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to the Commission**

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Subject: Costs related to the Conference on the Future of Europe

The Conference on the Future of Europe, an initiative launched in 2019 and strongly supported by the leadership of the EU institutions, seems to be representative of the majority of European citizens only to a very limited extent. To date, its official website shows that only 51 125 people have registered on the digital platform dedicated to the Conference and 569 404 have attended the various events planned in the Member States. These numbers are clearly very low, especially when compared to the size of the Conference's organisational structure.

Against this backdrop, could the Commission answer the following questions:

1. Can it indicate the total costs incurred in organising the Conference on the Future of Europe so far, including all costs incurred in setting up the Strasbourg venue, for transport, accommodation, interpretation and translation, and all other types of expenditure related to the Conference itself?
2. Can the Commission clearly indicate which EU budget headings these resources have come from and how they have been divided between the institutions involved?
3. Can it provide an estimate of the expected costs between now and the conclusion of the Conference on 9 May 2022?