

# Global conflicts and the E.U.

The EU has objectives that go **beyond its borders**, including promoting peace, security, sustainable development, solidarity, fair trade, poverty reduction, and human rights worldwide, while playing an **active role in conflict resolution and peace building**.

This is exercised through various policies, institutions and initiatives at different levels.

## EU's range of action



### Humanitarian

Sending food, medical supplies, and everything needed to protect human rights and integrity of the people in the zones affected.



The EU, including its member states' bilateral contributions, is **one of the world's largest humanitarian donors**, alongside the United States.



According to the Commission, the humanitarian efforts supported by the EU between 2015 and 2017 helped treat over 15,000 war casualties in Mosul (Iraq).

### Facing natural disasters

In addition to its internal Civil Protection Mechanism, the EU can also support populations in countries affected by natural disasters, particularly by helping key sectors.



In September 2017, after Hurricane Irma devastated the Caribbean, particularly Saint-Barthélemy and Saint-Martin, the EU allocated 2 million euros in humanitarian aid for the most affected people.

### Military action\*

Peacekeeping missions to protect civilians in the locations affected



Since the beginning of the Russian invasion (2022), the EU has provided Ukraine with economic, humanitarian and military support worth over 88 billion euros.

### Diplomatic aid\*

Facilitating dialogue, providing technical assistance, funding, and collaborating with international NGOs. Apply sanctions on people, entities and regimes perpetuating the conflicts.



**\*Diplomatic and defense matters have traditionally been the prerogatives of EU member states, but since the 1990s, the EU has gained increased competencies in these areas.**

## EU budget for global conflicts (2023)

€546  
million

Sub-Saharan Africa

€470  
million

Middle East  
and North Africa

€297  
million

Asia, Latin  
America, Pacific  
and the Caribbean

€115  
million

Ukraine,  
Western Balkans,  
and the Caucasus

€413  
million

Non-geographical  
allocations

**Total budget : €1.8 billion**