

MEPs express concern over budget, climate change and Brexit negotiations



Jean-Claude Juncker and Michel Barnier discuss Brexit and budgetary issues with MEPs ahead of next week's EU summit©EP

Ahead of next week's EU Summit, MEPs call for urgent action to safeguard EU programme funding, to tackle climate change and to avoid a 'no-deal' Brexit.

MEPs called for a solution on the next long-term EU investment budget and warned against disrupting EU-funded programmes, in the debate on the upcoming October Summit with the Finnish Council Presidency's Tytti Tuppurainen, Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker and Chief EU negotiator on Brexit Michel Barnier.

They also called for timely solutions on climate change to meet the Paris Agreement goals.

On Brexit, most MEPs condemned the current 'blame game' and the UK government's stance and called for a solution to avoid a disastrous no-deal Brexit.

[Opening statements](#) by Tytti Tuppurainen, on behalf of the Finnish Presidency of the Council; Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the European Commission; and Michel Barnier, Chief Negotiator of the EU

[MEPs debate, first round](#) - to view video replays of statements by specific speakers, click on a name.

[Closing statement by Tytti Tuppurainen](#), on behalf of the Finnish Presidency of the Council.

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Further information

[Draft Agenda of the European Council 17-18 October 2019](#)

[European Parliament resolution on Brexit \(18.09. 2019\)](#)

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