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Ukraine's ownership of the reform and reconstruction process is a basis for the Commission's support. Through the Ukraine Facility¹, the Commission ensures that this process advances Ukraine's EU accession. The Commission's support for the new public investment management system is essential as it will embed Ukraine's reconstruction in a framework of strategic planning, transparency accountability, and ensure alignment with pan-European strategies and EU accession requirements.

The Commission recognises the role of cross-border cooperation for Ukraine's recovery and reconstruction. It therefore welcomes initiatives for cross-border cooperation to support Ukraine's recovery and reconstruction, including based on existing programmes: long-standing Romanian-Ukrainian cooperation supported by the Commission will soon extend to include Moldova-Ukraine cross-border actions.

Cross-border initiatives of Chambers of Commerce and business associations can play an important role in reinforcing the Commission's mobilisation of private sector investments for Ukraine's reconstruction under the Ukraine Investment Framework – the investment arm of the Ukraine Facility. Cross-border partnerships, including of chambers of commerce, are traditional and very effective partners in the EU cooperation programmes. Trilateral cooperation can follow best practices in this area to further Ukraine's reconstruction and help integration into the single market.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2024/792 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 February 2024 establishing the Ukraine Facility, OJ L, 2024/792, 29.2.2024.