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Quick Facts

Countries	Croatia
Specific Location	Petrinja
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	Government of Croatia
Sectors	Construction, Humanitarian Response, Technical Cooperation

Project Description

Following the 2020 series of earthquakes, Sisak-Moslavina County declared a state of emergency in seven towns and twelve municipalities; the County was later declared in a state of disaster. The County is known to be one of the most seismically active regions in Croatia, having previously suffered extensive damage during the 1909 Kupa Valley earthquake. The City of Petrinja, located roughly 6km west-southwest of the epicentre, suffered material damage to residential and public buildings, as well as to hospitals, cultural monuments, and community areas. Significant damage was reported in the City's historical urban centre. As per the latest data in August 2022, over 9,500 houses and buildings in Sisak-Moslavina County were reported as damaged while 600 constructions were demolished, while 3,222 family houses have been reconstructed so far.

The earthquakes have severely damaged the area's infrastructure and economy, as well as inhibiting daily activities and leaving many displaced. The area is responding to a two-part crisis, namely the coronavirus crisis and earthquake aftermath. This response will now have to deal with the still unknown consequences of the evolving military conflict in Ukraine and the resulting influx of refugees in the region presently. Over 20,000 Ukrainians have already reached Croatia, with more expected to arrive. The Project will therefore also be a chance for Petrinja to recognize and embrace the opportunities that could emerge as a result of the integration of refugees in the affected area. Petrinja's historically strong meat-production industry was destroyed in the aftermath of the Homeland war of the 1990s. However, Ukraine's robust meat-processing industries (as well as construction industries and food industries at large) could offer many opportunities for re-establishing the industrial sector in Petrinja.

Investment Description

- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

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