



**European Committee
of the Regions**

Brussels, *date of official registration*

Dear partners of the European Alliance of Cities and Regions for the Reconstruction of Ukraine,
Dear Members of the European Committee of the Regions,

Following the very difficult winter in Ukraine in view of daily attacks by the Russian Federation, and building on our earlier formal outreach to you on 3 March 2026, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to those who have already come forward with the donations and once again appeal for your kind support and assistance in helping to alleviate the continued critical disruptions of the functioning of energy, water, and heating infrastructure that deprived hundreds of thousands of residents across Ukrainian regions of access to basic services.

In this regard, you find enclosed an updated non-paper titled “Ukraine: Immediate Energy and Utilities Restoration and Repair Needs” as shared with the European Committee of the Regions (CoR) by the Mission of Ukraine to the European Union. It contains comprehensive information about specific needs aiming to facilitate support that is fit-for-purpose.

Let us take this opportunity to remind you of the following non-exhaustive list of avenues to channel your assistance and support:

- Through the national procedures in individual EU Member States, including via the respective national civil protection authorities, where appropriate. In case you need help with identifying the relevant contact point in a specific Member States you may inquire through ECHO-DONATIONS@ec.europa.eu.
- Private entities can coordinate their donations via the EU Emergency Response Coordination Centre (ECHO-Donations@ec.europa.eu), who have established a dedicated system of coordination to assist interested private donors.
- Via the Association of Ukrainian Cities, who can help verify the needs and identify priority locations. Donation proposals can be sent to help@auc.org.ua and auc.communities@gmail.com.
- The Mission of Ukraine to the EU is also available to facilitate the necessary coordination with the Ukrainian authorities.
- Through the direct city-to-city and region-to-region partnerships established by the EU municipalities and regions with the Ukrainian counterparts.

Furthermore, in view of the consistent requests for energy related support, including by the EU High Representative and European Commission Vice-President Kaja Kallas and Ukraine's Ambassador to the EU Vsevolod Chentsov, we would like to kindly request you to provide feedback on the support and initiatives that you undertake to the Secretariat of the CoR (supportukraine@cor.europa.eu). We would appreciate

receiving information about all energy-related support that you might have provided since the beginning of Russia's unjustified aggression against Ukraine.

This information will allow the CoR to highlight the role of local and regional authorities and decentralised partnerships in supporting Ukraine, including in view of the recently established EU Ukraine Winter Task Force and the Ukraine Recovery Conference (URC 2026 to be held in Gdańsk, Poland on 24-26 June), as well as the political meeting of the European Alliance of Cities and Regions for the Reconstruction of Ukraine that could be held in the margins of the URC. We could also share this information with the G7+ Ukraine Energy Coordination Group of the [Ukraine Donor Platform](#) (UDP) in particular considering one of our objectives to establish a stronger dialogue with the UDP.

We would like to count on your continued commitment to help improve the lives of civilians in Ukraine, demonstrate solidarity in line with the European values and reinforce cooperation between the CoR and Ukraine on its path to sustainable recovery and towards EU accession.

Yours sincerely,



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President



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