

**Question for written answer E-006982/2016  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: EU culture budget

For the multiannual financial framework 2014-2020, a decision was taken to establish 'Creative Europe', bringing the Culture Programme 2007-2013 and the Media Programme 2007-2014 together in a single programme. The budget for this programme has been increased by 9% to EUR 1.462 billion, despite the fact that general spending has been reduced by EUR 6 billion.

This financial framework makes provision for investment amounting to EUR 325 149 million over the period 2014-2020. However, in contrast to the period 2007-2013, it is unclear what proportion of the EU structural funds will be used for cultural investment according to:

- type of structural fund;
  - beneficiary Member State;
  - area of investment in line with its final purpose (heritage, infrastructure or cultural services).
1. What proportion of the EUR 325 149 million from the EU structural funds was spent on culture in 2014?
  2. Which funds did the money come from and what was it used for (cultural heritage, infrastructure development or cultural services)?
  3. Which Member States received money from the EU structural funds for cultural investment and how much did they receive?