



Financing of project preparation studies

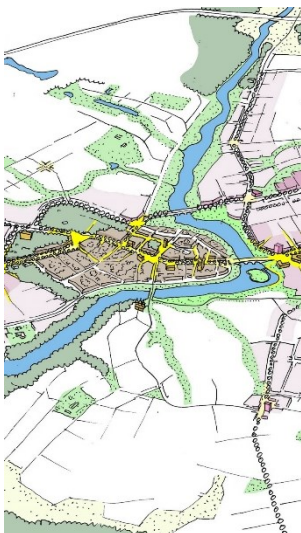
In light of the war in Ukraine, the Federal Council has decided in June 2024 that the Swiss private sector is to play a crucial role in Ukraine's reconstruction and recovery efforts over the next four years. The State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) developed six measures to increase the inclusion of the Swiss private sector. Financing of project preparation studies is one of these measures.

The main goal is to enable urban infrastructure projects in Ukraine through the inclusion of Swiss expertise (e.g., engineering or planning firms) and through co-financing.

Municipal Infrastructure Development Programme

The Municipal Infrastructure Development Programme, an initiative by SECO, is a Swiss project preparation facility designed to increase the quality and quantity of urban infrastructure projects for the reconstruction of Ukraine.

Project preparation studies, such as feasibility studies or environmental impact assessments, will be financed for selected infrastructure sectors. The objective is to support sectors in which Switzerland is already active through its international cooperation and can offer specific expertise. Project preparation efforts will also reflect Ukrainian needs. The priorities will therefore likely be on municipal energy efficiency, renewable energy, public transport, as well as urban water supply and wastewater treatment.



The Municipal Infrastructure Development Programme will also supply small goods or services (e.g., small equipment needed by a public utility) that can be implemented rapidly and have a demonstration effect. It will furthermore provide complementary funding to implement selected urban infrastructure projects for which the programme developed studies. Finally, the programme will support Swiss-Ukrainian business networks to enable the Swiss private sector to access the Ukrainian market as well as to promote partnerships and knowledge exchange.

Country
Ukraine

Duration
2025-2028

Private sector measure
Measure 1

Rebuilding Ukraine
According to the Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment conducted by the World Bank in February 2024, at least USD 486 billion is needed to rebuild Ukraine

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