



## Flood Relief: Erste Bank Doubles Employee Donations to 54,000 Euro

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Erste Bank is doubling employee donations for the flood victims in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia and Croatia. Thomas Uher, member of the management board, has delivered the amount of 54,000 euro to Caritas president Michael Landau today. "It goes without saying that we want to quickly extend aid to people in one of our core regions", says Thomas Uher.

"Following the provision of urgent emergency aid, the task is now to assist the victims of the flood in reconstruction and in securing their livelihood. Every donation counts and helps our desperate neighbors. We want the people to stand on their own feet again as quickly as possible. In view of the extent of the catastrophe, it is however clear that aid will be required for the long haul. Erste Bank and its employees are showing enormous solidarity, and are sending a clear signal of hope: we won't let people down", says Caritas president Michael Landau. There are hundreds of thousands of flood victims in the region, partly a state of emergency had to be declared. Although the situation has for the moment slightly improved, it is precisely now that help for reconstruction is urgently needed.

"Once a catastrophe is over and the media no longer report on it - that is precisely when additional aid is needed in order to help people to rebuild", Uher emphasizes.

Anyone who wishes to help Austria's neighbors in the Balkan region can do so through the following donations account:

Caritas Österreich

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