

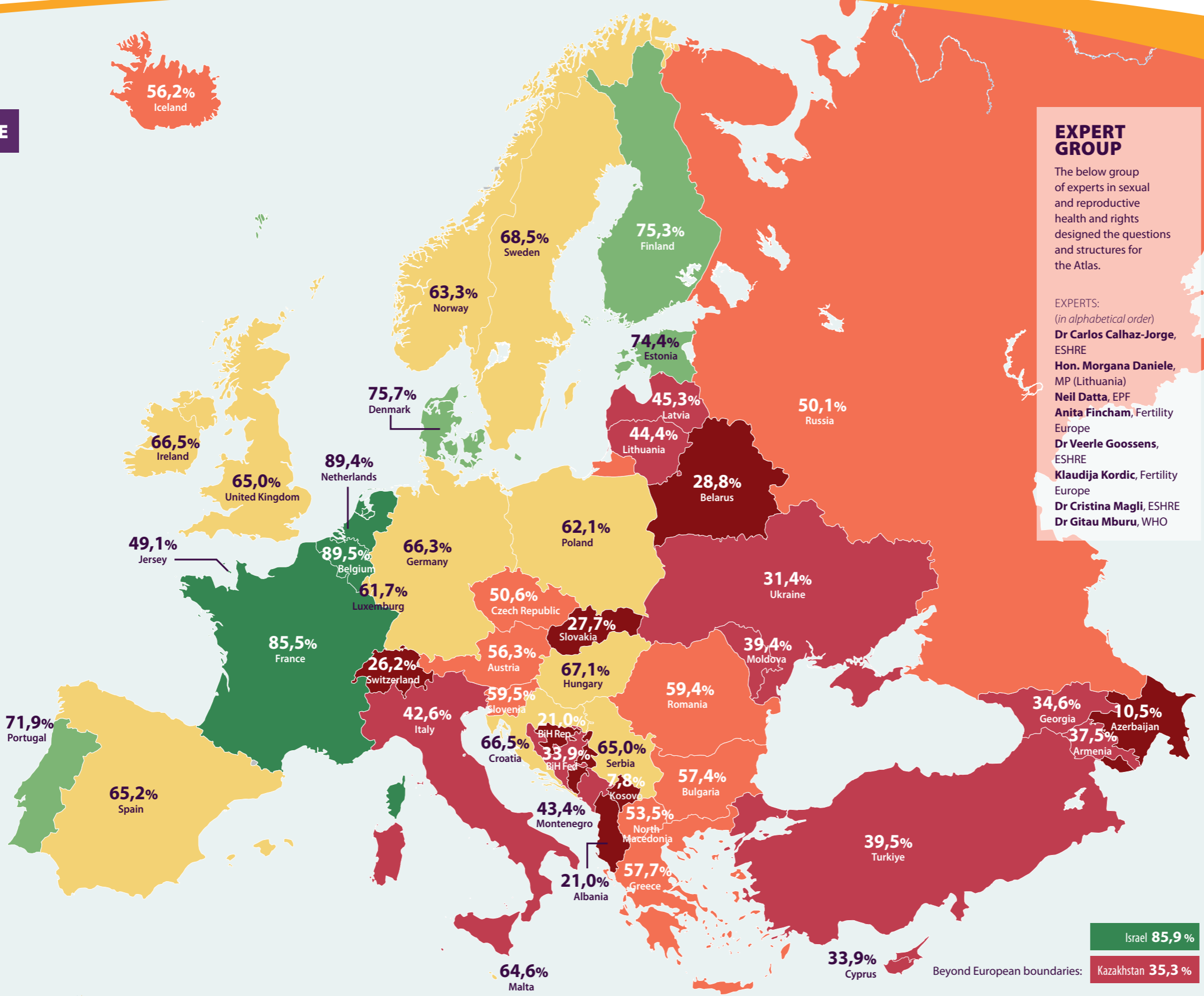
# EUROPEAN ATLAS OF FERTILITY TREATMENT POLICIES

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## RANKING SCALE

Belgium	89,5%
Netherlands	89,4%
Israel	85,9%
France	85,5%
Denmark	75,7%
Finland	75,3%
Estonia	74,4%
Portugal	71,9%
Sweden	68,5%
Hungary	67,1%
Croatia	66,5%
Ireland	66,5%
Germany	66,3%
Spain	65,2%
United Kingdom	65,0%
Serbia	65,0%
Malta	64,6%
Norway	63,3%
Poland	62,1%
Luxemburg	61,7%
Slovenia	59,5%
Romania	59,4%
Greece	57,7%
Bulgaria	57,4%
Austria	56,3%
Iceland	56,2%
North Macedonia	53,5%
Czech Republic	50,6%
Russia	50,1%
Jersey	49,1%
Latvia	45,3%
Lithuania	44,4%
Montenegro	43,4%
Italy	42,6%
Turkiye	39,5%
Moldova	39,4%
Armenia	37,5%
Kazakhstan	35,3%
Georgia	34,6%
Bosnia Herzegovina - Fed	33,9%
Cyprus	33,9%
Ukraine	31,4%
Belarus	28,8%
Slovakia	27,7%
Switzerland	26,2%
Bosnia Herzegovina - Rep	21,0%
Albania	21,0%
Azerbaijan	10,5%
Kosovo	7,8%



## EXPERT GROUP

The below group of experts in sexual and reproductive health and rights designed the questions and structures for the Atlas.

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## TIME FOR A EUROPEAN GAME-CHANGING MOVEMENT ON INFERTILITY



In the European Union alone **25 million citizens face infertility**

### WE CALL ON POLICY MAKERS TO:

- 1. Recognise** the right to try to have a child as a universal right across Europe;
- 2. Ensure** equal access to safe and efficient fertility treatments;
- 3. Provide** public funding for all lines of fertility treatments;
- 4. Engage** the public sector in providing better information about fertility and infertility;
- 5. Implement** communication campaigns to remove the stigma associated with infertility.



Infertility affects **1 in 6 couples worldwide**

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## INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES

### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Notes that infertility is a medical condition recognised by World Health Organization that can have severe effects such as depression; points out that infertility is on the increase and now occurs in about 15 % of couples; calls on the Member States, therefore, to ensure the right of couples to universal access to infertility treatment<sup>1</sup>.

### WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION

Government policies could mitigate the many inequities in access to safe and effective fertility care<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> EP Para 26 of the European Parliament resolution on the demographic future of Europe (2007/2156 (INI))  
<sup>2</sup> WHO <https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/infertility>



## Who is behind the Atlas?

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Kazakhstan **35,3%**

Beyond European boundaries:

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		LEGISLATION															PUBLIC FUNDING/REIMBURSEMENT			PATIENTS PERSPECTIVE					
		REGULATIONS			AVAILABLE TREATMENTS										PGT-M/SR <sup>(5)</sup> available	Gamete and embryo donation	IUJ <sup>(6)</sup> Up to 4 funded	IVF <sup>(3)</sup> /ICSI <sup>(4)</sup> Up to 6 funded	Is there a waiting list for public funding?	Does infertility patients association get consulted on public policies?	Is psychological support offered as part of MAR <sup>(7)</sup> treatment?	Is there state organised/sponsored fertility education?	Are there other issues affecting access to treatment or patient's rights?		
GENERAL COUNTRY PROGRESS	Is there ART <sup>(1)</sup> law?	National registry of ART <sup>(1)</sup> activity	Donor register	AID <sup>(2)</sup> insemination with donor sperm				Access to IVF <sup>(3)</sup> /ICSI <sup>(4)</sup>				With eggs donation													
				Hetero-sexual couples	Female couples	Single women	Hetero-sexual couples	Hetero-sexual couples	Female couples	Single women	Hetero-sexual couples	Female couples	Male couples	Single women											
A perfect country	100%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No waiting time	Yes	Yes	Yes	No reported issues/positive changes	A perfect country	
Albania	21,0%	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Albania	
Armenia	37,5%	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Mixed	Yes	Up to 2 partly	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Armenia	
Austria	56,3%	Yes	Only for public funded cycles	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	No	6 or more partly	No waiting time	No	No	No	Diagnosis needed to access funded treatment	Austria	
Azerbaijan	10,5%	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	No	N/A	No	N/A	No	Selection of couples	Azerbaijan	
Belarus	28,8%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Mixed	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Belarus	
Belgium	89,5%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Mixed	Yes	Yes	No waiting time	Sometimes/when changes occur	Paid by patient	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Belgium	
Bosnia & Herzegovina - Fed	33,9%	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No donation	Yes	Funded, details unknown	6-12 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Bosnia & Herzegovina - Fed	
Bosnia & Herzegovina - Rep	21,0%	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No donation	No	Funded, details unknown	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Bosnia & Herzegovina - Rep	
Bulgaria	57,4%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Up to 4	No waiting time	Sometimes/when changes occur	No	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Bulgaria	
Croatia	66,5%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Only with diagnose	Yes	Yes	No	Only with diagnose	Yes	No	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Yes	No waiting time	Sometimes/when changes occur	No	No	No discarding of embryo	Croatia	
Cyprus	33,9%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Up to 4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Cyprus	
Czech Republic	50,6%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	Yes	Up to 4 partly	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	No funding for ICSI	Czech Republic	
Denmark	75,7%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Mixed	Yes	6 or more partly	6-12 months	Sometimes/when changes occur	No	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Denmark	
Estonia	74,4%	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Anonymous	Yes	6 or more partly	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Estonia	
Finland	75,3%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Up to 6 partly	6-12 months	Sometimes/when changes occur	Only with donation	No	Exclusion from waiting list	Finland	
France	85,5%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	6 or more partly	6-12 months	Yes	Depends on the clinics/Sometimes	Yes	No reported issues/positive changes	France	
Georgia	34,5%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Mixed	No	No	N/A	No	No	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Georgia	
Germany	66,3%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Mixed	Yes	Up to 3 partly	No waiting time	N/A	No	One consultation before treatment	Yes	Legal ban on most embryo freezing	Germany
Greece	57,7%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Mixed	No	Up to 4	No waiting time	No	Depends on the clinics/Sometimes	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Greece	
Hungary	67,1%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Mixed	Yes	Yes	No waiting time	Sometimes/when changes occur	Depends on the clinics/Sometimes	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Hungary	
Iceland	56,2%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Mixed	No	Up to 4 partly	6-12 months	Sometimes/when changes occur	Paid by patient	No	5% only funding for 1st IVF cycle	Iceland	
Ireland	66,5%	No	Only for donor treatments	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Up to 3	Up to 1	Less than 6 months	Sometimes/when changes occur	No	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Ireland	
Israel	85,9%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Anonymous	Yes	Yes	Less than 6 months	Patients' initiative only	Yes	No	Not enough professionals	Israel	
Italy	42,6%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	Up to 3	Up to 3	6-12 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	Funding inequalities across the country	Italy	
Jersey	49,1%	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Mixed	Yes	No	N/A	Yes	N/A	No	Too low threshold for funding	Jersey	
Kazakhstan	35,3%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Funded, details unknown	6-12 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Kazakhstan	
Kosovo	7,8%	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Anonymous	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Kosovo	
Latvia	45,3%	Yes	Only for public funded cycles	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Up to 2	No waiting time	N/A	No	Yes	N/A	Latvia	
Lithuania	44,4%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Up to 2 partly	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	No reported issues/positive changes	Lithuania	
Luxemburg	61,7%	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Up to 3 partly	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Luxemburg	
Malta	64,6%	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Up to 3	6-12 months	No	Yes	No	Mandatory embryo donation	Malta	
Moldova	39,4%	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Funded, details unknown	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Moldova	
Montenegro	43,4%	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	Partly	Yes	6-12 months	No	Yes	No	More funding for couples than single women	Montenegro	
Netherlands	89,4%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Up to 3	No waiting time	Sometimes/when changes occur	No	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Netherlands	
North Macedonia	53,5%	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	6 or more partly	No waiting time	Sometimes/when changes occur	No	No	No reported issues/positive changes	North Macedonia	
Norway	63,3%	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Up to 3 partly	6-12 months	Sometimes/when changes occur	Paid by patient	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Norway	
Poland	62,1%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	Yes	Yes	No waiting time	Yes	Yes	No	Mandatory embryo donation	Poland	
Portugal	71,9%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Up to 3	Up to 3	More than 12 months	Yes	Depends on the clinics/Sometimes	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Portugal	
Romania	59,4%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Mixed	No	Funded, details unknown	6-12 months	Sometimes/when changes occur	No	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Romania	
Russia	50,1%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Mixed	Partly	6 or more partly	6-12 months	No	Paid by patient	No	N/A	Russia	
Serbia	65,0%	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Anonymous	Yes	Yes	No waiting time	Sometimes/when changes occur	Paid by patient	No	No reported issues/positive changes	Serbia	
Slovakia	27,7%	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Up to 3	6-12 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Slovakia	
Slovenia	59,5%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	Yes	Yes	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Slovenia	
Spain	65,2%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Anonymous	Yes	Up to 3	More than 12 months	Sometimes/when changes occur	Paid by patient	No	Funding inequalities across the country	Spain	
Sweden	68,5%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Up to 3	6-12 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sweden	
Switzerland	26,1%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Non-anonymous	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Switzerland	
Turkiye	38,4%	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No donation	Up to 2	Up to 3 partly	No waiting time	N/A	N/A	N/A	Selection of couples	Turkiye	
Ukraine	31,4%	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Anonymous	No	Up to 1	6-12 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Ukraine	
United Kingdom	65,0%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Non-anonymous	Yes	Funded, details unknown	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	Funding inequalities across the country	United Kingdom	

(1) ART: Assisted Reproduction Technologies, (2) AID: Insemination with Donor Sperm, (3) IVF: In Vitro Fertilisation, (4) ICSI: Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection, (5) PGT-M/SR: Pre-Implantation Genetic Testing for Monogenic Diseases/Chromosomal Structural Rearrangements, (6) IUJ: Intrauterine Insemination, (7) MAR: Medically Assisted Reproduction. Sources: ESHRE EIM survey 31st December 2022, updated countries: Bulgaria, Croatia, Iceland, Ireland, Poland; desk research: Azerbaijan, Israel, Jersey, Kosovo, Russia. \* Provide submission as part of the pre-legislative process; work not directly with government departments.