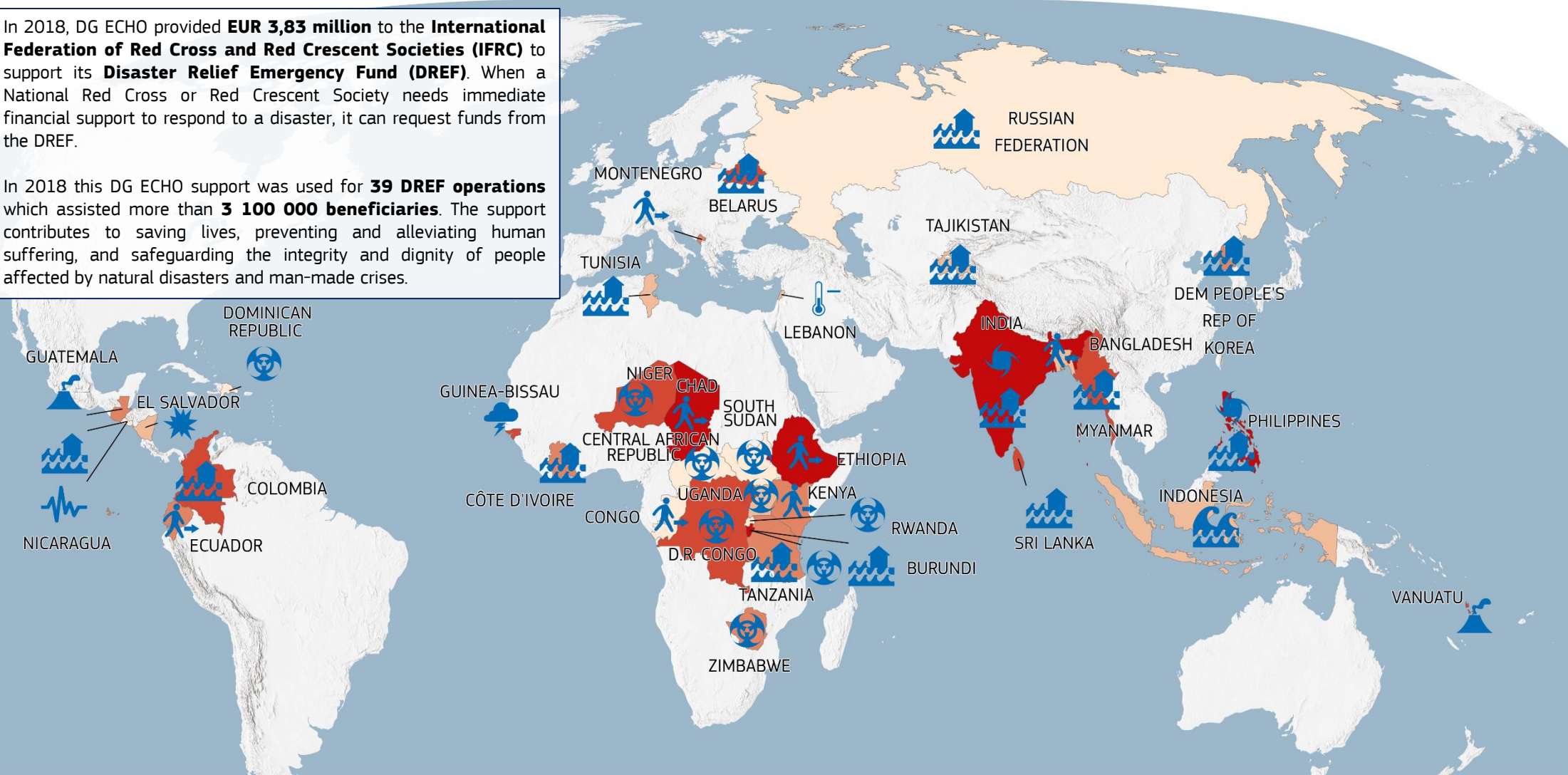


In 2018, DG ECHO provided **EUR 3,83 million** to the **International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)** to support its **Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF)**. When a National Red Cross or Red Crescent Society needs immediate financial support to respond to a disaster, it can request funds from the DREF.

In 2018 this DG ECHO support was used for **39 DREF operations** which assisted more than **3 100 000 beneficiaries**. The support contributes to saving lives, preventing and alleviating human suffering, and safeguarding the integrity and dignity of people affected by natural disasters and man-made crises.



- Disaster**
- Civil Unrest
 - Earthquake
 - Extreme Winter
 - Floods
 - Infectious disease
 - Population Movement
 - Storm
 - Tropical Cyclone
 - Tsunami
 - Volcano

