courses
- 40,000+ counselling



Spark

Providing access to higher, vocational and distance education in Iraq, Turkey, Syria and Lebanon: Syrian refugee students, IDPs and disadvantaged Lebanese, Iraqis and Turkish youth in the field of engineering, economics health care, sciences, social sciences and education/teacher training

- 100 students with full scholarships in Turkey
- 400 students with full scholarships in Lebanon
- 250 students with full scholarships in Iraq/KRG
- 100 students with full scholarships in the field of Distance Education in Iraq/KRG
- 900 students with full scholarships in Syrian territories under FSA control
- 250 students with full scholarships Vocational Education in Lebanon



German Jordanian University

- Providing access to higher and vocational education in Jordan for Syrian refugee students and disadvantaged Jordanians in the field of engineering, economics health care, sciences, social sciences and education/teacher training:
 - **□** 600 students with full scholarships in Jordan
 - ☐ 400 students with full scholarships for Vocational Education in Jordan



Coordination and steering is key

- Need to ensure HOPES partners, GJU, Spark and regional HE institutions are linked up
- Original proposal of EU HE study: clearinghouse for providers and students
- Central portal: 'jami'ati'?
- We expect HOPES to play a central role
- Upscaling: Madad likely to be extended beyond 2019



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