# THE RESILIENCE AND GROWTH PLAN FOR **ARMENIA**

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In December 2025, the EU and Armenia adopted a new ambitious **Strategic Agenda for the EU-Armenia Partnership**, underpinned by a **€270 million Resilience and Growth Plan** for the period 2024-2027.



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The Plan supports Armenia's **socioeconomic resilience and investments in business** and **connectivity** (energy, transport, digital) through three priorities:

**Investing in connectivity and business**

**Bringing Armenia closer to the EU**

**Fostering a resilient and inclusive Armenian society**

**€200 million** in grant assistance to support a socio-economic reform agenda and closer sectoral cooperation with the EU

**€70 million** in investment grants

# THE RESILIENCE AND GROWTH PLAN IN 2024

In 2024, following President von der Leyen, an initial **€67.5 million** of the Resilience and Growth Plan was mobilised.

- An immediate priority of the Plan was to reinforce **support for Karabakh Armenians** through €40 million in direct budget support, contributing to the implementation of **socio-economic inclusion programmes**.

**direct budget support**
**€40 million**

These socioeconomic inclusion programmes include facilitating general education, providing partial tuition subsidies; ensuring access to primary healthcare services; enrolling pension-age Karabakh Armenians in the national pension scheme; and addressing housing and employment needs.

- Secondly, the EU continued to support the implementation of the **EU–Armenia Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreement (CEPA)**, advancing Armenia's broader reform agenda and its closer alignment with the EU. This support covers a range of cooperation areas, including the **green transition, education, the rule of law, and trade**.

- In addition, large and medium scale **investments** were made, supporting for instance the **Caucasus Transmission Network or water and irrigation infrastructure**, notably in the Syunik region.

- **Civil society** in Armenia has been supported through bilateral and regional actions aimed to **strengthen democracy, human rights, and social inclusion**. These efforts also promote civic engagement in policy and decision-making processes.

**FIRST INSTALMENT**

**GREEN TRANSITION**
EU support strengthens Armenia's capacity to implement CEPA commitments on **water management**, the **circular economy**, and **air quality monitoring**. It also improves **wastewater management** around Lake Sevan and supports **biodiversity conservation** and **agricultural resilience** through sustainable soil management practices.

**BUSINESS**
Through **EU4Business**, we are strengthening the country's **competition policy** and improving the business environment through key reforms. This supports entrepreneurship and more sustainable economic growth. EU support is also boosting export capacity in sectors such as agribusiness and apparel, while helping to create better livelihoods, decent jobs, and broader economic opportunities.

**VISA LIBERALISATION DIALOGUE**
EU support for the implementation of the **Visa Liberalisation Action Plan** is provided through strengthening the institutional setup and policy framework, as well as through additional assistance aimed at improving service delivery in the Police and Rescue Services.

**TRADE**
EU support in this sector focuses on **SME development, institutional strengthening, and the fish farming sector.** Following Armenia's recent eligibility to export aquaculture products to the EU, assistance is also provided to help fish farms comply with international standards.

**CULTURE:**
**EU4Culture** promoted **local creative ecosystems** and strengthened collaboration within Armenia's cultural and creative sectors. It has aimed to reinforce culture as a driver of economic growth and social resilience, while also fostering international partnerships, knowledge exchange, and integration into European cultural networks.

# THE RESILIENCE AND GROWTH PLAN IN 2025-2027

In September 2025, during Commissioner Kos' visit to Armenia, **€202.5 million** of the Resilience and Growth Plan was announced for 2025-2027, with a focus on:

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| Accelerating priority **sectoral reforms,** including those under the Visa Liberalisation Dialogue | Rolling out the **investment agenda** to bring Armenia closer to the EU and foster **regional connectivity** | Continuing to support **civil society** and **independent media** |

**€90 million**
**in multi-sector budget support** driving reforms that advance trade diversification, visa liberalisation, the rule of law, jobs, skills and social inclusion.

**€53 million**
**in technical assistance** to support the implementation of priority reforms, including energy and transport



**€50.5 million**
**in investments** in connectivity and socioeconomic resilience

**€9.6 million**
**in civil society** support to promote citizen participation in social and political life

A **High-Level Policy Dialogue** to coordinate the implementation of the multi-sector budget support and monitor progress of the reform targets was launched in September 2025.

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