SOUTH AMERICA | EUROPEAN HUMANITARIAN AID 2016-2017: €17.4 million

€8.25 million funding



EMERGENCY RESPONSE



€8.25 million in ECHO funding to respond to emergencies caused by disasters, such as the effects of El Niño (drought in Colombia and floods in Paraguay), as well as the devastating earthquake in Ecuador in 2016. ECHO's response also adressed small scale events (severe localized floods and economic crisis impacts).



€9.18 million FUNDING



DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (DRR)

€9.18 million in ECHO funding for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) / Disaster Preparedness /Resilience. ECHO supports 20 DRR projects in South America, all intended to increase preparedness and resilience spanning local to regional levels. DRR work after disasters allows ECHO to maximize the impact of funding and resources, as interest and willingness to reduce the effect of future disasters is very high in their aftermath.





CIVIL PROTECTION

ECHO has deployed the European Union Civil Protection Mechanism several times to South America, sending experts to Ecuador after the April 2016 earthquake, the Bolivia Drought (October 2016) and the Chilean Forest Fires (February 2017).



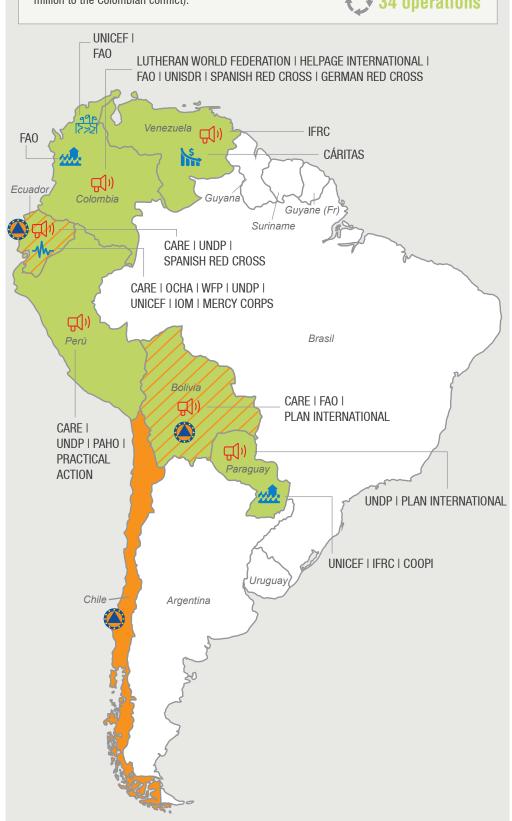
EU humanitarian at a glance

The European Commission's humanitarian assistance to South America funded €407 million in aid since 1994 (of which €202.7 million to the Colombian conflict).





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