

New Multiannual Financial Framework of the EU (2021-2027) and Key Programmes Overview



What is the Multiannual Financial Framework?

The **Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF)**, or the EU's long-term budget, lays down how much the **European Union** can invest over **7** years – on projects and programmes that strengthen Europe's future. Thus, above all, **it is an expression of the political priorities set.** It brings together:



The EU's long-term budget helps millions of students, thousands of researchers, cities, businesses, regions and NGOs. **The idea behind it is that pulling resources together makes Europe stronger and is key to boosting prosperity and peace**

What is the MFF?

❖ **Unlike national budgets, the EU budget is more of an investment budget:**

It does not fund social protection, primary education or national defence, but rather the key areas that provide European added value by boosting growth and competitiveness.

❖ **It is predictable:**

The MFF ensures a stable and predictable inflow of resources for the Union's long-term priorities. This predictability is crucial, for example, for researcher that work on scientific researches that take several years to complete.

❖ **It ensures Europe's role as a global actor**

The challenges we face are global. The EU budget provides the means for a global response to tackle transnational issues that affect all human beings.

Peculiarities of the MFF 2021-2027

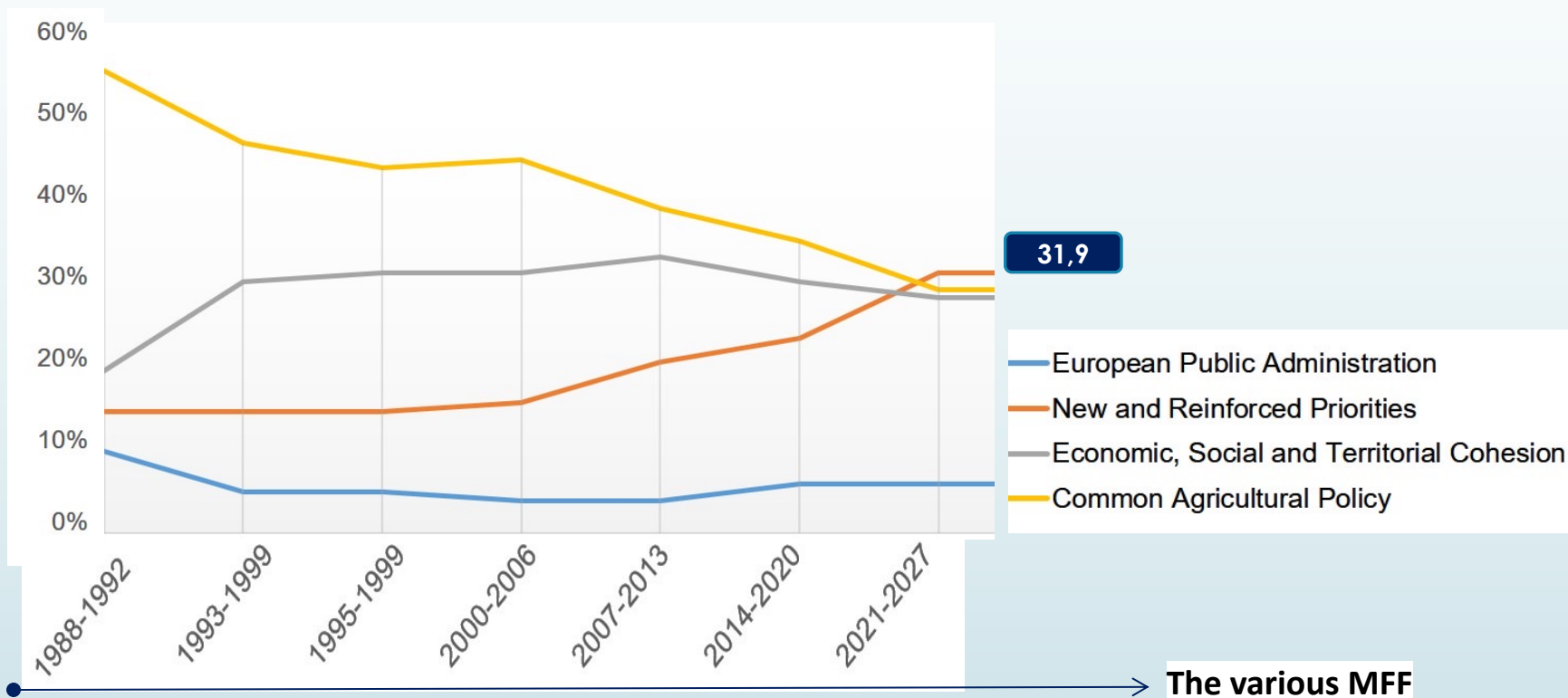
It is a budget both firmly oriented towards the **green and digital transition** and strongly focused on the reconstruction of post-COVID-19 Europe. Indeed:

- ❖ More than **50%** of EU funds will support **recovery** and **digitisation** in Europe
- ❖ **30 %** of the EU budget will be allocated to the **fight against climate change**, which is the highest share ever allocated in European history.
- ❖ **It is a record budget**
With both its **EUR 1,074 billion** and the respective **EUR 750 billion** from the new recovery instrument (**Next Generation Eu**), the Union's multiannual budget amounts to **EUR 1. 824.3 billion**.

Evolution of the main areas of intervention in the EU budgets

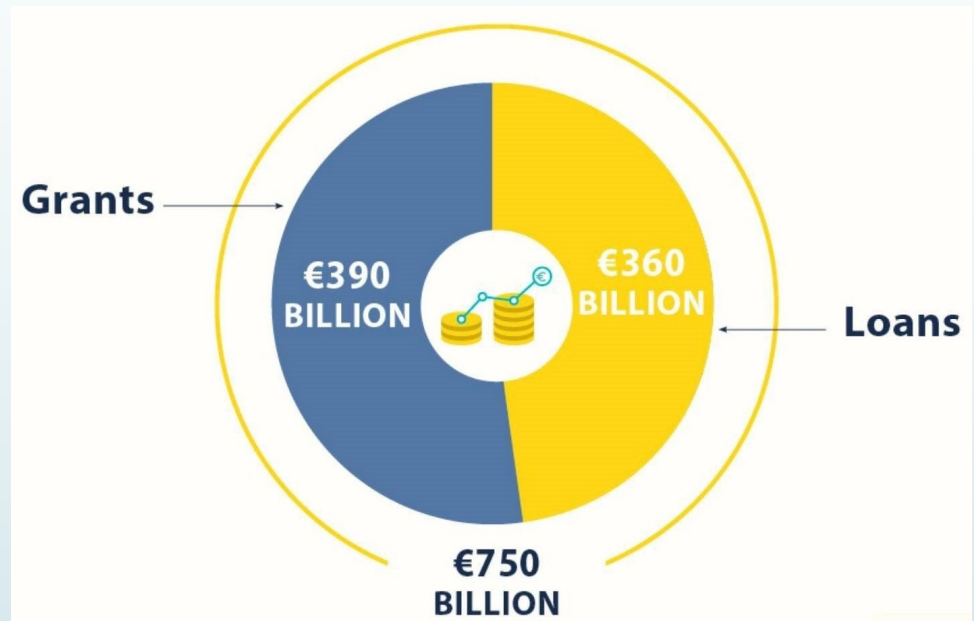
For the first time ever, the new and strengthened priorities (**Green & Digital**) have the highest share within the long-term budget, i.e. **31.9%**.

In comparison, the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) funds and the funds for economic, social and territorial cohesion account for 30.9% and 30.4% of the budget respectively.



The **European Commission**, using its strong credit rating will borrow **EUR 750 billion**. This additional funding will be channelled into the different MFF programmes and will be repaid through future EU budgets: **not before 2028 and not after 2058**.

- ❖ NGEU is a one-off emergency instrument, **put in place for a temporary period** and used exclusively for crisis response;
- ❖ The funds are channelled to MSs to support investment and reform priorities and **are used to reinforce financial programmes which are key to recovery with an end date by 31 December 2024**;
- ❖ It raises funds from the financial markets.



OVERVIEW ON THE EU BUDGET



MFF in a Nutshell

After months of intense negotiations, the **European Parliament** and the **Council** finally approved - on 16 and 17 December 2020 respectively - the EU's long-term budget.

The MFF 2021-2027 is structured in **7** headings and covers almost **40** spending programmes.

	MFF	NGEU	TOTAL
1. Single Market, Innovation and Digital	149.5	11.5	161.0
2. Cohesion, Resilience and Values	426.7	776.5	1 203.2
3. Natural Resources and Environment	401.0	18.9	419.9
4. Migration and Border Management	25.7	-	25.7
5. Security and Defence	14.9	-	14.9
6. Neighbourhood and the World	110.6	-	110.6
7. European Public Administration	82.5	-	82.5
TOTAL	1 210.9	806.9	2 017.8
TOTAL expressed in 2018 prices	1 074.3	750.0	1 824.3

(in commitments) - 2018 prices



I. SINGLE MARKET, INNOVATION AND DIGITAL

Research and Innovation:

- Horizon Europe
- Euratom Research and Training Programme
- International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (ITER)

European strategic investments:

- InvestEU Programme
- Connecting Europe Facility – Transport, Energy, Digital
- Digital Europe Programme

Single Market:

- Single Market Programme (inc. COSME)
- EU anti-fraud programme
- Cooperation in the field of taxation (FISCALIS)
- Cooperation in the field of customs (CUSTOMS)

Space:

- European space programme

Horizon Europe

Horizon Europe is the EU's key funding programme for research and innovation with a [budget of €95.5 billion](#).

The programme facilitates collaboration and strengthens the impact of research and innovation in developing, supporting and implementing EU policies while tackling global challenges.



More info:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe_en



II. COHESION, RESILIENCE AND VALUES

Regional development and cohesion:

- European Regional Development Fund (FESR)
- REACT EU
- Cohesion Fund
- Support to the Turkish-Cypriot community

Investing in people, social cohesion and values:

- Erasmus+
- European Solidarity Corps
- Justice, rights and values
- Creative Europe
- European Social Fund +

Recovery and resilience:

- Recovery and Resilience Facility (incl. Technical Support Instrument)
- Protecting of the euro against counterfeiting
- Financial and repayment – Next Generation EU
- Union Civil Protection Mechanism (rescEU)
- EU4Health

ERASMUS+

Erasmus+ is the EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport in Europe.

It has an estimated budget of **€26.2 billion**.

This is nearly double the funding compared to its predecessor programme (2014-2020). The 2021-2027 programme places a strong focus on social inclusion, the green and digital transitions, and promoting young people's participation in democratic life.



More info: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu>

ERASMUS+

Erasmus+ offers mobility and cooperation opportunities in:

- higher education
- vocational education and training
- school education (including early childhood education and care)
- adult education
- youth
- Sport

For decentralized actions: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-esc/index/>

List of the ERASMUS+ National Agencies: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/contacts/national-agencies>

For centralized actions: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>

Programme Guide ERASMUS+ (containing info about the majority of the sub-programs and their deadlines): <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-programme-guide>

ERASMUS+

<https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/opportunities>

Explore the actions available



I'm an individual

Students, staff, trainees, adult learners, exchanges and networking.

[Explore the opportunities](#) →



Applying as an organisation

Learning mobility, innovation, support for policy reform, Jean Monnet, sport.

[Explore the key actions available](#) →



Applying from outside the EU

Selected opportunities are available. See what actions you can apply for.

[Non-EU countries opportunities](#) →



Search for funding calls

Search calls by topic and date.

[Search the list of calls](#) →

CITIZENS, EQUALITY, RIGHTS AND VALUES(CERV)

The biggest-ever EU fund for promoting and protecting fundamental rights inside the EU - over **EUR 1,56 billion** for the next 7-years period). This programme aims to protect and promote Union rights and values as enshrined in the EU Treaties and the Charter of Fundamental Rights. It is built on four pillars:



1. Union values



2. Equality, rights and gender equality



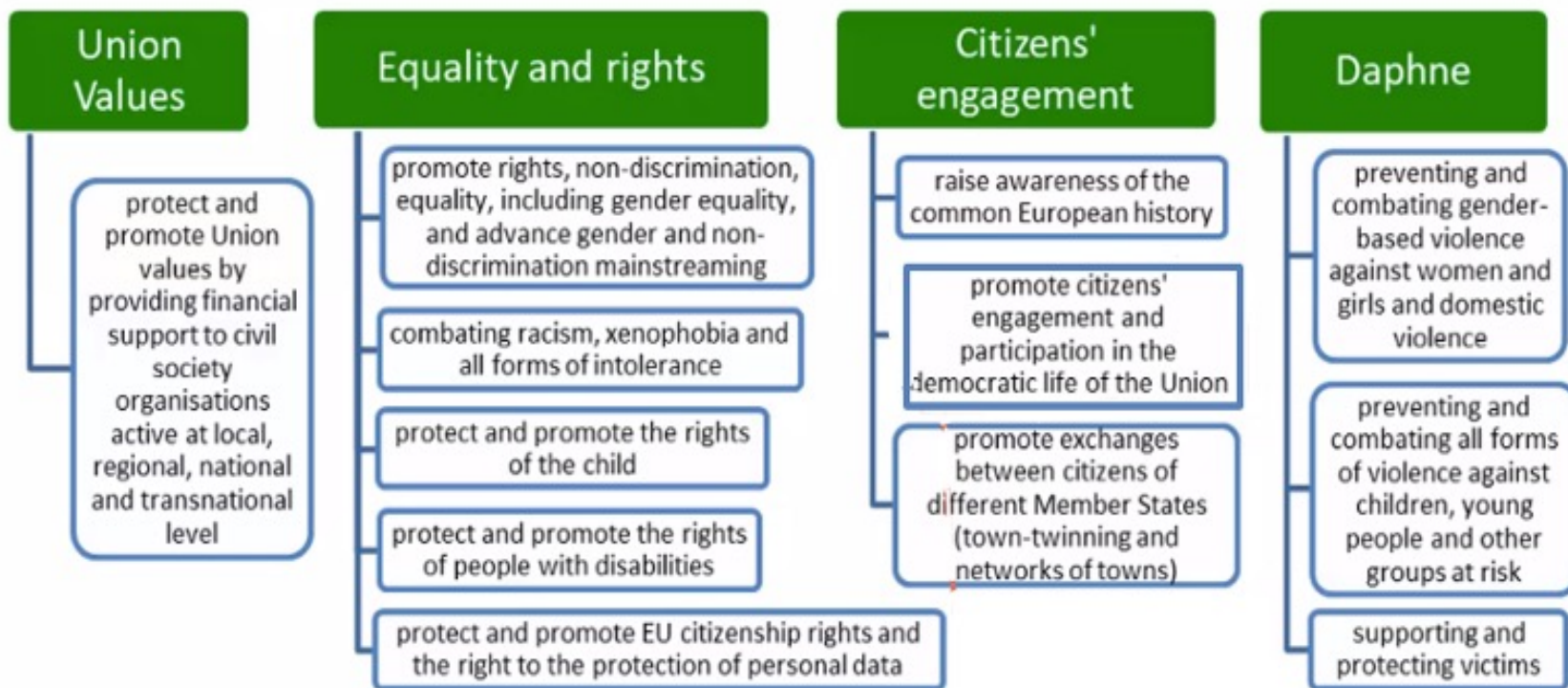
3. Citizens' participation



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CITIZENS, EQUALITY, RIGHTS AND VALUES(CERV)

CERV Programme – Four strands



CITIZENS, EQUALITY, RIGHTS AND VALUES(CERV)

For more information, please go to the website:

https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/grants/2021-2027/citizens-equality-rights-and-values-cerv_en

To search for calls for proposals and related documentation, as well as to start an application:

https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/grants/2021-2027/citizens-equality-rights-and-values-cerv_en

CREATIVE EUROPE

The main goal of the [Creative Europe](#) programme is to promote, strengthen and protect European cultural and linguistic diversity, cultural heritage and creativity, as well as the competitiveness of Europe's cultural and creative sectors.

The Creative Europe programme includes a **MEDIA** strand to support the European audiovisual industry, a **CULTURE** strand to promote other European cultural and creative sectors, and a **CROSS-SECTORAL** strand to support actions spanning across the audiovisual and other cultural and creative sectors.

More info:

<https://ec.europa.eu/culture/creative-europe>



The Creative Europe programme budget is made of **€1.842 billion** in current prices as part of the new MFF (2021-2027) and an additional top-up of € 0,6 billion in 2018 prices.

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Legend

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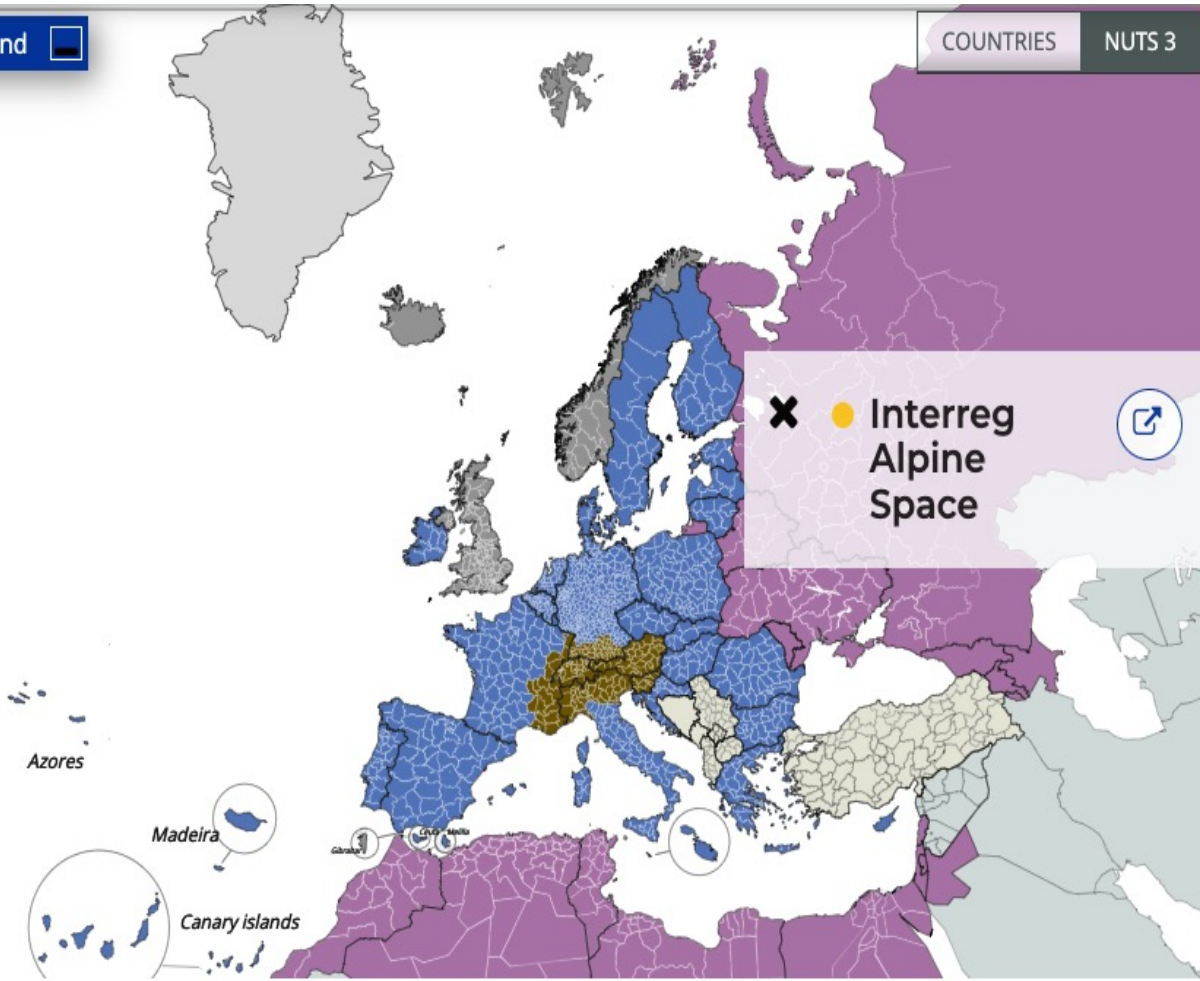
INTERREG PROGRAMMES

Cross-border	Transnational
Interregional	IPA
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INTERREG IN MY REGION

Interreg 2 Seas 🔗
Interreg ADRION (Adriatic Ionian) 🔗
Interreg ALCOTRA (France - Italy) 🔗
Interreg Alpenrhein-Bodensee-Hochrhein (DE / AT / CH / FL) 🇩🇪🇦🇹🇨🇭🇫🇷 🔗
Interreg Alpine Space 🔗
Interreg Amazonia 🔗
Interreg Amazonia (cross-border) 🔗
Interreg Atlantic Area 🔗
Interreg Austria - Czech Republic 🔗
Interreg Austria - Germany 🇩🇪🇦🇹 🔗

- Martinique
- Guadeloupe
- Guyane
- Mayotte
- Lyon
- Azores
- Madeira
- Canary Islands



X ● Interreg Alpine Space

Cross-border cooperation: INTERREG ALPINE SPACE

The Alpine Space Programme is a European transnational cooperation programme for the **Alpine region**. It provides a framework to facilitate cooperation between economic, social and environmental stakeholders in seven Alpine countries, as well as between various institutional levels such as academia, administration, the business and innovation sector, and the decision-making process.

Priorities:

1. Climate resilient and green Alpine region
2. Carbon neutral and resource sensitive Alpine region
3. Innovation and digitalization supporting a green Alpine region
4. Cooperatively managed and developed Alpine region



Transnational cooperation: INTERREG CENTRAL EUROPE

Interreg Central Europe has launched the first call for transnational project proposals late in 2021, with deadline on the 23 February 2022. This call has 4 priorities:

- (1) cooperation for a **smarter** central Europe,
- (2) Cooperation for a **greener** Central Europe,
- (3) Cooperation for a **better connected** Central Europe,
- (4) improving **governance for cooperation** in Central Europe.

The indicative budget of the call is **€72 million** with up to **80% co-financing**.



AUSTRIA	WHOLE COUNTRY
CROATIA	WHOLE COUNTRY
CZECH REPUBLIC	WHOLE COUNTRY
HUNGARY	WHOLE COUNTRY
POLAND	WHOLE COUNTRY
SLOVAKIA	WHOLE COUNTRY
SLOVENIA	WHOLE COUNTRY
GERMANY	NUTS 3 LEVEL ▾
ITALY	NUTS 3 LEVEL ▾

Interregional cooperation: INTERREG IVC 2021 - 2027

INTERREG VI C 2021-2027 covers 4 interregional cooperation programmes Interreg:

- **INTERREG EUROPE.** With its 379 Millions € funding, it pursues the Interreg policy objective of “a better cooperation governance”, more specifically to “**enhance the institutional capacity of public authorities**”. Funds will aim at «a smarter Europe, A greener Europe and a more social Europe, including support to labour markets, health care and culture and sustainable tourism”. <https://www.interregeurope.eu/>
- **URBACT.** With a budget of 84 million € funding, it focuses on supporting cities in implementing solutions to tackle the green, just and digital transitions. IPA Countries also eligible. <https://urbact.eu/>
- **INTERACT.** With a budget of 45 Million € funding, aims at strengthening the management capacity of the almost 100 Interreg programmes
- <https://www.interact-eu.net/#home>
- **ESPON.** With 48 million € funding, it aims to support policy makers at all levels by providing territorial evidence and knowledge to inform policy responses to strengthen EU territories’ resilience and recovery of from crises. <https://www.espon.eu>



III. NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

Agriculture and maritime policy:

- Europe Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF)
- European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
- European Maritime and Fisheries Fund

Environment and climate action:

- Programme for environment and climate action (LIFE)
- Just Transition Fund



LIFE is the EU's flagship programme for nature, biodiversity protection and the fight against climate change. From 2021, energy efficiency and renewable energy projects will also benefit from funding via LIFE (following up the Intelligent Energy Europe and HORIZON 2020 Energy efficiency programs). The program aims at the following:



Nature and Biodiversity

Ensure protection and restoration of Europe's nature and halting and reversing biodiversity loss



Circular Economy and Quality of Life

Facilitating the transition toward a sustainable, circular, toxic-free, energy-efficient and climate-resilient economy



Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation

Contribute to the shift towards a sustainable, energy-efficient, renewable energy-based, climate-neutral and resilient economy, thereby contributing to sustainable development.



Clean Energy Transition

It aims at facilitating the transition towards an energy-efficient, renewable energy-based, climate-neutral and -resilient economy



Calls for Proposals

Link to the calls:

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>



Support for Applicants

Useful info (recordings info days, PPTs,etc.):

https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/programmes/life/life-calls-proposals_en

LIFE National Contact Points

https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/programmes/life/life-european-countries_en

BUDGET ALLOCATION for the **2021-2027**
period: **EUR 5.432 billion**





IV. MIGRATION AND BORDER MANAGEMENT

10. Migration:

- Asylum and Migration fund



This fund will help national authorities with receiving asylum seekers and migrants in the period immediately after their arrival on EU territory. Moreover, it will help develop a common asylum and migration policy, and ensure effective returns

11. Border Management:

- Integrated Border Management Fund



This fund will help ease the shared responsibility of securing the external borders by providing financial support to Member States. At the same time, it will safeguard the free movement of people within the EU



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AMIF program: Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund

AMIF will contribute to the achievement of **four specific objectives**:

- to strengthen and develop all aspects of the **common European asylum system**, including its external dimension
 - to support **legal migration** to the Member States, including by contributing to the integration of third-country nationals
 - to contribute to **countering irregular migration** and ensuring effectiveness of return and readmission in third countries
 - to **enhance solidarity** and responsibility sharing between the Member States, in particular towards those most affected by migration and asylum challenges
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- AMIF Work program 2021 – 2022: https://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/funding/asylum-migration-and-integration-funds/asylum-migration-and-integration-fund-2021-2027_en



V. SECURITY AND DEFENCE

Security:

- Internal Security Fund
- Nuclear safety and decommissioning

Defense:

- European Defence Fund
- Military mobility



VI. NEIGHBOURHOOD AND THE WORLD

External action:

- Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI)
- Humanitarian aid
- Common foreign and security policy (CFSP)
- Overseas countries and territories (including Greenland) (OCT)

Pre-accession assistance:

- Pre-accession assistance



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**NDICI-Global Europe
The new instrument for the
EU's international
cooperation policy**



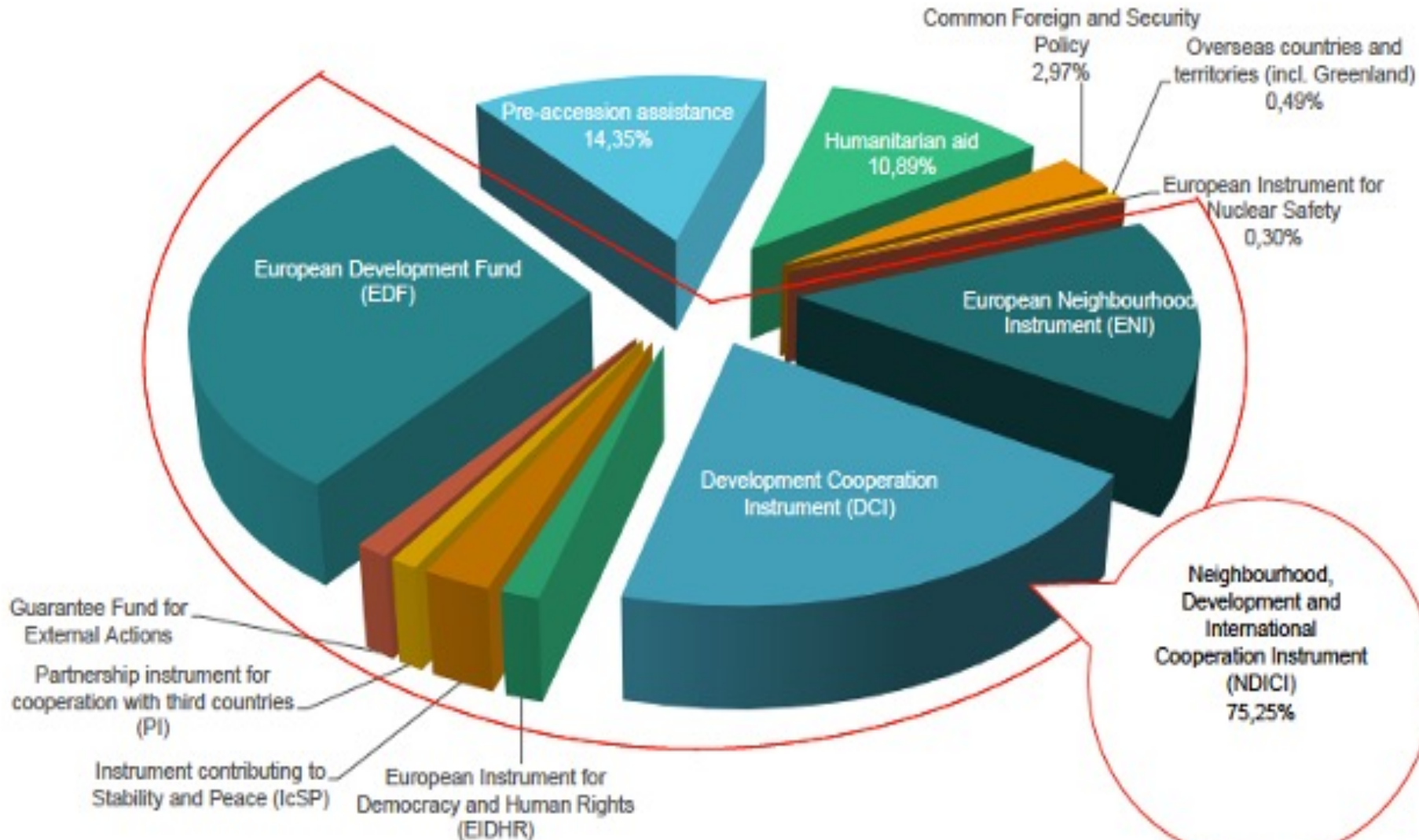
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Structure and amounts

HEADING 6: Neighbourhood and the World	Amounts in current prices (billion euro)
Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe	79.462
Instrument for Pre-accession assistance	14.162
Humanitarian aid	11.569
Common Foreign and Security Policy	2.679
Decision on the Overseas Association including Greenland	0.5
European Instrument for International Nuclear Safety Cooperation	0.3
Other	1.242
Margin	0.684
Total	110.597
European Peace Facility	5.000



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Global Europe architecture



Geographic Pillar

- Neighbourhood
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- Asia and the Pacific
- Americas and the Caribbean

Erasmus

Investment



Thematic Pillar

- Human Rights and Democracy
- Civil Society Organisations
- Peace, Stability and Conflict Prevention
- Global Challenges



Rapid Response Actions

- Crisis Response and Conflict Prevention
- Resilience and linking humanitarian and development actions
- Foreign policy needs and priorities

Emerging challenges and priorities cushion

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The portal dedicated to the search for calls in the frame of the external cooperation is the following



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with links for 'Legal notice', 'Contact on Europa', and 'Search on Europa', along with a language dropdown set to 'English (en)'. The main header features the European Commission logo and the text 'INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT' and 'Calls for Proposals and Tenders'. A breadcrumb trail reads 'European Commission > International Partnerships > Funding > Calls for Proposals and Tenders'. The main heading is 'Calls for Proposals and Tenders'. A notice states: 'Please note that the domain name 'EuropeAid' has been replaced by [International Partnerships](#). For Calls for Tenders, published after 1st of August 2020, please refer to the Funding and Tenders Portal : [Funding and Tender Opportunities Portal \(F&T Portal\)](#). Prior Information Notices (PIN) are no longer mandatory but if required they can be found via [TED eNotices](#), by selecting the criteria: "External aid programmes"'. Below this are three search tabs: 'Latest Publications' (selected), 'Search by reference', and 'Advanced Search'. A search box contains the text 'Returns the Forecast and Open calls published during the last ten days.' and a 'Search' button. At the bottom, explanatory text reads: 'The Latest Publications tab can be used to search the Forecast and Open calls published during the last ten days. The Reference Search tab can be used to search a call based on the reference of the call (i.e. 150264 for the call EuropeAid/150264/DH/ACT/Multi). The Advanced Search tab can be used to search calls based on the region, the country, the program ...'

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome&userlanguage=en>

Thank you for your attention!

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