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Comprehensive **overview of national measures** by country (14 April 2020)  
[https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/policy-measures-taken-against-spread-and-impact-coronavirus\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/policy-measures-taken-against-spread-and-impact-coronavirus_en)

The 9 April Finance Ministers meeting in Eurogroup agreed on a **€540 billion rescue plan** to deal with the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic.

A credit line of €240 billion will be available to all Member States through the European Stability Mechanism (ESM) for health expenditure.

The European Investment Bank (EIB) will provide up to €200 billion in liquidity guarantees for businesses. (<https://www.eib.org/en/about/initiatives/covid-19-response/index.htm>)

The Commission will guarantee up to €100 billion for national temporary unemployment schemes (SURE).

<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2020/04/09/report-on-the-comprehensive-economic-policy-response-to-the-covid-19-pandemic/>

'**Team Europe**' package: targeted EU response to support partner countries' efforts in tackling the coronavirus pandemic. It combines resources from the EU, its Member States and financial institutions, in particular the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

[https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip\\_20\\_604](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_604)

On 14 April, the Council adopted **two proposals amending the 2020 EU budget** to free up funds in response to the COVID-19 crisis.

<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2020/04/14/tackling-covid-19-council-adopts-amended-eu-budget-for-2020/>

On 15 April, the Commission, in cooperation with the President of the European Council, put forward a **European roadmap to phase-out the containment measures** due to the coronavirus outbreak

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/european-roadmap-lifting-coronavirus-containment-measures\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/european-roadmap-lifting-coronavirus-containment-measures_en)



**Redirection** of existing **development aid resources** in response to the coronavirus pandemic: effects on service contracts?

The **EFCA** European External Aid Committee is collecting information on projects that are cancelled.

**DG DEVCO** response to the **EFCA** and FEACO call for all procedures to be made digital: guidance is being developed to continue to operate under the exceptional conditions created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Once the guidance has been consolidated, DG DEVCO intends to publish it on its website for external stakeholders (<https://www.efcanet.org/news>).

Board of Directors' **brainstorming** session on further EFCA support to the members and the European industry (14 April 2020).

The second **EFCA corona survey** will ask for lessons learnt in the countries that gradually ease restrictions and open businesses to facilitate more rapid recovery.

Ongoing **focus** of federation and national association actions: strong call for the continuation and new tendering of projects, and for a simplified and shortened procurement process.

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**OAI** (Luxembourg) establishes a Think Tank and invites proposals for action and recommendations to prepare for post-COVID-19

<https://www.oai.lu/fr/24/accueil/actualite-agenda/actualite/0-mode-news-id-2207/?CC=OK>

**OAI** conducts a monthly survey on the coronavirus and its impacts on the business

<https://www.oai.lu/fr/24/accueil/actualite-agenda/actualite/0-mode-news-id-2249/>

**TECNIBERIA** (Spain) created a Coronavirus Information page on its website to inform the industry and member firms on what the Association is doing to respond to COVID-19 and to signpost useful sources of information and assistance. (<https://tecniberia.es/coronavirus/>). A daily newsletter, informing about the measures adopted by the Spanish government and measures to alleviate the sector is issued. In addition, **TECNIBERIA** is organizing a series of webinars to address key topics which are considered appropriate and helpful to the Spanish engineering industry (fiscal, labour, remote work, contracts, etc.) <https://tecniberia.es/webinars-celebrados/>

The **EIC** website is presenting information on the impact of COVID-19 on construction <https://www.eic-federation.eu/covid-19-and-global-construction>

**EBRD** countries: economic reports and national crisis response measures

<https://www.ebrd.com/what-we-do/coronavirus/coronavirus-policy-response>

The **Market Watch Bulletin** for construction provides a snapshot of the impact and responses to the Pandemic across 22 different countries

<https://globalambition.ie/industry-bulletin-construction/>

**Enterprise Ireland** developed a guide to help mitigate against some of the challenges and risks

EI [Business Response](#) to Covid-19

<https://enterprise-ireland.com/en/About-Us/Services/Covid-19/Supports/>

COVID-19 research and insights from **Goldman Sachs**

[https://www.goldmansachs.com/insights/topics/covid-19.html?cid=eml-pd-politico-covidnewsletter20-textlink-20204-nl-1--weds-&utm\\_source=POLITICO.EU&utm\\_campaign=a7346126b1-](https://www.goldmansachs.com/insights/topics/covid-19.html?cid=eml-pd-politico-covidnewsletter20-textlink-20204-nl-1--weds-&utm_source=POLITICO.EU&utm_campaign=a7346126b1-)

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