

Internal Market Emergency and Resilience Act (IMERA)

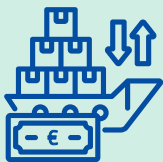
Important information for companies



WHAT IS THE INTERNAL MARKET EMERGENCY AND RESILIENCE ACT (IMERA)?

Crisis, from conflicts and supply chain disruptions to natural disasters and cyberattacks, are increasingly frequent and evolving. Companies are often among the first affected and play a crucial role in maintaining societal functions. The new EU Internal Market Emergency and Resilience Act (IMERA), applicable as of 29 May 2026, addresses this by establishing a clear governance framework and structured crisis response system for the internal market. Each Member State has a dedicated Central Liaison Office and Single Point of Contact for IMERA: your first port of call for information, reporting disruptions, and engaging with the system.

IMERA's OBJECTIVES



Safeguard and facilitate the free movement of goods, services and workers across the EU.



Ensure the availability of critical goods and services during a crisis.



Prevent the creation of new obstacles in the internal market.

WHY DOES IMERA MATTER FOR YOUR BUSINESS?

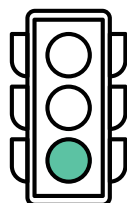
Contributing to IMERA, by sharing supply chain information or responding to requests to supply relevant goods and services, benefits your company directly. It helps authorities understand real business constraints and take better-informed decisions, reducing disruptions to your operations. At the same time, IMERA creates concrete business opportunities through fast-tracked permitting procedures and procurement tools.

When businesses and public authorities work together, crises are resolved more efficiently, and normal operations can resume sooner.

→ **Find out what IMERA means for your company at every stage, from preparing before a crisis to acting during one. See overleaf.**

IMERA'S THREE MODES

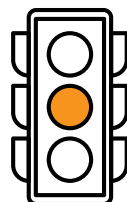
IMERA operates through three modes. Contingency Mode is the default. Vigilance and Emergency Mode can be activated by the Council, upon a proposal from the Commission, when a looming or concrete crisis threatens the internal market. The toolbox available under each mode is described below.



Contingency Mode

Planning and preparing before a crisis emerges. Early detection of disruptions through situational monitoring.

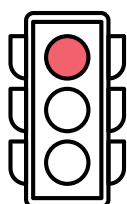
- Stakeholders are consulted by Member States' competent authorities to gather information and market intelligence about your sector.
- Companies can report supply chain disruptions and obstacles to free movement to their national IMERA Central Liaison Office.
- Stakeholders are invited on a voluntary basis to participate in preparedness training and crisis simulations by the European Commission.



Vigilance Mode

Heightened monitoring when a crisis is looming.

- National authorities may contact companies in affected sectors via a secure digital questionnaire, to inquire about information on disruptions, short term outlook, substitution options and capacity to increase production of the affected goods.
- Companies can bid in procurement procedures launched by the EU to provide the goods and services needed to avert the crisis.



Emergency Mode

Acting on a concrete crisis.

- Companies are protected from excessive restrictions on the free movement of goods, services and workers.
- The Commission may contact companies in affected sectors via a secure digital questionnaire to assess whether emergency measures would address severe shortages of crisis-relevant goods or services.
- Companies can bid in procurement procedures launched by the EU, on behalf of the Member States, to provide the goods and services needed to mitigate the crisis.
- Companies may receive priority-rated requests for crisis-relevant goods. Once accepted, it provides legal cover to redirect production without liability for non-performance toward existing customers.
- If the Commission activates fast-tracked permitting for crisis-relevant goods, companies can benefit from accelerated procedures to bring those products to market.
- Companies will get near-real-time updated information about how the crisis evolves as well as information about possible restrictions to free movement and other crisis response measures.

Find more information and your national IMERA contact points at <https://link.europa.eu/fyrfn>.