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Importance of NRRPs (Six EU Member States)

	Total NRRPs (€ billion)	Total NRRP* (%)	Grants (€ billion)	Grants* (%)
Denmark	1.63	0.43%	1.63	0.43%
Germany	30.32	0.72%	30.32	0.72%
France	40.27	1.43%	40.27	1.43%
Poland	59.82	7.99%	25.28	3.38%
Italy	194.38	9.12 %	71.78	3.37%
Spain	163.01	10.88%	79.85	5.33%

***as a share of GDP in 2023**

Source: European Commission: Recovery and Resilience Scoreboard – Implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility, https://ec.europa.eu/economy_finance/recovery-and-resilience-scoreboard/index.html?lang=en

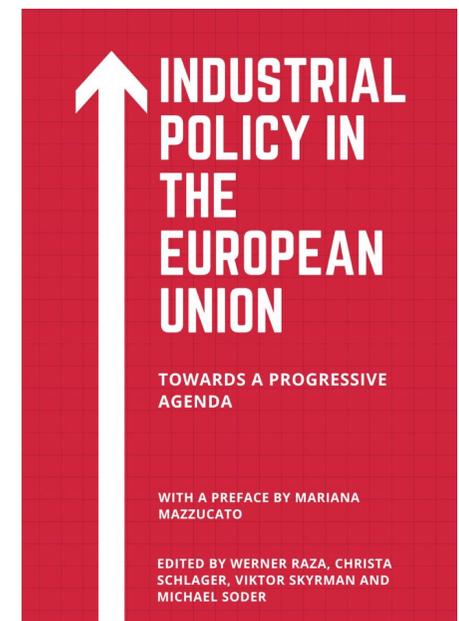
"Green Spending" as Declared in National RRF Plans

	Total "Green Spending" (€ billion)	"Green Spending" as % of RRF
Denmark	0.9	69%
Germany	11.8	47%
France	18.5	50%
Poland	25.5	47%
Italy	72.9	39%
Spain	64.7	40%

Some major shortcomings

- Tight timeframe hampers infrastructure investments
- Lack of cross-country projects
- Involvement of social actors
- Lack of conditionalities
(social / ecological / future profits* ...)

* „equitable sharing of burdens and benefits“



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(or rather: ... be closed)

- Resistance of the frugal alliance
- Rightward shift across EU
- Upcoming priority of military spending over social & ecological expenditures

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