GIZ in Ukraine

Rapid relief and long-term prospects



Ukraine has been defending itself since 2022 against Russia's full-scale war of aggression, which is devastating the country — but also testing Europe's peaceful order and security. Hospitals, schools and administrative buildings have been destroyed in many communities. Millions of Ukrainians have suffered physical injuries or have been left traumatised. The country's energy infrastructure is so badly damaged that many people are without electricity at times. The economy is also suffering — sales markets are collapsing, investors are staying away and urgently needed skilled workers have left the country or are fighting on the front line.

Ukraine needs reliable partners, investments and knowhow to keep up its resistance. The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH is providing comprehensive support on behalf of the German Government, the EU and other donors to promote efficient and sustainable reconstruction.

Our aim

- conditions in which Ukraine is strong, able to act autonomously once the war is over, and capable of offering good living conditions to the local population and those returning to the country;
- ... an efficient Ukrainian economy that creates jobs, attracts private investors and acts as a reliable trading partner for the EU;
- a reform-oriented Ukraine that meets EU standards and observes the principles of transparency and the rule of law.

Our achievements

Selected results since 2022*

Improved health services for

4.1 million people

and support for about

820 health facilities

e.g. through technical equipment or training for medical staff

Around 680 partnerships



brokered between companies in the EU and Ukraine

77,000 people, including

Cooperation with almost all Ukrainian municipalities and rapid relief for regions near the front line

more 1,400

Energy and heat supply through procured or donated goods for up



7.7 million people

Support for

80 Legislative

that promote EU accession

Training and advice for 18,000 companies

on topics such as export, financial management and adaptation to EU requirements Measures to rebuild the local basic infrastructure such as schools or hospitals benefiting



3 million people

*Data collected between February 2022 and July 2025

Our services



Many Ukrainians have suffered physical or emotional injuries as a result of the war.

We are helping to ensure that those affected receive medical support and psychosocial counselling to enable them to take part in society as best they can.



The power and heating supply is at risk due to the huge damage to the infrastructure.

We are helping to repair the damage to power and heating plants and expand renewable and decentralised energy sources. In addition, we are advising the Ukrainian Government on future-proof, EU-compliant energy systems, energy efficiency and climate neutrality.



A functioning economy attracts investors to the country and creates jobs.

We are stabilising Ukraine's economy by training skilled workers, promoting small and medium-sized enterprises and reducing trade barriers to the EU single market.



Strong municipalities guarantee good living conditions for the local population.

We are supporting communities in the sustainable reconstruction of destroyed infrastructure. In this context, we strengthen local accountability and promote the principles of transparency and the rule of law — so that assistance reaches the places where it is needed.



In all our activities, we focus on Ukraine's accession to the EU and help our Ukrainian partners meet the EU's requirements.

We support necessary reforms, for example on trade facilitation and the regulation of energy and climate action

Our unique selling points



Rapid relief and support long-term prospects



More than 30 years of experience in the country



A nationwide network – at national and municipal level



A strong team of international and Ukrainian experts in the country



Expertise in coordinating international partnerships



Cooperation arrangements with Ukrainian and international civil society actors, such as nongovernmental organisations (NGOs) and citizens' initiatives



Partnership initiatives with German municipalities, hospitals and operators



Experience gained from the EU accession processes oft her countries

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