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**Question for written answer E-000202/25
to the Commission
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(17 January 2025)**

Subject: Reconstruction fund for Gaza

With a ceasefire agreement between Hamas and Israel approaching, it is of paramount importance that the international community mobilises to secure funding for the reconstruction of the Gaza Strip to rebuild the homes, hospitals, roads, schools and critical infrastructure that have been destroyed. The EU clearly has a critical role, as a humanitarian actor, to ensure the rebuilding of Gaza. The Commission is therefore asked to specify the following:

Does the Commission intend to create a Gaza facility in order to mobilise and coordinate the desperately needed financing for the reconstruction of Gaza?

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**Answer given by Ms Šuica on behalf of the European Commission
(28 March 2025)**

The EU has put its effort first on scaling up humanitarian support in Gaza and stands ready to engage in the early recovery and reconstruction of Gaza. On 18 February 2025, the EU released the Gaza Interim Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment (IRDNA) ⁽¹⁾, prepared jointly with the United Nations and the World Bank and in collaboration with the Palestinian Authority.

The needs for recovery and reconstruction are estimated at EUR 49 billion. Given the magnitude of needs, it will require the mobilisation and coordination of all donors, including the Arab States.

The IRDNA will be followed by a conflict recovery framework. It will set the priorities for scalable recovery and reconstruction. It will also inform about the relevant implementation channels and funding mechanisms, in close cooperation with a reformed Palestinian Authority.

The conditions for scalable recovery and reconstruction are not yet in place, with protracted uncertainty on the security, governance and political arrangements that are to be determined.

The Commissioner for the Mediterranean will lead the Commission's work on developing, with international partners, a dedicated reconstruction plan for Gaza, in good cooperation with the High Representative/Vice-President and the Commissioner in charge of preparedness and crisis management.

⁽¹⁾ https://www.eeas.europa.eu/sites/default/files/documents/2025/Gaza%20RDNA_0.pdf