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On 2 May 2018, the European Commission published its proposals for a post-2020 multiannual financial framework (MFF). The MFF sets the annual limits on EU commitments in different policy areas ('headings') and on overall annual payments. The Commission's proposal for the 2021-2027 MFF amounts to €1.13 billion (2018 prices), which is 1.11 % of the EU-27's gross national income (GNI) in commitment appropriations. Increases are most visible in the areas of research and innovation, support for investment, migration and border management, and security and defence. Cuts have mainly fallen on cohesion policy (-10 %) and the EU's common agricultural policy (-15 %). In November 2018, the Parliament estimated that, in order to finance all EU priorities, the total MFF resources should increase to 1.3 % of EU-27 GNI. The Parliament's position thus amounts to €1.32 billion (2018 prices), which is 16.7 % more than that proposed by the Commission.

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In its proposal for 2021-2027, the Commission has sought to adjust the balance between predictability and responsiveness by enhancing a cluster of flexibility instruments outside the MFF heading ceilings, stating that the current EU budget is 'still too rigid'. It remains to be seen whether these proposals will overcome the difficulties experienced with implementation of the 2014-2020 MFF.

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This legislative proposal would provide for the possibility for the Commission to make proposals to the Council on sanctions measures with regard to EU funding. These include suspension of payments, suspension, reduction or even termination of legal commitments (to pay), suspension of programmes, and the transfer of money to other programmes.

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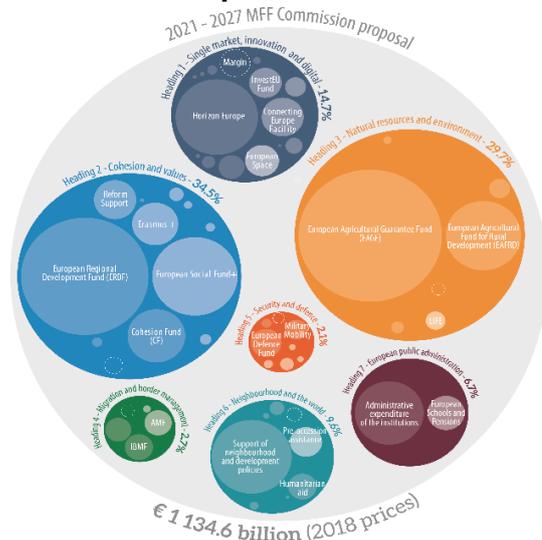
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