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Joint statement by the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission

The European Parliament, the Council and the Commission agree that the WiFi4EU initiative should have meaningful impact and **scalability**. To this end, they note that if an increase of EUR 25 000 000 to EUR 50 000 000 of the financial envelope for the implementation of CEF in the telecommunications sector cannot be secured in full, the Commission might propose reallocations within that envelope in order to facilitate overall funding for the promotion of internet connectivity in local communities of EUR 120 000 000.