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The use of Cohesion Policy funds to support refugees from Ukraine

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This research study aims to assess the use of Cohesion Policy funds and instruments to support refugees from Ukraine in the context of the Cohesion's Action for Refugees in Europe (also known as CARE). Building on an analysis of the inflow and needs of refugees arriving in the EU from Ukraine, the study reviews the EU response(s) to the migratory crisis and the actions taken by EU countries, regions and cities to assist those refugees. In that regard, individual case studies on six European NUTS-2 regions are carried out to shed light on the challenges faced and resources mobilised by regional authorities to help refugees settle and integrate into local communities and labour markets. The findings of these analytical tasks should feed into policy recommendations on the design and purpose of the EU Cohesion Policy, as its role as crisis response tool could place it at odds with its long-term goal of promoting convergence.

Demographics of the Austrian foreign trade structure

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The aim of the study is to prepare detailed evidence on the demographics of Austrian firms engaged in foreign trade and to prepare them for economic policy makers. For this purpose, a dataset of the Austrian Micro Data Center (AMDC) is used. The project provides novel insights concerning the characteristics of Austrian companies which are active in foreign trade by destination markets and respective company-level indicators determining the international performance. At the same time, the study exemplifies and discusses the potential for further and more in-depth analyses using the available individual data.