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ECONOMIC SUPPORT MEASURES OVERVIEW



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Summary

 Building forth on existing program  Measure from scratch

Country	Value of committed support	Value of Guarantees	Employment reduction salary support schemes	Cash support with other costs (rent, fixed costs)	Tax & social security deferrals or suspensions	Low cost loans	Guarantees	Mediation support supplier-client	Link to official government information
Germany	Unlimited	€500 billion	(BfA) 			(KfW) 	(KfW) 		BMWI
France	€45 billion	€300 billion		small business 		Bpifrance 	Bpifrance 	LME 	Economie.gouv
UK	£20 billion	£330 billion	Stat. sick pay ext. considered						DBE&I
Italy	€25 billion								Governo.it
Spain	€100 billion	€100 billion		small business 					Jefatura del Estado
Netherlands	Unlimited	Unlimited							Business.gov.nl
Sweden	€27 billion								Finansdepartementet
Poland	€46.7 billion								
Portugal	€3 billion	€2 billion							República Portuguesa SPGM
Belgium									
Romania			Retro active reimbursement						
CzechRepublic									Vlada.cz
Slovakia	Measures to be announced	Measures to be announced							
Hungary									
Slovenia		€0.8 billion	Proposal in preparation			SID 			
Austria	€4 billion								
Croatia	Measures to be announced	Measures to be announced							

Employment subsidies

Country	Employment reduction and temporary salary compensation schemes	Involved agency and link with further information	Advice on corona payroll support by chamber of commerce or associations	Link to apply (if already available)
Germany	Kurzarbeit: 60% of net salary of unutilised hours, if 10% of business revenues is impacted	Bundesagentur für Arbeit BMWI.de		Kurzarbeitergeld BfA
France	<i>Chomage partiel</i> : a guarantee of 84% of the net salary (up to 4,5*minimum wages, bonuses excluded) and 100% for salary equal to minimum wage.	Ministere du Travail,	regional DIRECCTE	Ministere du Travail
UK				
Italy	<p>TREATMENT OF ORDINARY SALARY SUPPLEMENTS</p> <p>Employers who suspend or reduce activities due to Covid19 can access ordinary layoff funds no later than the 4th month after suspension (deadline August 2020) for a maximum period of 9 weeks.</p> <p>Workers receiving the subsidy must have been employed since 23rd February 2020, the legal limitation of 90 days' seniority does not apply.</p> <p>This provision can also be used if:</p> <p>Companies which on 23rd February enjoyed "extraordinary" or "exceptional" salary supplements, suspend them and take advantage of these new arrangements.</p> <p>PARENTAL LEAVE</p> <p>Workers in private companies with children (also in foster care)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - up to the age of 12 years are entitled to 15 days' leave (even if not continuous) with 50% of their salary. - 13 to 16 years old have the right to abstain from work for the school suspension period, without compensation and with the right to keep their job. <p>As an alternative to leave, there is an allowance for baby-sitting services available of €600.</p> <p>PAID LEAVE TO CARE FOR FAMILY MEMBERS</p> <p>The number of care days for disabled family members has now been increased from 3 to 15 days per month.</p>		Confinindustria	
Spain				
Netherlands	<i>Noodmaatregel Overbrugging voor Werkbehoud</i> compensates for losses from 1 March, max. 90% of salary depending on impact, if 20% of revenue is impacted, max. 6 months	Ministerie van Social Zaken en Werkgelegenheid and UWV	Kamer van Koophandel/Coronaloeket and over view of measures Business.gov.nl	Ondernemersplein
Sweden	<i>Korttidspermittering</i> lowers salary costs by 50%, while employee receives 90% of salary. Furthermore, full coverage of sickpay	Tillväxtverket		Tillväxtverket (application not before 7 April)
Poland	co-financing of wages by the State Treasury - 40% (up to the value of an average wage), at least 40% covered by the employer			
Portugal	extraordinary support for the maintenance of employment contracts in companies in a situation of business crisis, to the value of 2/3 of remuneration, with Social Security paying 70% of this amount, the remainder being borne by the employer		IAPMEI	

Belgium				
Romania				
Czech Republic				
Slovakia				
Hungary				
Slovenia	The employer may order employees to temporarily lay-off due to a temporary inability to provide work or a business reason on the employer's side (in the absence of orders, materials, work resources, etc.). The Intervention Act stipulates that in such a cases employers' costs will be cofinanced at 40% by the state			
Austria	Companies are able to reduce the working hours down to 0% of the normal working hours, with the limitation that within a 3-months' period of time, at least 10% of the normal working hours have to be actually carried out on average. Despite the reduction of working hours, employees still receive up to 90% of their net salary. Hereby, the employer pays the salary equivalent to the actual working hours, whereas the difference up to 90% is paid by the government. If the employer reduces the working hours of an employee down to eg 20%, the employer, therefore, has to cover only 20% of the employee's net salary. The difference up to 90% (thus 70%) will be paid by the government.			
Croatia				

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Loans & Guarantees

Country	Guarantees, conditions and limits	Involved agency and links	Loans	Links
Germany	KFW plans Corona program allowing up to 80% or 90% (investments) guarantees. Extension of existing programs: up to 80% of credit loans up to 200 mln Euro (revenue up to €2bln) and up to 70% for syndicated financing (revenue op to €5 bln)	KFW and Bürgschaftsbanken der Länder		
France	Bpifrance guarantees up to 70% of cash loans granted by French private banks from 16 March to 31 December 2020	Bpifrance's online form, alternatively directly via company's corporate bank	French banks have committed to postpone the reimbursement of corporate loans for up to 6 months, free of charge.	
UK	£330bn government-back loans and guarantees: This will be available for all sizes of businesses to help them pay wages, suppliers, and keep afloat during turbulent times.	British Business Bank	The Bank of England' Covid Corporate Lending Facility purchases short-term debt to raise working capital, available from 23 March.	Bank of England
	Business interruption loan scheme: For smaller businesses, of up to £5m each.			
	Most Corona impact mitigating financing instruments target SMEs. Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme provides lender government-backed guarantee and interest payment covered for first 6 months, maximum amount is £5 million.			
Italy	LIQUIDITY SUPPORT FOR COMPANIES	Website of regional governments? Various agencies?	FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR SME's	
	For companies that have experienced a fall in turnover due to the emergency, the State will issue guarantees of up to 80% for the provision of liquidity from the banks.	(TBD)	SMEs will be able to take advantage of state financial support of up to 33% of their loans	
	ENHANCEMENT TO THE CENTRAL 'GUARANTEE FUND FOR SME's'.		(a) for the credit given against 'advances on existing loans' existing loans granted from 29th February onwards, these amounts may not be withdrawn until 30th September 2020.	
	From 17th March 2020 and for a period of 9 months, the "Guarantee Fund for SMEs" will have operating rules as an exception to normal operation:		(b) non-instalment loans with a contractual maturity before 30th September 2020 may be extended until then under the same conditions.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> granting guarantees free of charge 		(c) payments of instalments for loans, leases and other funding that fall due before 30th September 2020 shall be suspended until such date and the repayment schedule shall be deferred without any formalities and without incurring any additional charges for the parties concerned.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> maximum guaranteed amount per company from €2 million to €5 million 		Operations covered by these support measures are subject, without evaluation, by a specific guarantee from a special section of the SME Fund, with a budget of €1.7 billion.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• eligible debt rescheduling operations• all administrative deadlines extended for 3 months• extended guarantee in the event of a request for suspension of instalments• elimination of charges due to non-completion.• possibility of setting up special sections for certain economic sectors• facilitating guarantees for financing self-employed workers, professionals and individual entrepreneurs. <p>The Fund is refinanced to the tune of EUR 1.5 billion for 2020.</p> <p>Various regions have announced established guarantee funds or loan suspensions.</p>			
Spain				
Netherlands	<p><u>From 16 March 2020 to 1 April 2021, the SME credit guarantee (BMKB) scheme will be extended to help SMEs that are affected by the coronavirus secure bank guarantees and bridge financing. The extended scheme is referred to as BMKB-C.</u></p> <p><u>The Business loan guarantee scheme (GO) has been extended.</u></p>		Dutch banks have committed to postpone the reimbursement of corporate loans for up to 6 months, free of charge. Commitments for small loans, but intention to be lenient for bigger loans.	Contact corporate bank, ABN AMRO provides automotive extension for all loans up to 2.5 million
Sweden	Credit guarantees of €0.5 billion, currently limited to airlines, but <i>Exportkreditnämndens kreditgarantiram</i> likely to be extended to exporting companies. The Riksbank lends up to SEK 500 billion to companies via the banks to secure credit supply to Swedish companies.	Regeringskansliet and Riksbank		
Poland				

Portugal			<p>Government announced 4 lines of credits, of which 1.3 billion euros is allocated to industry, and 400 million to micro and small businesses.</p> <p>Bank of Portugal and the government are working towards a decree that allows moratorium to SMEs</p>	<p>República Portuguesa and Sábado // Dinheiro</p>
Belgium				
Romania				
Czech Republic				
Slovakia				
Hungary				
Slovenia				
Austria	<p>The government further guarantees financing to entrepreneurs, which would be economically “healthy”, however do not possess any or enough liquidity</p> <p>due to the Covid-19 crisis. The financing is done by way of the government taking over a liability of up to 80% of debt if entrepreneurs, whereas the liability is capped at EUR 2.5 million per entrepreneur.</p>			
Croatia				

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Tax deferrals & Suspensions

Country	Conditions and Limits	Involved agency	Other expertise	Link
Germany		BMW.de		
France				
UK		Gov.uk		
Italy	<p>THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INTEGRATED PROMOTION FUND</p> <p>An integrated promotion fund with € <i>(TBD)</i> million is set up for the implementation of various initiatives. These include (...)- financial compensation for penalties paid by Italian companies to foreign clients due to delays or failure to comply, as a result of virus containment measures.</p> <p>TAX CREDIT FOR WORKPLACE SANITATION</p> <p>A tax credit of 50% (max. 20,000 euros) is granted to companies that sanitise their workplaces and equipment. Ceiling: 50 million euro for 2020.</p> <p>SUSPENSION OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND TAX PAYMENTS</p> <p>From 23rd February to 1st June 2020, the deadlines for payments of contributions and compulsory employee insurance are suspended.</p> <p>The deadline for tax obligations other than payments, withholding and retained amounts is extended to 30 June.</p> <p>A deferred tax extension has been determined based on the company's revenues relating to the tax period before 2020 for both tax and contribution payments.</p> <p>DEFERRAL OF CUSTOMS DUTIES</p> <p>There is an automatic deferral of 30 days, without interest, of all customs duty payments until 31st April 2020.</p>			
Spain	Case of force majeure: 100% exemption for Social Security fees to all businesses under 50 employees, 75% exemption to businesses over 50 employees.			
Netherlands				
Sweden	Ability to defer income tax and VAT and employer contribution up to 1 year. Takes effect on April 7, 2020, but can be applied retroactively from January 1, 2020.	Finansdepartementet ; Form available on Skatteverket		
Poland				
Portugal		República Portuguesa		
Belgium				
Romania				
Czech Republic				
Slovakia				
Hungary				
Slovenia				
Austria	In case companies experience liquidity problems caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, the government has simplified the approach to apply for a deferral of tax prepayments, which would be due in the next upcoming months. However, tax declarations have to be submitted in due time nonetheless, just the payment is deferred broadly. The details of these measures (e.g. application requirements, amounts granted) aren't finally determined"			
Croatia				

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