

# European March for Ukraine

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## Inspiration and pilot marches

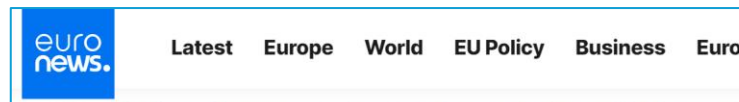
We are following our previous larger event – [Estonian plan for Ukraine](#) flashmob in Prague.

And [2 pilot marches](#) in cooperation with initiative across Czech republic in October.

- 3-day march from Česká Lípa to Prague.
- March from Trutnov to Hrádeček (cottage of Václav Havel) this time dedicated to Ukraine.



# Pilot events in news:



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## A three-day march in support of the defense fund for Ukraine was held in the Czech Republic

October 5, 2024, 11:18 p.m



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Thank you, Estonia! Thank you, Prague!

A rally in Prague in support of Estonia's suggestion on military support to Ukraine.

They suggest that each EU country should allocate no less than 0,25% of its GDP on support for Ukraine. That should total to Eur 120 billion which would exceed Russia's yearly war expenditures.

📻: Radio Svoboda





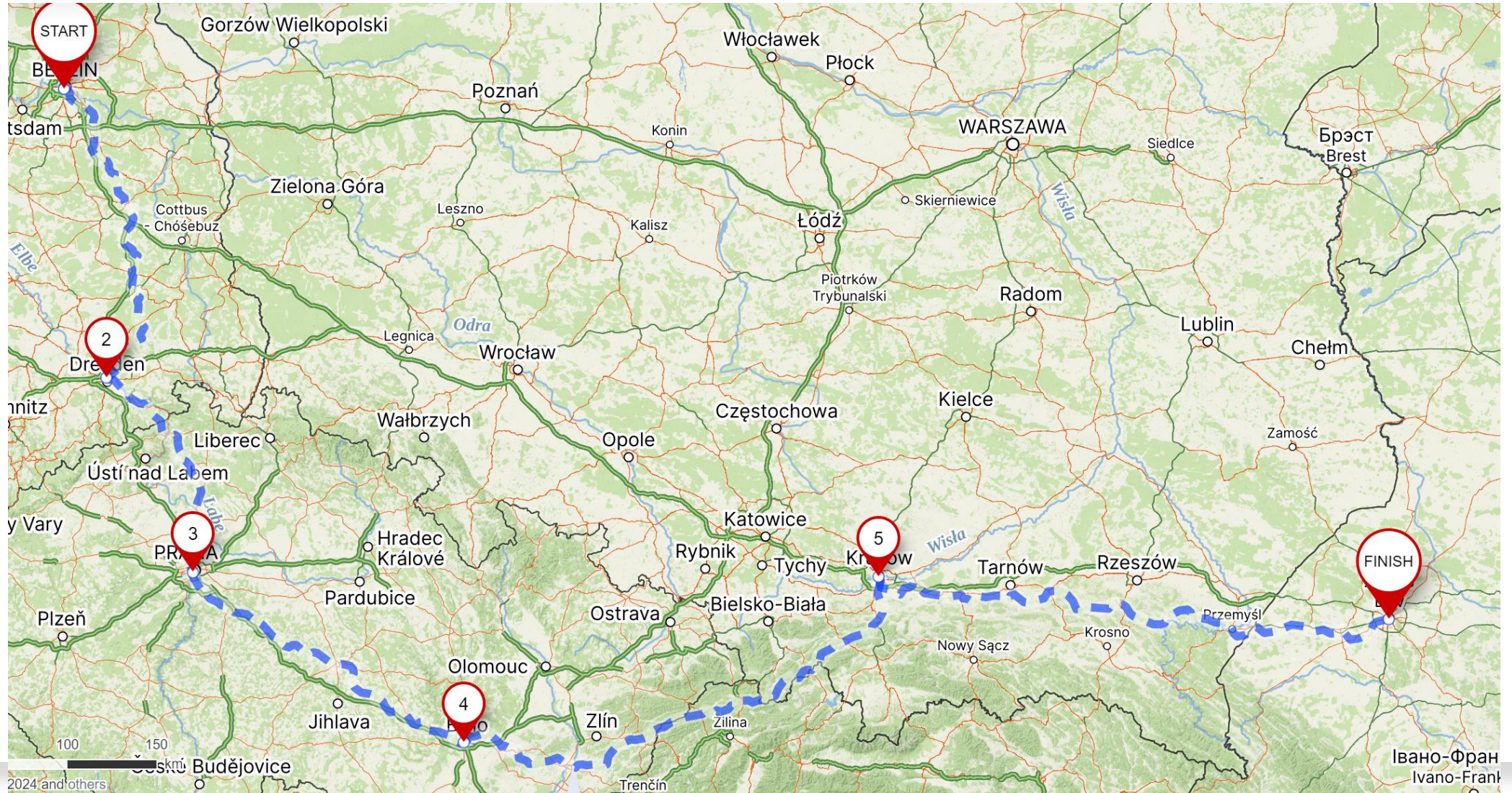
# Goal of European March for Ukraine

We promote the idea that European countries **should create robust joint defense fund for Ukraine = for Europe.**

We shall use deterrence by economical power – as Estonian plan says (0,25% western GDP per year as military support of Ukraine). European countries can borrow such amount (100B euro) on financial markets as they did after pandemic (800B euro). **Russia cannot do this and is economically much smaller. We need to wake up Europe, because this plan needs to be talked – and put in place.**

This is realistic path for peace and in line with Estonian plan and Draghi proposal.

# Preliminary route of the proposed long march (from Berlin to Lviv) – 1554 km, up to 2 months of walking



Link to online draft tour: <https://en.mapy.cz/s/kakohasasu>

# Why do we propose this strategy of long march?

Because we urgently need to bring public attention in Europe to the fact that **war can and be stopped, Ukraine and freedom preserved**, if Europe will finally use its financial strength.

Long march when **somebody walks very long distance** (with support of others) is challenging and therefore **very strong story**. Something like this was done in the past for even longer distances and it is a way how to efficiently signal the following: citizens in Europe understand the only way to stop Russian war is by our combined economical power = strong defence fund for Ukraine.



# Ideas for stops on the way - European March for Ukraine

Panel discussions



Street marches / city rallies



Press conferences



Walks with well-known people



March pictures in nature





# European March for Ukraine: main features

**Main advantage:** interesting idea almost for everyone. It can really raise awareness and help improve defense of Europe (Ukraine at the frontline) in critical times. It is a powerful tool, fresh for public and media – bringing stories of participants and their motivation.

**Concerns and countermeasures:** We are looking for long distance walkers, EU citizens - to find someone who will walk the long distance. It is a long journey (1550 km, approx. up to 2,5 months of walking when every day average is 20 km) but we will help to crowdfund expenses for sleeping and support along the way by joining of other people, bring public attention etc.

We will be also looking for organizers and walkers. Please follow our [webpage](#) for registering your possible help.





# European March for Ukraine 2024/2025

## Possible timings:

- In winter/spring the latest, probable date is 24.2.2025

## Objective:

- Support joint fund for European = Ukrainian defense (Estonian plan).

## Q&A section on our webpage

- [Questions and answers - goals and practical matters](#)

## Join us:

- [marchforukraine.net](https://marchforukraine.net)