

Finland's support for Ukraine in 2014–2020

Finland has increased its support for Ukraine owing to the deteriorated political, economic and humanitarian situation in the country. In 2014–2020, over **EUR 56 million** was directed to various projects, international organisations' activities, humanitarian aid and secondment of experts. Finland supports Ukraine also through the EU, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank. OSCE observers, border control experts and election observers, as well as anti-corruption experts and experts in public administration reform, for example, have been deployed to Ukraine.

Development cooperation projects

In 2018–2022, Finland will continue its bilateral assistance by supporting Ukraine's **school reform** with EUR 8 million of which EUR 2 million is committed by EU). The Finland-Ukraine Trust Fund, established at NEFCO (Nordic Environment Finance Corporation), will allocate EUR 6 million in 2018–2021 to support **energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy and alternative types of energy sources** in Ukraine.

Finland has granted a total of EUR 1.2 million to support the **Council of Europe** Action Plan for Ukraine in 2014–2021, which aims to support Ukraine's constitutional reforms.

EUR 1.5 million has been granted to the EBRD-Ukraine Stabilisation and Sustainable Growth Multi-Donor Account (Ukraine MDA). The EBRD fund supports Ukraine's public administration reforms and strengthens private and SMEs' operational preconditions, the banking sector, energy efficiency and municipal services. The main projects have been support for the National Reform Council's work and the launch of Ukraine's first Business Ombudsman's office.

The **Energy Efficiency and Environment Partnership Fund (E5P), managed by the EBRD**, aims to develop district heating and improve energy efficiency in Ukraine. Finland supported this fund by EUR 2 million in 2010–2014.

In 2015, Finland allocated EUR 4 million for **rebuilding assistance**. Out of this assistance, EUR 2.75 million was allocated to the construction of a prefabricated school building that was commissioned by NEFCO, and EUR 0.75 million was directed to NEFCO's Nordic Energy Efficiency and Humanitarian Support Initiative.

In 2015–2018, Finland contributed EUR 0.3 million and in 2018–2020, 0.2 million to the **OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities' programme** in Ukraine. In addition, Finland supported projects carried out by other **OSCE organisations**, such as the **Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)**, the **OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media** and the **OSCE Project Co-ordinator** in Ukraine.

In 2010–2015, EUR 1.6 million was granted via the **World Bank's International Finance Corporation (IFC)** to the development of environmentally friendly, clean production in agriculture. In addition, Finland supported the **World Bank's District Heating project** by providing funding for the technical handling of procurements.

Two **civil society organisations (CSOs)** conducting projects in Ukraine have been granted support for 2018–2021: the **Crisis Management Initiative (CMI)** has been granted EUR 275,000 for a project related to Ukraine's peace process, and **Abilis Foundation** has been granted EUR 20,000 for the capacity building of organisations handling matters concerning people with disabilities and for their income generation. Previously Finland has



supported **Abilis Foundation's** project to found a "Perspektiva" rehabilitation center and **Elämä ja Valo's** (a registered association in Finland) Roma villages' project.

Finland directed EUR 1.5 million in 2009–2015 for a project focusing on conflict prevention skills and multilingual education carried out by the Peace Action, Training and Research Institute of Romania (**PATRIR**), an international non-governmental organization. The project started in Crimea and was later continued in other parts of Ukraine.

Finland has granted annually approximately EUR 100,000–150,000 for **funds for local cooperation (FLC) projects** that are managed by the Embassy of Finland in Kyiv. These appropriations have been channelled to Ukrainian non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

Humanitarian aid and humanitarian mine action

Finland has granted EUR 5.4 million in **humanitarian aid** for use in Ukraine. Last year, Finland granted EUR 0.7 million to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) through the Finnish Red Cross. 2020 the grant to Finnish Red Cross is EUR 0.8 million. In previous years, support has been granted also through the World Health Organisation (WHO), the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) and the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC).

For **humanitarian mine action** Finland has allocated EUR 2.1 million for 2016–2020 directed to HALO Trust's community-centred clearance programme and ICRC for medical services and landmine clearance.

Expert secondments

Finland has supported the activities of the **OSCE Special Monitoring Mission** in Ukraine over EUR 11 million (EUR 1.8 million for 2020). There are 25 Finnish observers working at the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission. Furthermore, Finland participates in the **OSCE Observer Mission at the Russian Checkpoints** with one border observer.

Finland second staff to the **European Union's Advisory Mission (EUAM)** Ukraine and the EU Border Assistance Mission (EUBAM) Moldova and Ukraine. At the moment eleven Finnish experts are working for EUAM and three experts for EUBAM. The Head of Mission of EUAM is also Finnish. One Finnish expert is working at the EU Delegation in Kyiv.

Finland funds one **gender specialist** to work at the Council of Europe's office in Kyiv in years 2017–2020. The period of secondment is maximum three years. During 2017–2018 one **UN Youth Volunteer** funded by Finland was working at UN Women Kyiv office.

Other support

In 2014–2019, Finland has supported the **G7's Nuclear Smuggling Detection and Deterrence** project and its predecessor, the **Nuclear Smuggling Outreach Initiative**, by EUR 1.65 million. The programme strengthens the capacity of Ukrainian border crossing points to prevent illicit trafficking in nuclear and radioactive materials on the border between Ukraine and Moldova.

In 2015–2016, Finland channelled EUR 0.4 million to two **projects implemented by CMI, which aim to find a solution to the conflict in Ukraine**. One project focused on high-level dialogue between Ukrainian and Russian experts while the other project worked with negotiators engaged in the official Trilateral Contact Group subgroups.



In 2014–2019, Finland supported **NATO's Partnership Programmes** in Ukraine by EUR 0.38 million. These included a project against improvised explosive devices, Professional Development Programmes, a Medical Rehabilitation Fund, and a Building Integrity Trust Fund. In addition, support has been given to the destruction of SALW, ammunitions and landmines. In July 2020, Finland joined the Steering Group of the NATO-Ukraine Platform on Countering Hybrid Warfare. Through its membership in the steering group, Finland supports Ukraine in combating hybrid threats.

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| Projects and humanitarian aid in 2020 | |
| Finnish Red Cross/ICRC, humanitarian aid | 800 000 |
| NEFCO/Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy and Alternative Type of Energy Sources | 500 000 |
| Nuclear Smuggling Detection and Deterrence, G7 | 264 000 |
| Funds for local cooperation (administered by the Embassy of Finland, Kyiv) | 100 000 |
| Vocational Education Planning Mission | 53 000 |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, budget contribution | 1 710 763 |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, COVID-19 voluntary contribution | 80 200 |
| Learning together Mid-term evaluation | 44 250 |
| Total | 4 196 243 |
| Projects and humanitarian aid in 2019 | |
| NEFCO/Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy and Alternative Type of Energy Sources | 500 000 |
| Finland's support to the Ukrainian school reform | 1 600 000 |
| Funds for local cooperation (administered by the Embassy of Finland, Kyiv) | 100 000 |
| Finnish Red Cross/ICRC, humanitarian aid | 700 000 |
| Council of Europe Action Plan 2018–2021 | 500 000 |
| OSCE/ODIHR's programme in Ukraine | 200 000 |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, budget contribution | 1 507 000 |
| NATO Professional Development Programme | 30 000 |
| NATO Ukraine Medical Rehabilitation Trust Fund | 50 000 |
| Humanitarian Mine Action | 600 000 |
| OSCE Monitoring Mission Voluntary Contribution | 500 000 |
| Total | 6 287 000 |
| Projects in 2018 | EUR |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, budget contribution | 1 342 000 |
| NEFCO/Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy and Alternative Type of Energy Sources | 800 000 |
| Finland's support to the Ukrainian school reform | 579 000 |
| CMI/Support to the Ukraine Peace Process (2018–2021) | 275 000 |
| G7 Nuclear Smuggling Detection and Deterrence | 232 000 |
| OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities Ukraine support programme | 200 000 |
| Funds for local cooperation (administered by the Embassy of Finland, Kyiv) | 100 000 |
| NATO TF project/EOD and C-IED in Ukraine | 40 000 |
| NATO Professional Development Programme | 20 000 |
| Abilis/Capacity-building of DPOs and income generation of PWDs (2018–2021) | 20 000 |
| Total | 3 608 000 |
| Projects and humanitarian aid in 2017 | EUR |
| Humanitarian Mine Action (2017–2020) | 1 535 000 |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, budget contribution | 1 360 000 |
| Finnish Red Cross, humanitarian aid | 900 000 |
| G7 Nuclear Smuggling Detection and Deterrence | 264 000 |



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| Funds for local cooperation (administered by the Embassy of Finland, Kyiv) | 100 000 |
| OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media | 100 000 |
| NATO Ukraine Medical Rehabilitation Trust Fund | 80 000 |
| Preparation of new projects | 83 200 |
| Total | 4 422 200 |
| Projects and humanitarian aid in 2016 | EUR |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, budget contribution | 1 350 000 |
| Finnish Red Cross, humanitarian aid | 500 000 |
| G7 Nuclear Smuggling Detection and Deterrence | 275 000 |
| CMI high-level expert dialogue and expert support for Trilateral Contact Group | 274 898 |
| WB/District Heating, implementation support for investments | 135 300 |
| Funds for local cooperation (administered by the Embassy of Finland, Kyiv) | 150 000 |
| NATO Ukraine Medical Rehabilitation Trust Fund | 50 000 |
| Rehabilitation centre for social, psychological and employment assistance (Abilis) | 10 868 |
| Total | 2 746 066 |
| Projects and humanitarian aid in 2015 | EUR |
| NEFCO funding for a prefabricated school building in Kherson | 2 750 000 |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, budget contribution | 1 163 250 |
| NEFCO Nordic Energy Efficiency and Humanitarian Support Initiative | 750 000 |
| Council of Europe Action Plan 2015–2017 | 500 000 |
| World Health Organisation, humanitarian aid | 500 000 |
| UN refugee agency UNHCR, humanitarian aid | 500 000 |
| Int'l Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, humanitarian aid | 500 000 |
| Tents for humanitarian relief | 300 000 |
| Nuclear Smuggling Outreach Initiative (NSOI), Second Line of Defence project | 275 000 |
| Funds for local cooperation (administered by the Embassy of Finland, Kyiv) | 175 000 |
| CMI high-level expert dialogue and expert support for Trilateral Contact Group | 100 000 |
| IFC/Cleaner Production Project in Ukraine | 100 000 |
| ODIHR Human Dimensions project on Civil society - government dialogue | 100 000 |
| OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities, Ukraine support programme | 100 000 |
| OSCE Anti-Corruption Interactive Training Programme in Ukraine and Moldova | 50 000 |
| OSCE PCU, international conference on national dialogue in Ukraine | 33 800 |
| NATO Ukraine Medical Rehabilitation Trust Fund | 40 000 |
| HUS/Mobile x-ray unit to a Ukrainian hospital | - |
| Total | 7 937 050 |
| Projects and humanitarian aid in 2014 | EUR |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, extra-budgetary contribution | 2 000 000 |
| EBRD Technical Cooperation Fund | 1 500 000 |
| Red Cross (ICRC), humanitarian aid | 500 000 |
| UN refugee agency UNHCR, humanitarian aid | 500 000 |
| E5P (Energy Efficiency and Environment Partnership Fund) | 500 000 |
| Nuclear Smuggling Outreach Initiative (NSOI), Second Line of Defence project | 340 000 |
| IFC/Cleaner Production Project in Ukraine | 300 000 |
| Stable development project of the international NGO, PATRIR | 300 000 |
| Funds for local cooperation (administered by the Embassy of Finland, Kyiv) | 175 000 |
| Council of Europe/Immediate measures package for Ukraine | 150 000 |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission, budget contribution | 96 000 |



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| OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities and OSCE ODIHR | 60 000 |
| Development programme for Ukrainian Roma villages (Elämä ja Valo ry) | 50 000 |
| NATO Ukraine II Partnership Trust Fund (SALW, ammunition, landmines destruction) | 40 000 |
| Total | 6 511 000 |
| Expert secondment costs in 2019 | EUR |
| OSCE Special Monitoring Mission personnel costs | 2 522 800 |
| EUBAM Moldova and Ukraine personnel costs | 104 000 |
| EUAM Ukraine personnel costs | 590 000 |
| European Council expert secondment | 90 000 |
| OSCE border monitoring mission personnel costs | 92 000 |
| Total | 3 398 800 |
| Expert secondment costs in 2020 (until 30.9.2020) | EUR |
| OSCE Monitoring Mission personnel costs | 1 848 000 |
| EUBAM Moldova and Ukraine personnel costs | 132 000 |
| EUAM Ukraine personnel costs | 516 500 |
| European Council expert secondment | 72 000 |
| OSCE border monitoring mission personnel costs | 46 500 |
| Total | 2 615 000 |
| Expert secondment costs 2014–2020 (until 30.9.2020) | 20 693 800 |
| FINLAND'S SUPPORT IN TOTAL 2014-2020 | EUR 56 401 359 |

