

# #STOPfinancingtheaggressor

## What is at stake?

As the war of aggression unleashed by its powerful neighbor rages in Ukraine, Western European payments for gas, oil and coal supplies from Russia continue to flow unimpeded – several hundred million euros every day. That way, the aggressor is given massive financial support, while he reduces cities to rubble, bombs apartment blocks, schools and hospitals, destroys lives, terrorizes the population and drives millions of people to flee. This cannot be allowed to go on any longer.

The ongoing financing of the aggressor cannot be justified from any point of view, neither ethically, politically, legally, economically, nor in any other reasonable way. And the worst part is feeling powerless. But is there really nothing we can do?

Yes, we can: let us share our knowledge and take a stand.

Energy imports from Russia must stop – knowing that this will entail costs and require some sacrifices on our part.

## What next?

Here is how we make an impact:

- We gather statements and endorsements from personalities at universities (and beyond) with different backgrounds.
- Next, we take the statements and the list of endorsements to the media and the Internet and bring them into the debate (hashtag #STOPfinancingtheaggressor).
- Once the debate has started, we let it run – and keep adding to it.

Every *statement* (substantive contribution *or* short, sharp statement) and every *endorsement* (consent to be named on the list of endorsements) are valuable. Please use the input forms on [www.STOPfinancingtheaggressor.org](http://www.STOPfinancingtheaggressor.org) for your statement and/or endorsement. Statements can also be sent by e-mail to [statement@STOPfinancingtheaggressor.org](mailto:statement@STOPfinancingtheaggressor.org).

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