Basic information

2025/0138(BUD) BUD - Budgetary procedure	Procedure completed
Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund: assistance to Austria, Poland, Czechia, Slovakia and Moldova relating to floods occurred in September 2024 and Bosnia and Herzegovina relating to floods occurred in October 2024 **Subject** 3.70.11 Natural disasters, Solidarity Fund 8.70.49 2025 budget **Geographical area** Austria Czechia Moldova Poland Slovakia	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	HALICKI Andrzej (EPP)	28/05/2025
	Shadow rapporteur NEMEC Matjaž (S&D) FURET Angéline (PfE) RZOŃCA Bogdan (ECR) STREIT Joachim (Renew) ȘTEFĂNUȚĂ Nicolae (Greens/EFA)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
REGI Regional Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Budget	SERAFIN Piotr

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
27/05/2025	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2025)0250	
16/06/2025	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
24/06/2025	Vote in committee		
25/06/2025	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	A10-0114/2025	Summary
09/07/2025	Decision by Parliament	T10-0152/2025	Summary
09/07/2025	Results of vote in Parliament		
09/07/2025	Draft budget approved by Council		
23/07/2025	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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European Parliament

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Committee draft report		PE774.284	28/05/2025	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE774.448	11/06/2025	
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading		A10-0114/2025	25/06/2025	Summary
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament		T10-0152/2025	09/07/2025	Summary

European Commission

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Additional information

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European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Decision 2025/1525 OJ OJ L 23.07.2025	Summary

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2025/0138(BUD) - 09/07/2025 - Budgetary text adopted by Parliament

The European Parliament adopted by 643 votes to 13, with 35 abstentions, a resolution on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Austria, Poland, Czechia, Slovakia and Moldova relating to floods occurred in September 2024 and Bosnia and Herzegovina relating to floods occurred in October 2024.

Parliament adopted the decision to mobilise, within the Union's general budget for 2025, the following amounts in commitment and payment appropriations from the European Union Solidarity Fund, in relation to the floods that occurred in September and October 2024:

(a) **EUR 42 789 075** to Austria;

(b) **EUR 75 998 939** to Poland;

(c) **EUR 113 979 781** to Czechia;

(d) **EUR 2 108 187** to Slovakia;

(e) **EUR 195 196** to Moldova;

(f) **EUR 45 669 725** to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

In its resolution, Parliament highlighted the increasing number of severe, destructive and deadly natural disasters in Europe and called on Member States and the Commission to invest in climate change mitigation and adaptation measures. It suggested **substantially increasing the budget of the EUSF** or its equivalent, in the context of the Commission's upcoming proposal on the new Multiannual Financial Framework, so that the EUSF can provide citizens with assistance commensurate with the scale of these disasters. The Commission is invited to explore all possible avenues to accelerate the mobilisation of the EUSF.

Parliament called on the Commission to develop dedicated **crisis response instruments** for post-2027, emphasising the need to:

- enhance coordination with **national civil protection systems and early warning mechanisms** to ensure a more integrated and data-driven Union-wide response disaster response;

- provide specific support in the area of **cross-border and regional cooperation** for preparedness, mitigation and recovery efforts, particularly in vulnerable or high-risk areas.

Given that the EUSF is only a curative instrument, the Union should also **continue to address climate change adaptation** and mitigation by supporting European and national disaster prevention policies. The European Environment Agency's Report No 1/2024, "European Climate Risk Assessment," warned that the Union is unprepared for the impacts of climate change, even if the world manages to limit the global temperature increase to 1.5°C. Therefore, action is needed to prevent the identified climate risks from reaching critical levels.

Members believe that any reconstruction funded by the EUSF should be climate-resilient. They stressed the importance of ensuring adequate **flexibility** between different programmes and reaffirmed that EUSF support should not be to the detriment of Union funding received by Member States under other Union policies or programmes.

Recalling the importance of a rapid and solid damage assessment, Parliament called for increased operational efforts to **reduce the average time for the release of advanced payments**. It also stressed the importance of informing the public about the concrete positive impact of the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF).

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2025/0138(BUD) - 25/06/2025 - Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading

The Committee on Budgets adopted the report by Andrzej HALICKI (EPP, PL) on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Austria, Poland, Czechia, Slovakia and Moldova relating to floods occurred in September 2024 and Bosnia and Herzegovina relating to floods occurred in October 2024.

Members called on the Parliament to approve the decision annexed to the draft resolution.

The Commission proposes to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002 (EUSF regulation) for an amount of EUR 280 740 903 to provide assistance to Austria, Poland, Czechia, Slovakia, Moldova and Bosnia and Herzegovina in relation to the natural disaster (floods) that took place in 2024.

The report proposed that for the general budget of the Union for the financial year 2025, the European Union Solidarity Fund should be mobilised as follows in commitment and payment appropriations in relation to natural disasters:

For flooding:

- **EUR 42 789 075 to Austria** in relation to floods in September 2024;

- **EUR 75 998 939 to Poland** in relation to floods in September 2024;

- **EUR 113 979 781 to Czechia** in relation to floods in September 2024;

- **EUR 2 108 187 to Slovakia** in relation to floods in September 2024;

- **EUR 195 196 to Moldova** in relation to floods in September 2024;

- **EUR 45 669 725** to Bosnia and Herzegovina in relation to floods in October 2024.

Members considered that the budget of the EUSF or its equivalent should be substantially expanded in view of the upcoming Commission proposal on the new Multiannual Financial Framework and subsequent inter-institutional negotiations and that the EUSF or its equivalent must provide assistance commensurate to the magnitude of such disasters to citizens. Substantially increasing the EUSF would allow Member States to respond more effectively and quickly to disasters while other instruments, particularly cohesion funds whose primary purpose is not disaster response, could be preserved.

The Commission is also called on to:

- explore all possible avenues for accelerating the mobilisation of the EUSF, in particular by amending current rules and granting higher advance payments to applicant countries;

- develop dedicated crisis-response instruments for the post-2027 period;

- assess with due urgency any reasoned requests by Member States to reallocate funds within the National Recovery and Resilience plans to natural disaster assistance.

Lastly, Members stressed the urgent need to release immediate financial assistance through the EUSF to ensure that support can reach the affected regions in a timely manner.

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2025/0138(BUD) - 23/07/2025 - Final act

PURPOSE: Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide financial assistance following major natural disasters.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision (EU) 2025/1525 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2025 on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Austria, Poland, Czechia, Slovakia and Moldova relating to floods occurred in September 2024 and Bosnia and Herzegovina relating to floods occurred in October 2024.

CONTENT: The European Union Solidarity Fund aims to enable the Union to respond rapidly, efficiently and flexibly to emergency situations in order to express solidarity with the population of regions affected by major or regional natural disasters or by a major public health emergency.

For the general budget of the Union for the financial year 2025, the following amounts, in commitment and payment appropriations, are mobilised under the European Union Solidarity Fund for natural disasters:
(a) EUR 42,789,075 for Austria in relation to floods in September 2024;
(b) EUR 75,998,939 for Poland in relation to floods in September 2024;
(c) EUR 113,979,781 for Czechia in relation to floods in September 2024;
(d) EUR 2,108,187 for Slovakia in relation to floods in September 2024;
(e) EUR 195,196 for Moldova in relation to floods in September 2024;
(f) EUR 45,669,725 for Bosnia and Herzegovina in relation to floods in October 2024.

The financial assistance is intended to support the affected Member States and countries in addressing the consequences of the natural disasters.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: The decision enters into force on the date of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union, 23 July 2025.

APPLICATION DATE: The decision applies from 9 July 2025.

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