

# EU response to the Syrian crisis

## **JORDAN**



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Press and Information Officer Reem Al Jazi tel +962 (6) 4607000 ext: 108 e-mail Reem.AL-JAZI@eeas.europa.eu For two years now, the EU has been undertaking all possible actions and reflections to support the people of Syria as well as the neighbouring hosting countries.

Over 2 billion euros have been committed by the EU and its Member States in response to the Syrian crisis, making the EU the world's largest donor.

While the bulk of the funds is committed to humanitarian interventions inside Syria, with an estimated **6.8 million people in need of aid** and over 4.25 million internally displaced. An increasing amount is being directed at alleviating pressures on neighbouring countries, in particular Jordan and Lebanon.

#### **JORDAN SPECIFIC NUMBERS**

The EU recognizes Jordan's **vital role** in providing support to the Syrian refugees who now consist 10% of the Kingdom's population. Realizing the burden this creates on the country's resources and the resulting enormous strain the country is put under, the EU remains deeply committed to assisting the Jordanian Government in its response to the refugee crisis.

Over 540,000 **refugees** have been registered or are awaiting registration with the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) as of 30 October 2013, of which around 120,000 are registered in Zaatari camp, 3,700 in the Emirates Jordanian camp, and around 420,000 refugees are dispersed in the country's poverty pockets.

So far, the European Commission has channelled more than €85 million to Jordan through humanitarian, crisis response and development instruments.

The Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection department of the Commission (ECHO) has so far provided €61.5 million for the provision of services such as health, food assistance, non-food items, shelter, water and sanitation, psychosocial support and protection to refugees both in camps and living in urban settings. The provision of basic services in villages and towns across the country also includes vulnerable Jordanian families. An additional €53 million are currently being allocated to ensure the continuity of humanitarian aid.

Development assistance focuses on education targeting both Syrian and Jordanian children. EU support aims to increase access to formal and informal education. On 4 June 2013 a new EU-UNICEF-funded school at the Zaatari Refugee camp was opened. The school provides space for 5,000 Syrian refugee children to attend classes and receive education. The EU support for education aims to provide training for 820 school teachers in emergency settings, psychosocial support and child protection, child-to-child methodology, classroom management and inclusion. It also works on providing orientation for 400 counsellors, on psychosocial activities in schools in host communities and camps.

The European Commission is working on a new package of €60 million to support Jordan's host communities: this additional contribution could provide budget support to Jordan for the education sector, support to municipal services and health sector and enhancement of economic opportunities and job creation through additional grant scheme targeting the North through the Jordan Enterprise Development Cooperation (JEDCO). Moreover, a package of €20 million is prepared through the EU Instrument of Stability.

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# **ACTIVITIES IN JORDAN**

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#### **EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP INSTRUMENT (ENPI)**

Emergency Education Response for Displaced Syrian Children and Host Communities in Jordan

Amount €21.14 million

Objective to contribute to safe and appropriate services for vulnerable Syrians living in Jordan.

Expected results to give vulnerable children, adolescents and youth access to formal education, alternative learning activities and psychosocial support at community level, schools and camp settings.

Main partner UNICEF, UNESCO

Beneficiaries: Displaced Syrian children and education professionals in Jordan.

#### **INSTRUMENT FOR STABILITY**

### Protection needs have displaced Syrians

Amount €2.9 million

Objective to ensure access to protection of displaced Syrians, strengthen national and local authorities, assist host communities in meeting the needs of displaced Syrians.

Main partner UNHCR

Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees in Jordan

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# EUROPEAN COMMISSION HUMANITARIAN AID & CIVIL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (ECHO)

Humanitarian support €61.5 million

Refugee registration, camp management and coordination, provision of items basic household items, shelter and health services in refugee camps

Area of intervention: Countrywide

Partner: UNHCR

Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees and vulnerable host communities

#### Food assistance

Area of intervention Countrywide

Partner: WFP

Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees and vulnerable host communities

Shelter, shelter rehabilitation and provision of basic household items Area of intervention: Amman municipality, Mafraq, Irbid, Zaqra, Karak,

Ma'an, Tafile governorate, Zaatari refugee camp

Partner: ACTED, AVSI, Save the Children, Norwegian Refugee Council, Danish Refugee Council, Intersos, Mercy Corps, Premiere Urgence/AMI, Medair, International Catholic Migration Commission, UNRWA Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees and vulnerable host communities

#### Water, sanitation and hygiene services

Area of intervention: Countrywide, Mafraq, Zarqa, Irbid, Jerash and Balqa

governorates

Partner: UNICEF, Oxfam, World Vision, ACTED, AFC, Mercy Corps Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees and vulnerable host communities

## Protection, healthcare services and psycho-social assistance

Area of intervention: Mafraq governorate, Zaatari refugee camp Partner UNFPA, IRC, Save the Children, ACF, UNICEF, UNHCR, Handicap International

Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees and vulnerable host communities

# Provision of emergency healthcare for people with disabilities and the injured

Area of intervention: Irbid, Zarqa and Mafraq governorates, Zaatari refugee

cam

Partner: Handicap International, Mercy Corps, UNHCR Beneficiaries: Syrian refugees and vulnerable host communities

## Cash assistance to vulnerable refugee families

Area of intervention: country wide

Partner: CARE International, Save the Children, International Rescue Committee, Danish Refugee Council, Norwegian Refugee Council, AVSI, Mercy

Corps, Premiere Urgence /AMI, UNHCR

Beneficiaries: vulnerable refugee families

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