War against Ukraine

Federal government action since the start of Russian military aggression on 24 February 2022

International cooperation
CHF 400 M

Humanitarian aid
as immediate assistance for those affected by the conflict in Ukraine and in neighbouring countries.
Winter Aid supports the urgent rehabilitation of Ukraine's energy infrastructure and basic supply systems. The aid is also directed at Moldova.

Development cooperation
The budget of the Swiss programme for international cooperation in Ukraine doubled in 2022 and 2023; the project has been adapted significantly to the current situation.

Peace and human rights
for peace and human rights-related projects, with a focus on accountability and protecting civilians.

Multilateral support
Support for organisations such as the World Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), which use their own funds to ensure that public service employees in Ukraine continue to be paid, or that SMEs become more competitive.
Investments in supporting tech start-ups are made via the Ukrainian HORIZON fund.

The 2023 Action Plan provides for measures in the areas of peacebuilding (e.g. demining), health (e.g. repairs hospitals), economic development (e.g. small loans for agricultural SMEs), sustainable cities (e.g. repair of schools) and multi-sectoral support (e.g. delivery of requested material).

Recovery process
CHF 6 M

Ukraine Recovery Conference in Lugano, involving 41 states and 18 international organisations: Switzerland and Ukraine initiate the political process of Ukraine's recovery on a broad basis. The Lugano Declaration sets out the framework. The Lugano Principles provide common benchmarks for the future.

Migration to Switzerland
CHF 1360 M

for accommodation, welfare benefits and health services, and free public transport for Ukrainian refugees in Switzerland.
In March 2022 Switzerland introduced protection status S for Ukrainian refugees to give them protection as well as access to the labour market and school education. More than 75,000 Ukrainian refugees have been granted status S.

Cantons, communes, private sector, NGOs and private individuals

Alongside federal government assistance, Switzerland's cantons, communes, private sector, NGOs, foundations and private individuals have made an enormous effort on behalf of people from and in Ukraine.
The Swiss National Science Foundation released CHF 9 million in funding for Ukrainian students.