



COVID-19: European Solidarity in action

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Across the European Union, countries, regions and cities are stretching out a helping hand to neighbours, helping those most in need. This is European solidarity in action.

Snapshots of European Solidarity



France has donated 1 million masks to Italy and Germany has donated 7 tons of masks and other protective equipment, helping save lives.



Tens of thousands of European citizens have been repatriated from abroad, with most flights being intra-European.



European solidarity in treating patients

Germany



Cities and states across Germany are treating critically ill patients from **Italy and France**, making their own intensive care beds available for Italian and French citizens.

Cases from **Italy** are offered treatment in Saxony, Brandenburg, Berlin, Bavaria, Hessen, North Rhine-Westphalia and Lower Saxony.

The German Foreign Ministry confirmed a total of 73 intensive care beds for Italian patients.

Examples: In the city of Leipzig two patients from Bergamo, northern **Italy**, have arrived. Hessen is taking 10 patients from its partner region Emilia-Romagna.

Intensive care patients from **France** are being treated in the states of North Rhine-Westphalia, Rhineland-Palatinate, Hessen and Saarland.

Luxembourg



Seven French intensive care patients from Mulhouse, **France**, have been airlifted and are being treated in Luxembourg.

Greece



500 mobile medical units co-financed by the **EU** will soon be operational and be able to test citizens at their homes.

Austria



South Tyrol (Italy) has provided personal protective equipment to Tyrol (Austria), whereas Tyrol is providing hospital beds for patients from **South Tyrol**.

European solidarity in protecting health workers and citizens

France



France has donated 1 million masks to **Italy** and 20,000 protective suits.

Germany



Germany is expected to send one million face masks to Italy still this week. It has already donated personal protective equipment to Switzerland, **Austria** (8 million gloves) **Romania** (100,000 masks) **and Sweden** (60,000 masks).

Germany has delivered 300 ventilators to **Italy**.

Austria



Austria transported 1.5 million masks to **Italy**.

Czechia



Czechia offers 10,000 protective suits to **Italy** and another 10,000 to **Spain**.

European solidarity in bringing people home

EU




 Since the beginning of the outbreak, on board of 25 repatriation flights facilitated and co-financed by the EU Civil Protection Mechanism, over **4,020 stranded EU citizens have been brought home** so far. 30% of passengers repatriated were European citizens from a different nationality than the country organising the repatriation flight.

Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Luxembourg and Czechia, but also the UK, repatriated more than 1,150 EU citizens from different Member States. More than 100 flights organised by 12 countries are currently planned in the coming days and seats are made available to other EU and UK nationals.


France



 France repatriated citizens of 22 EU countries. A flight from Wuhan, China, in early February carried 64 French citizens and 135 other EU citizens.


Belgium



 Belgium repatriated citizens of 14 EU countries.

Luxembourg



 Luxembourg repatriated citizens of 9 EU countries. A flight from Cabo Verde on 25 March carried just 20 Luxembourgish citizens and 131 other EU citizens.


Germany



 Germany repatriated citizens of 8 EU countries.

Czechia



 Czechia has already organized 10 flights; one from Vietnam, under the EU Civil Protection Mechanism, carried 193 Czechs and 85 EU citizens safely to their homes.

Austria



 Austria repatriated citizens of 10 Member States from Marrakesh, Morocco.

Latvia



Latvia repatriated citizens of 5 Member States.

Italy



Italy repatriated citizens of 6 Member States from Tokyo, Japan.

Slovakia



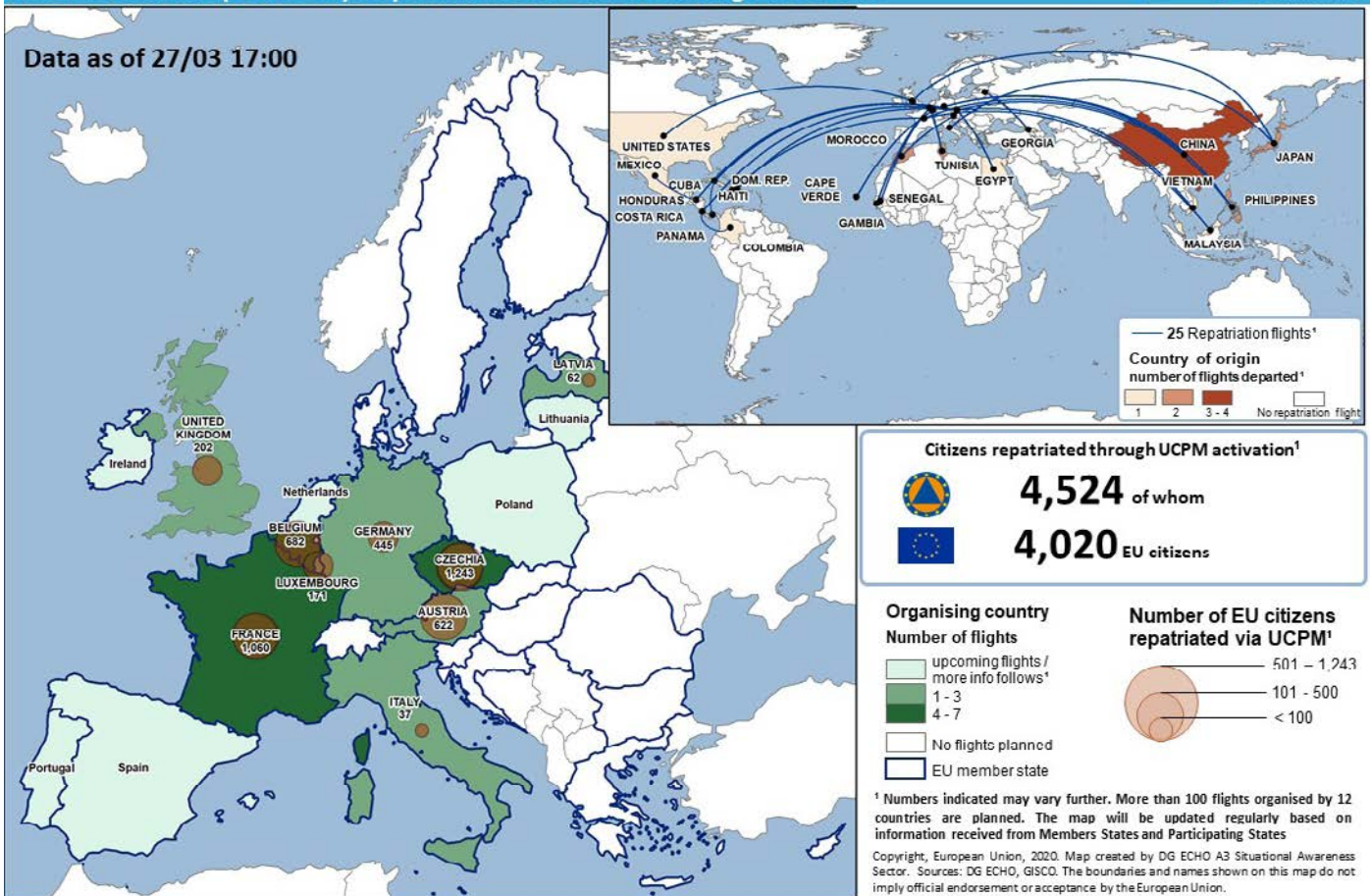
Slovakia arranged for a flight from the US repatriating 300 EU citizens from 4 Member States. Six other flights are already planned.

Germany



Support to 600 Estonians, Latvians and Lithuanians to return home by ferry.

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