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In the 2021-2027 Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), a budget of EUR 1.69 billion was allocated to co-fund dual-use transport infrastructure through the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)¹. Following Russia's aggression against Ukraine in February 2022, the Commission decided to significantly reinforce the support to dual-use transport infrastructure for military mobility by frontloading the available budget. In total, during the current MFF, CEF awarded co-funding worth EUR 1.75 billion to 95 projects in 21 Member States.

All projects selected under the military mobility envelope of the CEF contribute to improve military mobility. In line with the Military Mobility Action Plan 2.0², the Commission and the European External Action Service took swift action to identify, together with the Member States, priority military mobility corridors for large-scale movements of forces and military materiel at short notice, including in northern Europe (Sweden and Finland). This work also included the identification of gaps on those priority corridors, including an estimation of the costs to mitigate these gaps, which will help to better guide and prioritise future investments to build a coherent military mobility network.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2021/1153 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2021 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1316/2013 and (EU) No 283/2014 (Text with EEA relevance); ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/1153/2024-07-18>

² <https://defence-industry-space.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2022-11/Action%20plan%20on%20military%20mobility%202.0.pdf>