

INTESA SANPAOLO: FOCUS AND TYPE OF INITIATIVES SUPPORTED BY BANK'S DONATION TOWARDS THE UKRAINIAN EMERGENCY IDENTIFIED

- **Twelve non-profit organisations named recipients of the €10 million**
- **Emergency initiatives: healthcare, housing, economic and psychological assistance; support for refugees**
- **60% of initiatives in Ukraine and neighbouring countries; 40% in Italy**

Turin/Milan 2 September 2022 – Twelve organisations are the beneficiaries of the €10 million donation that Intesa Sanpaolo has earmarked for initiatives to combat the Ukraine emergency. The organisations are working to support the affected population, on location and in Italy, through humanitarian protection projects, accommodation, direct economic support, health and psychological assistance, distribution of basic necessities and integration of refugees.

In particular, €4.15 million was donated to **UNHCR - The UN Refugee Agency**, which carried out immediate initiatives in the affected territories and neighbouring countries, such as the supply of essential goods – food, emergency shelter, blankets and hygiene products – and direct economic assistance to people to meet basic expenses. Of this, €3 million was donated directly by the bank, to which €1.15 million was added as Intesa Sanpaolo's doubling of the amount raised from the public on its ForFunding platform. The total amount of the **donation** received by UNHCR thus came to **€5.3 million**.

Apart from UNHCR and **FEBA - European Food Banks Federation**, which will continue to guarantee the supply of food to the Ukrainian Food Bank until March 2023, all beneficiary organisations are Italian non-profits. Sixty percent of the amount went to initiatives in Ukraine and neighbouring countries and forty percent to programmes in Italy. The other beneficiaries are:

- **Caritas Italiana**, through the project A.P.R.I. Accogliere Promuovere Proteggere Integrare i Profughi Ucraini in Italia (Welcome, Promote, Protect, Integrate Ukrainian Refugees in Italy), to support diocese Caritas chapters in welcoming refugees throughout Italy, with services ranging from initial reception to integration in pursuit of socio-economic inclusion;
- **CESVI**, supporting refugees with a focus on families with children, disabled and elderly people in Ukraine, Romania and Hungary;
- **Banco Farmaceutico Onlus**, with the Pharma4Ucraina project, for the free distribution of emergency medicines and support for related transport costs, with delivery to the Ukrainian population;
- **CIR - Consiglio Italiano Rifugiati**, for legal, structured support to protect lone children and single parent families;
- **Vicariato di Roma**, for initiatives of solidarity and reception of Ukrainian youth and families, due in part to the actions of the Next Gen Together project, which aims "to bring the peripheries closer to the centre", focusing on respect and equal rights;
- **Confederazione Nazionale delle Misericordie d'Italia**, for the accommodation of 34 orphaned boys and girls between 9 months and 18 years of age at the Casa della Stella facility in the municipality of Fosciandora (LU). The project includes educational/school activities, extra-curricular activities and medical assistance;

- **AVSI**: in partnership with AVSI Polska, to increase the employment and employability levels of 150 refugee women and the socio-educational integration of 50 children in their care (children and foster children);
- **Action Against Hunger**, to ensure access to safe water and adequate sanitation (WASH) for Ukrainian refugees and host communities in Moldova;
- **the NGO Bambini nel Deserto Onlus**, in support of Ukrainian healthcare with the project Ambulances Ukraine 2022/23, which provides for the purchase of second-hand emergency vehicles (ambulances, vans, pick-ups and other vehicles), the complete repair and upgrading of the vehicles and their delivery to the Ukrainian civil authorities on the border with Poland;
- **Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Italy**, for raising students' awareness of human rights and processes of integration of Ukrainian refugees into the Italian labour market.

In addition to the donation of €10 million, Intesa Sanpaolo's Charity Fund gave €300,000 to **Soleterre** and **Médecins Sans Frontières**, respectively committed to providing shelter and continuity of care to cancer-affected children in Kiev and to supporting hospitals and doctors to treat the war-wounded and guarantee basic medical and mental health care.

The initiative to donate €10 million to humanitarian projects for Ukraine, announced by the Bank last March, is part of the broader commitment to solidarity shown by Sanpaolo, which has long responded to emergencies with extraordinary measures such as the donation of €100 million to Italian healthcare during the pandemic (report at this link <https://group.intesasanpaolo.com/it/sala-stampa/news/il-mondo-di-intesa-sanpaolo/2022/resoconto-donazione-100mln-sanita-coronavirus>).

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