

# THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE PEOPLE OF BELARUS

#StandWithBelarus

Since the fraudulent presidential elections of August 2020, the European Union stands with the people of Belarus

### **SUPPORT**

EU assistance has been recalibrated away from Belarusian public authorities and state-owned enterprises and towards non-state actors.

So far, €170 million has been mobilised for civil society, human rights defenders, independent media, educational and cultural institutions, and small and medium sized businesses in exile.

### SOLIDARITY

Once Belarus embarks on a democratic transition, the EU will activate a €3 billion investment package to help Belarus stabilise its economy and reform its institutions.

## **SANCTIONS**

The EU has imposed **sanctions** against the Lukashenko regime in response to its continued repression, instrumentalisation of migrants and support for Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.



€170 million of support mobilised

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# **€170 MILLION** IN TARGETED SUPPORT FOR THE BELARUSIAN PEOPLE

The EU holds regular consultations with Belarusian democratic forces and civil society to identify the needs of the people of Belarus. This ongoing dialogue allows the EU to respond swiftly to the changing needs on the ground.



**3 000+ victims** of repression have received legal, monetary, medical, psychological and relocation support.

The International Accountability Platform for Belarus (IAPB) has received support to collect evidence of human rights violations committed by Belarusian authorities.



CIVIL SOCIETY

**Hundreds of civic activists** have received support to continue their work.

MEDIA

**Independent media** have received support to provide objective, fact-based information to citizens in cities and rural areas across the country.



130+ cultural professionals have received mobility support to forge new partnerships, participate in international cultural events and enhance their skills.

110+ grants for cultural projects awarded.



**3 300+ students** received scholarships and tuition support to study abroad.

700+ professionals benefitted from mobility support.3 000+ women followed online introductory IT and soft skills courses.



**500+ advisory services** have been provided to small and medium-sized businesses in exile. **4 000+ businesses in exile** have participated in business education programmes.

#### **European Commission:**

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