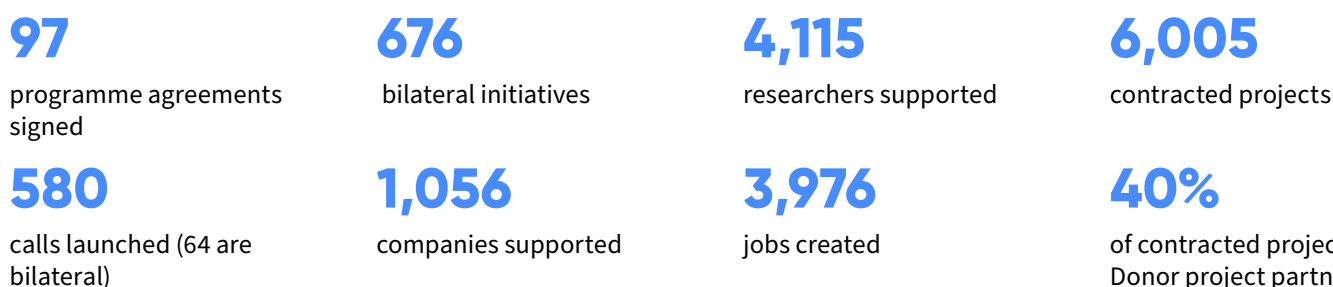


This report highlights Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway's contributions to a green, competitive and inclusive Europe in 2022.



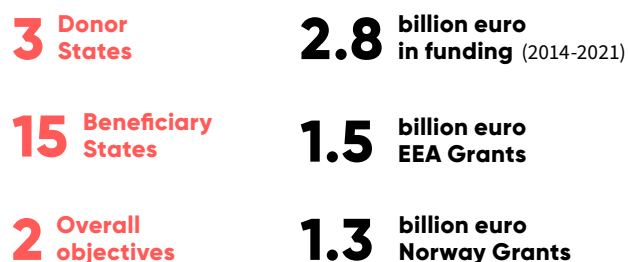
## PROGRAMME DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

The goal of the EEA and Norway Grants is to reduce social and economic disparities and strengthen cooperation between the Donor States and the Beneficiary States through the three pillars 1) Green 2) Competitive and 3) Inclusive. The figures presented below are cumulative and reflect activities spanning the 2014-2021 funding period until the end of 2022.



## The EEA and Norway Grants

The EEA and Norway Grants represent the contribution of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway to strengthen economic and social cohesion in the European Economic Area. The current funding period totals €2.8 billion and builds on the successes of previous funding periods.



Reducing disparities and strengthening cooperation in the EEA

Country	EEA Grants	Norway Grants	Total
Bulgaria	115.0	95.1	210.1
Croatia	56.8	46.6	103.4
Cyprus	6.4	5.1	11.5
Czech Republic	95.5	89.0	184.5
Estonia	32.3	35.7	68.0
Greece	116.7	—	116.7
Hungary <sup>1</sup>	108.9	105.7	214.7
Latvia	50.2	51.9	102.1
Lithuania	56.2	61.4	117.6
Malta	4.4	3.6	8.0
Poland	397.8	411.5	809.3
Portugal	102.7	—	102.7
Romania	275.2	227.3	502.5
Slovakia	54.9	58.2	113.1
Slovenia	19.9	17.8	37.7
Funds <sup>2</sup>	55.2	44.8	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 548.1<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>1 253.7</b>	<b>2 801.8</b>

All figures are in million €.

**1.** In 2021, the Donor States, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, did not reach an agreement with Hungary on the appointment of a Fund Operator to manage the funding for civil society. Consequently, no programmes will be implemented under the EEA and Norway Grants during the current funding period. **2.** Fund for Youth Employment and Fund for Regional Cooperation.

**3.** The EEA Grants are jointly financed by all three Donor States, where contributions are based on their GDP. Norway provides approximately 94.4%, Iceland 4.2% and Liechtenstein 1.3%.

## Areas of support (2014-2021)

All figures are in million €.

+ Innovation, Research, Education and Competitiveness	<b>€618.9 +</b>
+ Social Inclusion, Youth Employment and Poverty Reduction	<b>€382 +</b>
+ Environment, Energy, Climate Change and Low Carbon Economy	<b>€421.1 +</b>
+ Culture, Civil Society, Good Governance and Fundamental Rights and Freedoms	<b>€453.7 +</b>
+ Justice and Home Affairs	<b>€ 345.1 +</b>



Credits: www.eeagrants.gov.pt

Norway and Iceland help Portugal bring local solutions to global environmental challenges through their biosphere reserves

Find out more [here](#).

## Green Europe

Europe faces significant challenges from climate change, environmental degradation, and insufficient sustainable energy. The European Green Deal aims to make the EU the first climate-neutral continent by 2050, requiring systemic transformations and substantial investments. The EEA and Norway Grants fund projects that promote a greener Europe, ensuring compliance with EU environmental standards, fast-tracking clean energy technology, and promoting energy-efficient solutions.

<b>€421.1 million</b> Total funded for this area	<b>15</b> programmes	<b>672</b> projects	<b>3</b> programme areas	<b>12</b> Beneficiary States	<b>43%</b> of projects with donor project partner
Indicator				Target	Achievement
Energy produced from renewable energy sources (RES) (in MWh/year)				85,969	14,135
Estimated annual CO <sub>2</sub> emissions reductions				978,716	18,976
Installed capacity for production of renewable energy (in MW)				34	8

## Competitive Europe

Europe is accelerating its green transition amidst the COVID-19 pandemic recovery, the ongoing war in Ukraine, and new challenges like price increases and supply chain disruptions. The EEA and Norway Grants support private enterprises, research institutions, and higher education to foster sustainable growth and competitiveness. The Grants contribute to EU's sustainable growth goals by bridging funding gaps and building research and innovation capacity in the Beneficiary States.

<b>€830.9 million</b> Total funded for this area	<b>8</b> programme areas and <b>2</b> funds	<b>38</b> programmes	<b>14</b> Beneficiary States	<b>1,807</b> projects	<b>63%</b> of projects with donor project partner
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Indicator	Target	Achievement
Estimated annual CO <sub>2</sub> emissions reductions (in tonnes)	423,000	34,613
Number of jobs created	6,791	3,975
Number of new products/technologies developed	430	236
Number of researchers supported	2,279	4,115
Number of SMEs supported	1,124	919
Number of young people aged 15-29 completing vocational education or work-based learning	20,079	17,663



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Norwegian and Bulgarian companies are tearing down barriers for the visually impaired with digital innovation.

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**Unfrozen life:** making sense of the war in Ukraine through family and art in Lithuania.

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## Inclusive Europe

The Russian invasion of Ukraine in 2022 has significantly impacted lives and exacerbated existing inequalities in Europe, highlighting the need for a more inclusive society. The EEA and Norway Grants are committed to fostering inclusivity, with over €1 billion provided to projects in priority sectors such as social inclusion, culture, civil society, and justice. These initiatives build capacity and accountability of institutions and help empower vulnerable groups. Despite not being an emergency support mechanism, the Grants have quickly channelled €13 million to address the refugee crisis caused by the war, supporting civil society organisations in Beneficiary States.

<b>€1,061.3 million</b> Total funded for this area	<b>11</b> programme areas	<b>58</b> programmes	<b>14</b> Beneficiary States	<b>3,526</b> projects	<b>27%</b> of projects with donor project partner
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Indicator	Target	Achievement
Annual number of cases of domestic and gender-based violence officially reported	88,147	119,031
Number of national policies and laws influenced	411	428
Number of people reached by campaigns	22,602,520	52,869,079
Number of students educated in civic and human rights	25,270	15669
Number of unaccompanied asylum-seeking minors receiving services	3,650	2899
Number of vulnerable individuals reached by empowerment measures	39,830	264,992