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The European Exhibition Industry & COVID-19

- **Government support for the exhibition industry**
- **Government support for businesses in general**
- **Actions taken by the exhibition industry to support the COVID-19 crisis**

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This document lists support measures from the EU and national governments in Europe for businesses in general, and the exhibition industry in particular. It will continuously grow and cover all European countries of EMECA and UFI Members. We hope that by gathering together examples of financial and other support for the exhibition industry, it will encourage other governments and policymakers to do the same in their respective markets.

Exhibitions and trade shows are a fast-track to economic recovery once the coronavirus crisis has passed and will deliver the best return on investment now. We have also listed examples of how the exhibition industry offers support to communities in this crisis, such as converting exhibition halls to temporary emergency hospitals, and other initiatives.

More info at: <https://www.exhibition-alliance.eu/news> // www.ufi.org/coronavirus // <http://blog.ufi.org> // <http://emeca.eu/page/covid-19>

Key – **Exhibition industry only**
Wider business support
Sector Specific support (e.g. aviation, tourism, etc.)

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| EU | <p>Coronavirus Response Investment Initiative – €37 billion using unspent European Structural and Investments funds - 10.03.2020 – (link – English - Exact amounts per each country available here)</p> <p>Measures to support bank liquidity conditions and money market activity - 12.03.2020 (link - English)</p> <p>ECB Banking Supervision provides temporary capital and operational relief in reaction to coronavirus – 12.03.2020 (link - English)</p> | <p>EU Commission. Measures approved by the European Parliament on 26.03.2020 and confirmed by the EU council on 30.03.2020 (link – English)</p> <p>European Central Bank</p> <p>European Central Bank</p> | <p>EU Member States must activate and implement each of those schemes in their own country</p> | <p>Website on the Coronavirus Response summarising all initiatives in all fields. (English)</p> | <p>Ready to receive inputs from the Exhibition Industry on how to better support them</p> | <p>EEIA: Summary of the web conference – 17.03.2020 (link - English)</p> <p>EEIA Update document: Coronavirus outbreak – Impact on the European exhibition industry and economy in general Support to avoid bankruptcy and prepare for recovery – 25.03.2020 (link - English)</p> |

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| | <p>EIB Group will rapidly mobilise up to EUR 40 billion to fight crisis caused by Covid-19 and calls on Member States to set up a further guarantee for SME and mid-cap support from EIB Group and national promotional banks – 16.03.2020 (link - English)</p> <p>€750 billion Pandemic Emergency Purchase Programme (PEPP) – 18.03.2020 (link – English)</p> <p>State aids – temporary framework – 19.03.2020 (link – English)</p> <p>Escape clause to the Stability and Growth Pact – 20.03.2020 (link – English)</p> <p>Changes to the EU budget blueprint (Multiannual Financial Framework) to tackle coronavirus -</p> | <p>European Investment Bank</p> <p>European Central Bank</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | | | | <p>European Exhibition Industry Alliance releases documentation on economic measures taken by governments to support the exhibition industry to mitigate the COVID-19 crisis. (Link – English)</p> |

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| | <p>can be mobilised to the fullest. 02.04.2020 (Official Link here).</p> <p>EU Commission and European Investment Fund (part of EIB Group) unlock €8 billion in finance for 100,000 small and medium-sized businesses - 06.04.2020 (Official link here)</p> <p>The EU Commission is launching ESCALAR, a new investment approach, developed together with the European Investment Fund (EIF), that will support venture capital and growth financing for promising companies, enabling them to scale up in Europe and help reinforce Europe's economic and technological sovereignty – 08.04.2020 (Official link here)</p> | <p>EU Commission and EIB</p> <p>EU Commission and European Investment Fund (EIF)</p> | | | | |

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| | <p>Report on the comprehensive economic policy response to the COVID-19 pandemic – 09.04.2020 (Official link here)</p> <p>Council adopts amended EU budget for 2020 14.04.2020 (Official Link here)</p> <p>Conclusions of the President of the European Council following the video conference of the members of the European Council – 23.04.2020 (official link here)</p> | <p>EIB. EU Commission, ESM</p> <p>EU Council</p> <p>EU Council</p> | | | | |
| Albania | <p>EU Commission proposes €3 billion macro-financial assistance package to support ten neighbouring countries (22.04.2020)</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>The Commission's proposal is subject to adoption by the European Parliament and the Council of the EU</p> | <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | | |

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| Austria | EU Commission approves €15 billion Austrian liquidity scheme to support the economy in the coronavirus outbreak (09.04.2020) | Austrian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | Messe Wien (Vienna) adding 3,100 hospital beds to cope with hospital overflow | Messe Wien (English) |
| | EU Commission approves Austrian guarantee schemes to support SMEs affected by the coronavirus outbreak (17.04.2020) | Austrian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Belarus | | | | | | |
| Belgium | Different measures to support companies | Belgian Govt | | Belgian Government (French) | Brussels Expo suggested to the city of Brussels to use the venue as a temporary hospital in case there would be a shortage of beds for Covid 19 patients or for any other special requirement. | |
| | EU Commission approves guarantee scheme of up to €3 billion to support the Flemish economy in coronavirus outbreak (10.11.2020) | Belgian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | Commission approves Belgian guarantee scheme mobilising €50 billion support for companies affected by | Belgian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | <p>coronavirus outbreak (11.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves Belgian scheme deferring payment by Walloon airports of concession fees to mitigate economic impact of coronavirus outbreak (11.04.2020)</p> | Belgian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | EU Commission proposes €3 billion macro-financial assistance package to support ten neighbouring countries (22.04.2020) | EU Commission | The Commission's proposal is subject to adoption by the European Parliament and the Council of the EU | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Bulgaria | <p>EU Commission approves €255 million Bulgarian guarantee scheme to support SMEs in coronavirus outbreak (08.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €770 million Bulgarian employment aid scheme for preserving jobs in</p> | <p>Bulgarian Govt</p> <p>Bulgarian Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | | |

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| | <p>sectors most affected by the coronavirus outbreak (15.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves a €150 million Bulgarian scheme to support SMEs affected by coronavirus outbreak (23.04.2020)</p> | Bulgarian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Croatia | <p>Different measures to support companies</p> <p>EU Commission approves €790 million Croatian guarantee scheme for companies with export activities affected by coronavirus outbreak (06.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €1 billion Croatian schemes to support companies affected by coronavirus outbreak (09.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €4 million Croatian direct grant scheme to support</p> | <p>Croatian Govt</p> <p>Croatian Govt</p> <p>Croatian Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>Croatian Covid Website (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | <p>Sport & Event Arena (Zagreb) has been prepared as possible hospital location for 2nd tier patients in the case will be needed</p> | <p>Link</p> |

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| | fishery and aquaculture sector in coronavirus outbreak (17.04.2020) | | | | | |
| Cyprus | | | | | | |
| Czech Republic | EU Commission approves Czech scheme of up to €37 million to support investments in the production of coronavirus-relevant products | Czech Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Denmark | <p>EU Commission approves €12 million Danish scheme to compensate damages caused by cancellations of large public events due to COVID-19 outbreak (12.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves Danish guarantee scheme for SMEs affected by Coronavirus outbreak (21.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €1.3 billion Danish scheme to compensate self-employed for damages suffered due to</p> | <p>Danish Govt</p> <p>Danish Govt</p> <p>Danish Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>Danish Business Service (Danish)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | | |

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| | coronavirus outbreak (25.03.2020) | | | | | |
| | EU Commission approves €130 million Danish guarantee scheme for SMEs with export activities affected by coronavirus outbreak (30.03.2020) | Danish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €200 million Danish loan in support of the Travel Guarantee Fund for travel cancellations due to coronavirus outbreak (03.04.2020) | Danish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €5.4 billion Danish scheme to compensate companies particularly affected by the coronavirus outbreak (08.04.2020) | Danish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves Danish public guarantee of up to €137 million to compensate airline SAS | Danish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | for damage caused by coronavirus outbreak (15.04.2020) | | | | | |
| Estonia | EU Commission approves €1.75 billion Estonian schemes to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (30.03.2020) | Estonian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €75.5 million Estonian schemes in the form of direct grants and payment advantages to support companies in coronavirus outbreak (21.04.2020) | Estonian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Finland | EU Commission approves €2 billion Finnish public guarantee and subsidised loan scheme to support companies affected by the coronavirus outbreak (21.04.2020) | Finnish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| France | Different measures to support companies | French Govt | | French Govt (French) | Viparis (Paris) - A mobile screening centre will be located in the venue of Paris Expo Porte de Versailles | Link (French) |
| | EU Commission approves French schemes to support economy in Coronavirus outbreak | French Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | <p>(21.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €1.2 billion French “Fonds de solidarité” scheme for small enterprises in temporary financial difficulties due to coronavirus outbreak (30.03.2020)</p> <p>Commission approves French scheme deferring payment by airlines of certain taxes to mitigate economic impact of coronavirus outbreak (31.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €10 billion French guarantee scheme to support domestic credit insurance market in coronavirus outbreak (12.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves prolongation and modification of the French “Fonds de</p> | <p>French Govt</p> <p>French Govt</p> <p>French Govt</p> <p>French Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | <p>GL Events (Lyon) offered its venue as temporary hospital, storage or other use fitting the needs of the governments as-well-as our co-workers’ expertise in logistic and other useful domains.</p> | <p>Link (French)</p> |

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| | <p>solidarité” scheme for small enterprises in temporary financial difficulties due to coronavirus outbreak (15.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €7 billion French “umbrella” scheme to support the economy in the coronavirus outbreak (20.04.2020)</p> | French Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Germany | <p>Different measures to support companies</p> <p>EU Commission approves German measures to support economy in Coronavirus outbreak (22.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves German direct grant scheme to support companies affected by coronavirus outbreak (24.03.2020)</p> | <p>German Govt</p> <p>German Govt</p> <p>German Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>AUMA (German) German Government (German)</p> <p>EU commission (English)</p> <p>EU commission (English)</p> | <p>Koelnmesse (Cologne) to set up a distribution centre for medical supplies</p> <p>Deutsche Messe (Hannover) to set up an emergency corona hospital in one of the halls plus dedicate several other halls next to it will be used as storage or “backoffice” facilities.</p> <p>Messe Berlin to build 1,000 bed hospital</p> | Link (English) |

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| | EU Commission approves German guarantee measure to further support economy in coronavirus outbreak (24.03.2020) | German Govt | EU Commission | EU commission (English) | | |
| | Germany's parliament on Wednesday greenlit a massive fiscal stimulus package of some €750 billion combined, and agreed to allow the government to borrow more than €150 billion of fresh money this year. (25.03.2020) | German Govt | | News Paper article (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves extension of German scheme for subsidised loans to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (02.04.2020) | German Govt | EU Commission | EU commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves amendments to previously approved German schemes to further support economy | German Govt | EU Commission | EU commission (English) | | |

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| | <p>in coronavirus outbreak (11.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves German guarantee scheme to stabilise trade credit insurance market in coronavirus outbreak (14.04.2020)</p> | German Govt | EU Commission | EU commission (English) | | |
| Greece | <p>Different measures to support companies, more than 5 billion euro to Greek economy (businesses, employees, unemployed, fiscal relief etc) for March and April only</p> <p>EU Commission approves €2 billion Greek guarantee measure to support companies affected by the coronavirus outbreak (03.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €1 billion Greek scheme providing repayable advances to support the economy in the</p> | <p>Greek Govt</p> <p>Greek Govt</p> <p>Greek Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | <p>TIF-HELEXPO SA (Thessaloniki) set up 2 different blood donation centres in Thessaloniki, houses three mobile units for blood donations and primary medical care at its Athens premises, offered one pavilion in Thessaloniki for homeless people, offered specialised sanitary machinery to hospitals of seven major cities, offered to State its entire premises in Thessaloniki and Athens to be set up as an emergency corona hospital</p> | link |

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| | <p>coronavirus outbreak (07.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €1.2 billion Greek scheme providing grants for SMEs to support economy in coronavirus outbreak</p> | Greek Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Hungary | <p>EU Commission approves €140 million Hungarian scheme to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (08.02.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €1 billion Hungarian aid scheme to support companies affected by the coronavirus outbreak (17.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €88 million Hungarian aid scheme supporting researchers and developers in all sectors affected by coronavirus outbreak (17.04.2020)</p> | <p>Hungarian Govt</p> <p>Hungarian Govt</p> <p>Hungarian Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | | |
| Iceland | | | | | | |

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| Ireland | EU Commission approves €200 million Irish scheme to support the economy in the current coronavirus outbreak (31.03.2020) | Irish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €200 million Irish scheme to support companies affected by the coronavirus outbreak (21.04.2020) | Irish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Israel | | | | | | |
| Italy | Different measures to support companies | Italian Govt | | Italian Government (Italian) | Fiera Milano (Milan) 25.000 sqm converted into a temporary hospital with about 250 intensive care beds. | link , link2 and official website (Italian) |
| | EU Commission approves €50 million Italian support scheme for production and supply of medical equipment and masks during Coronavirus outbreak (22.03.2020) | Italian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | Fiera Bergamo (Bergamo) adding 300 hospital beds | link (Italian) |
| | EU Commission approves Italian State guarantee scheme to support SMEs affected by coronavirus outbreak | Italian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | VeronaFiere (Verona) donate €50,000 to emergency services appeal | Link (Italian) |

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| | (25.03.2020) EU Commission approves Italian guarantee scheme to support self-employed workers, SMEs and mid-caps affected by coronavirus outbreak (14.04.2020) | Italian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves Italian guarantee scheme to support the economy in coronavirus outbreak (14.04.2020) | Italian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €100 million Italian guarantee scheme to support SMEs in the agriculture, forestry, fishery and aquaculture sectors affected by the coronavirus outbreak (21.04.2020) | Italian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €50 million Italian subsidised loans scheme to support agriculture, forestry and fishery | Italian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | sectors affected by coronavirus outbreak in Friuli Venezia Giulia region (21.04.2020) | | | | | |
| Latvia | EU Commission approves state support for €250 million Latvian subsidised loan scheme and loan guarantee scheme for companies affected by coronavirus outbreak (23.03.200) | Latvian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €35.5 million Latvian direct grant scheme to support agriculture, fishery, food and school catering sectors in coronavirus outbreak (16.04.2020) | Latvian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Lithuania | EU Commission approves €110 million Lithuanian guarantee scheme to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (08.04.2020) | Lithuanian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €150 million Lithuanian schemes to support | Lithuanian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | economy in coronavirus outbreak | | | | | |
| Luxembourg | EU Commission approves €300 million Luxembourg scheme to support companies affected by coronavirus outbreak (24.03.2020) | Luxembourg Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves Luxembourg guarantee measure to further support economy in coronavirus outbreak (27.03.2020) | Luxembourg Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €30 million Luxembourg scheme to support research and development and investments in the production of coronavirus relevant products (08.04.2020) | Luxembourg Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Macedonia | EU Commission proposes €3 billion macro-financial assistance package to support ten neighbouring countries (22.04.2020) | EU Commission | The Commission's proposal is subject to adoption by | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | | | the European Parliament and the Council of the EU | | | |
| Malta | <p>EU Commission approves €350 million Maltese guarantee scheme to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (02.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €5.3 million Maltese scheme to support research and development related to coronavirus outbreak (22.04.2020)</p> | <p>Maltese Govt</p> <p>Maltese Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | | |
| Moldova | EU Commission proposes €3 billion macro-financial assistance package to support ten neighbouring countries (22.04.2020) | EU Commission | The Commission's proposal is subject to adoption by the European Parliament and the Council of the EU | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Monaco | | | | | | |

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| Montenegro | EU Commission proposes €3 billion macro-financial assistance package to support ten neighbouring countries (22.04.2020) | EU Commission | The Commission's proposal is subject to adoption by the European Parliament and the Council of the EU | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Netherlands | Different measures to support companies EU Commission approves €23 million Dutch scheme to support the economy in the current coronavirus outbreak (03.04.2020) Commission approves Dutch guarantee scheme of up to €10 billion to support the economy in context of coronavirus outbreak (22.04.2020) | Dutch Govt Dutch Govt Dutch Govt | EU Commission EU Commission | Dutch Government (English) EU Commission (English) EU Commission (English) | Easyfairs offered their 10 exhibition venues in Belgium, Netherlands and Sweden to the relevant authorities | |
| Norway | | | | | | |
| Poland | Different measures to support companies Special programme announced by the | Polish Government Polish Development fund | Polish Government | Polish newspaper (English) Polish development Fund | PTAK Warsaw Expo (Warsaw) offered all venue (150,000 sqm) for use as field hospital | |

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| | <p>government for micro, small, medium and big companies to improve liquidity. The whole amount of the funds will be 100 billion PLN</p> <p>EU Commission approves Polish scheme enabling public guarantees up to €22 billion to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (03.04.2020)</p> <p>Commission approves €700 million Polish loan and guarantee scheme to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (08.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €115 million Polish scheme to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (10.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €110 million Polish loan and guarantee scheme to</p> | <p>Polish Government</p> <p>Polish Government</p> <p>Polish Government</p> <p>Polish Government</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>(Polish)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | <p>Grupa MTP (Poznan) transported protective masks and protective suits to the isolation hospital in Poznań; they expressed their readiness to provide hospitals with catering and fresh water</p> | |

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| | <p>support the economy in coronavirus outbreak (22.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €7.8 billion Polish schemes to support companies affected by the coronavirus outbreak (23.04.2020)</p> | Polish Government | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Portugal | <p>EU Commission approves €3 billion Portuguese guarantee schemes for SMEs and midcaps affected by Coronavirus outbreak (22.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €13 billion Portuguese schemes to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (04.04.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves €20 million Portuguese credit line scheme to support fishery and aquaculture sector in coronavirus outbreak (08.04.2020)</p> | <p>Portuguese Govt</p> <p>Portuguese Govt</p> <p>Portuguese Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>Portugal government (Portuguese)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | | Link (English) |

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| | EU Commission approves €140 million Portuguese scheme to support investment in research, development, testing and production of coronavirus relevant products | Portuguese Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Romania | EU Commission approves €3.3 billion Romanian scheme to support SMEs in coronavirus outbreak | Rumanian Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| Russia | Different measures to support companies | Russian Government | | Newspaper (English) | | |
| Serbia | Different measures to support companies | Serbian Government | | More information Link 1 and Link 2 (English) | <p>Belgrade Fair (Belgrade) Hall 1 at the Belgrade Fair complex was taken over by the government as cases of COVID-19 rose across the country. Around 3,000 beds were moved into a fair hall that become a provisional hospital facility.</p> <p>Novi Sad Fair (Novi Sad) added around 1.000 hospital beds.</p> | Link (English) |
| Slovakia | EU Commission approves €2 billion Slovak employment aid scheme | Slovak Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | to preserve jobs and support the self-employed during the coronavirus outbreak (21.04.2020) | | | | | |
| Slovenia | | | | | | |
| Spain | <p>Different measures to support companies</p> <p>EU Commission approves €20 billion Spanish guarantee schemes for companies and self-employed affected by coronavirus outbreak (24.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves Spanish “umbrella” scheme to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (02.03.2020)</p> | <p>Spanish Govt</p> <p>Spanish Govt</p> <p>Spanish Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>Local Newspaper (English)</p> <p>Spanish Govt (Spanish)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | <p>Fira Barcelona (Barcelona) giving one pavilion to host homeless people, setting up a temporary hospital with a capacity of 300 places and expandable to 2.000. Using kitchen facilities to prepare meals for hospitals and nursing homes and gives 2 tonnes of food to supply kitchens.</p> <p>IFEMA (Madrid) adding 3.000 hospital beds, hosting homeless people and allowing the use of the kitchen facilities. 85.000m2 used as a whole.</p> <p>Feria Valencia (Valencia) will host 800 “fallas”, gigantic cardboard monuments considered a</p> | <p>Link (Spanish)</p> <p>Link (English)</p> <p>Link, 2, 3, video (Spanish)</p> <p>Link (Spanish)</p> |

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| | | | | | World Heritage Site by UNESCO, in their pavilions | |
| Sweden | EU Commission approves a €9.1 billion Swedish guarantee scheme to support economy in coronavirus outbreak (02.04.2020) | Swedish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | Easyfairs offered their 10 exhibition venues in Belgium, Netherlands and Sweden to the relevant authorities | |
| | EU Commission approves €455 million Swedish guarantee scheme to support airlines affected by coronavirus outbreak (11.04.2020) | Swedish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | EU Commission approves €453 million Swedish rent rebate scheme to support sectors affected by coronavirus outbreak (15.04.2020) | Swedish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |
| | Commission approves €38 million Swedish scheme to compensate damages caused by cancelled or postponed cultural events due to coronavirus outbreak | Swedish Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

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| | (22.04.2020) | | | | | |
| Switzerland | <p>Different measures to support companies</p> <p>4.5 million CHF for SMEs in trade fairs and events industry (25.03.2020)</p> | <p>Swiss Government</p> <p>Swiss Government</p> | | <p>Swiss Government (DE, FR, IT)</p> <p>Switzerland Global Enterprise (DE, FR, IT)</p> | <p>Palexpo (Geneva) allows the use of the kitchen and staff to support the hospitals. A hall is used by the army for storing material and for a dormitory for about 500 people.</p> | |
| Turkey | <p>Different measures to support companies</p> <p>About Govt support: a) all the venue's which are owned by the government/municipality, have decided to "freeze" the rental price until 2022. b) furthermore, all the lessee's of these venues, which had to postpone their fair, will get a new date with the same conditions. c) the government is giving financial support to all organizing (small) companies, including fair organizers. The amount of this support will be</p> | <p>Turkish Govt</p> <p>Turkish Govt</p> | | <p>Turkish Government (Turkish)</p> <p>Turkish chamber of commerce (Turkish)</p> <p>İŞKUR General Directorate, which is affiliated to the Ministry of Family, Labor and Social Services (English)</p> | | |

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| | depending on the losses of the company. d) all the (trade) fairs will be postponed at least until July. | | | | | |
| Ukraine | EU Commission proposes €3 billion macro-financial assistance package to support ten neighbouring countries (22.04.2020) | EU Commission | The Commission's proposal is subject to adoption by the European Parliament and the Council of the EU | EU Commission (English) | | |
| UK* | <p>Ongoing petition from events industry for specific govt support</p> <p>Govt support for businesses: VAT exemption, covering 80% of redundant workers' salaries (up to £2,800). However, no support for freelancers/self-employed</p> <p>EU Commission approves UK schemes to support SMEs affected by</p> | <p>Industry Supplier</p> <p>UK Govt</p> <p>UK Govt</p> | <p>EU Commission</p> | <p>Petition.org (English)</p> <p>EU Commission (English)</p> | <p>Excel London (London) "Operation Nightingale" to become a temporary NHS Hospital. Initially 500 beds with scope to increase to 4000.</p> <p>NEC (Birmingham) planning and building a field hospital for up to 5,000 beds</p> | <p>Link (English)</p> <p>BBC Link (English)</p> |

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| | <p>coronavirus outbreak (25.03.2020)</p> <p>EU Commission approves £50 billion UK “umbrella” scheme to support the economy in the coronavirus outbreak (06.04.2020)</p> | UK Govt | EU Commission | EU Commission (English) | | |

*According to the UK Withdrawal Agreement, during the transition period, the entire body of EU law continues to apply to, and in, the UK as if it were a Member State. This includes all EU rules relating to State aid.