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IN RESPONSE TO THE SYRIA CRISIS



DONORS PLEDGE \$3.6 BILLION TOWARD SYRIA CRISIS RESPONSE PLANS



Representatives of 78 States came together in Kuwait City on 31 March 2015 to pledge their help in responding to the Syria crisis. UN Photo/Evan Schneider

On 31 March, the Third International Humanitarian Pledging Conference in Response to the Syria Crisis (Kuwait III) mobilized commitments of more than USD 3.6 billion in support of the Syria Strategic Response Plan (SRP) and Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan (3RP). The Conference was hosted for the third year in a row by the Amir of Kuwait, His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.

The generous donor support comes as the security, humanitarian and development situation inside Syria continues its downward spiral. It is a significant show of support and solidarity with Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey, which are now hosting more than 3.9 million Syrian refugees between them.

Some 600,000 refugees are out of school, 2.4 million are in need of food assistance, and 1.4 million very vulnerable people need cash assistance to meet their most basic needs. Meanwhile, essential services such as health, education and sanitation in these host countries are at a breaking point.

In light of this situation, the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr Ban Ki-Moon, used his opening address to encourage donors to continue channeling funds that link development and humanitarian assistance.

The 3RP was developed as a platform to facilitate just such linkages by integrating humanitarian and development priorities into a single response.

UN High Commissioner for Refugees Mr António Guterres reinforced the need for such a new approach. "After four years of conflict, we are at a tipping point," he said. "It is clear that the world's response to the crisis in Syria cannot be business as usual. The situation is becoming unsustainable."

Ms Helen Clark, Administrator of UNDP, presented in her speech how the Syria crisis combines humanitarian and development challenges, defies conventional conflict resolution and development approaches, and challenges standard aid responses and co-ordination mechanisms. "This 'integration,'

however, will not succeed if donors do not follow the same shift," she emphasized.

These calls for investment into long-term development solutions and resilience-building in addition to life-saving humanitarian assistance were reiterated in the statements of several Member States.

The Conference is therefore a positive step in confirming the international community's understanding of the Syria situation as both a humanitarian and development crisis - with implications on what constitutes an adequate response both inside and outside of Syria.

While the USD 3.6 billion pledged amounts to 43 per cent of the USD 8.4 billion required under the 3RP and SRP, it is a significant increase on the USD 2.4 billion pledged at the corresponding conference in 2014.

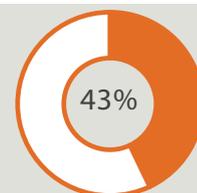
Fundraising against the plans will continue throughout 2015.

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Regional Refugee & Resilience plan (3RP):
\$5.5 billion

Syria Response Plan (SRP):
\$2.9 billion

Total Required
\$8.4 billion



Total Pledged
\$3.6 billion

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The overall increase in pledges compared to 2014 represents a strong show of solidarity by donors toward the people Syria, Syrian refugees, and the communities and countries which are so generously hosting them.

It is also a strong show of support for the 3RP strategy, which called for an expanded pool of funding - including strategic, flexible, multi-year funding from development actors - to allow greater investment in the resilience of individuals, communities and States to cope and recover from the crisis, thus helping on the transition to a longer-term, more sustainable response.

The generous commitments made by the countries and organizations listed below are gratefully acknowledged.

				
Australia 15,209,125	Austria 2,120,891	Belgium 11,134,677	Brazil 5,000,000	Bulgaria 106,045
				
Canada 43,402,778	Czech Republic 4,241,782	Denmark 35,531,552	Estonia 318,134	European Union 1,060,445,387*
				
Finland 15,906,681	France 21,208,908	Germany 270,413,574*	India 2,000,000	Ireland 12,725,345
				
Italy 19,088,017	Japan 138,700,000	Republic of Korea 10,000,000	Kuwait 500,000,000	Latvia 53,022
				
Lithuania 42,418	Luxembourg 5,832,450	Malta 26,511	Netherlands 34,994,698	New Zealand 723,589
				
Norway 93,000,000	Oman 17,000,000	Poland 540,979	Romania 137,858	Saudi Arabia 60,000,000
				
Slovakia 31,813	Slovenia 63,627	Spain 5,302,227	Sweden 40,702,407	Switzerland 49,800,797
				
United Arab Emirates 100,000,000	United Kingdom 150,000,000	United States of America 507,000,000	NGO Consortia 372,000,000	

*Two-year pledge, 2015-16

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