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EU funds are not transmitted to the Cuban authorities. Over the past five years (2021-2025), 29 contracts have been signed for a total amount of EUR 94 897 243, through contribution agreements and grant contracts.

Under the Directorate-General for International Partnerships, 18 contracts were signed with the following partners: (i) contribution agreements with Pan American Health Organization (EUR 1 875 000), United Nations Development Programme (EUR 34 827 700), Agence Française de Développement (EUR 18 389 300), Fundación para la Internacionalización de las Administraciones Públicas and e-Governance Academy (EUR 8 500 000), Agenzia Italiana per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo (EUR 12 400 000), Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional para el Desarrollo (EUR 1 050 000), United Nations and Member State agencies (EUR 2 570 000) for Euroclima projects; (ii) Grant contracts (EUR 4 656 336) with European civil society organisations, selected through competitive calls for proposals. Under the EU humanitarian aid instrument, 11 contracts were signed and are implemented by United Nations agencies and European civil society organisations (EUR 10 628 907).

As with all EU cooperation programmes worldwide, a system of reporting, monitoring, controls and audits is in place to ensure that funds are spent in accordance with Financial Rules and Regulations¹. If that is not the case, a procedure is put in place to recover ineligible expenditures. As of today, the Commission has not received any audit report indicating fraud, corruption or other illegal activity related to the abovementioned projects.

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union; <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj/eng>; <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1046/oj/eng>.