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GENERAL BUDGET - 2026

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TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° **DEC 18/2026**

INTRODUCTION

Every year, after reviewing actual implementation and expected use of payment appropriations to the end of the financial year, the Commission proposes the so-called "Global Transfer", which is designed to rebalance payment appropriations for the current budget year. As far as possible, the shortfall in appropriations identified is met by internal transfers within the relevant budget chapters. The Global Transfer proposal relates to readjustments that cannot be met by such internal transfers.

The Global Transfer, like any other transfer, must be neutral in its budgetary effect.

The Global Transfer proposal for 2026 relates to payment appropriations amounting to EUR 1,1 billion, corresponding to 0,6% of the total authorised payment appropriations in the 2026 budget, as shown in the table below.

Budget Year	Value of the Global Transfer (million euro)
2018	952,7
2019	1 077,6
2020	595,4
2021	2 410,9
2022	1 950,9
2023	1 051,1
2024	2 870,3
2025	802,1
2026	1 123,6

In total, 85 budget lines are concerned (57 for reinforcement and 28 for reductions), compared to 60 budget lines (27 for reinforcement and 33 for reductions) included in the Global Transfer presented in 2025.

Payment appropriations made available within a heading have been used in the first place to cover the needs in that same heading. At the same time, the review referred to in the first paragraph above also identified additional payment needs which could not be provided in the Global Transfer, for which the Commission intends to present a Draft Amending Budget 3/2026 shortly.

The proposed reinforcements and reductions by heading are as follows:

Headings		Global Transfer (euro)		
		Increase	Decrease	Net change
1.	Single Market, Innovation and Digital	277 381 683	-591 903 884	-314 522 201
2.	Cohesion, Resilience and Values	296 100 000	-19 504 330	276 595 670
2a	<i>Economic, social and territorial cohesion</i>	86 000 000	-272 031	85 727 969
2b	<i>Resilience and Values</i>	210 100 000	-19 232 298	190 867 702
3.	Natural Resources and Environment	261 509 849	-7 461 431	254 048 417
4.	Migration and Border Management	176 000 000	-104 210 000	71 790 000
5.	Security and Defence	108 528 516	-79 190 516	29 338 000
6.	Neighbourhood and the World	0	-321 355 482	-321 355 482
7.	European Public Administration	0	0	0
S	Reserves and special instruments	4 105 595	0	4 105 595
Total		1 123 625 643	-1 123 625 643	0

Headings/programmes			Global Transfer (euro)		
			Increase	Decrease	Net change
1.	Single Market, Innovation and Digital		277 381 683	-591 903 884	-314 522 201
	<i>Of which</i>	<i>1.0.1PPPA Pilot projects and preparatory actions</i>	0	-1 608 546	-1 608 546
		<i>1.0.3PPPA Pilot projects and preparatory actions</i>	0	-3 225 605	-3 225 605
		<i>1.0.4PPPA Pilot projects and preparatory actions</i>	0	-13 170 000	-13 170 000
		<i>1.0.11 Horizon Europe</i>	264 211 683	0	264 211 683
		<i>1.0.21 InvestEU Fund</i>	0	-13 091 621	-13 091 621
		<i>1.0.23 Digital Europe Programme</i>	0	-54 145 543	-54 145 543
		<i>1.0.33 Cooperation in the field of taxation (Fiscalis)</i>	0	-5 665 236	-5 665 236
		<i>1.0.34 Cooperation in the field of customs (Customs)</i>	0	-28 178 457	-28 178 457
		<i>1.0.41 European Space Programme</i>	13 170 000	0	13 170 000
		<i>1.0.221 Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport</i>	0	-249 000 000	-249 000 000
		<i>1.0.223 Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Digital</i>	0	-223 818 877	-223 818 877
2.	Cohesion, Resilience and Values		296 100 000	-19 504 330	276 595 670
	<i>Of which</i>	<i>2.1.1PPPA Pilot projects and preparatory actions</i>	0	-83 979	-83 979
		<i>2.1.3PPPA Pilot projects and preparatory actions</i>	0	-188 052	-188 052
		<i>2.1.122 Cohesion Fund (CF), contribution to the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport</i>	86 000 000	0	86 000 000
		<i>2.2.2SPEC Actions financed under the prerogatives of the Commission and specific competences conferred to the Commission</i>	0	-2 200 000	-2 200 000
		<i>2.2.13 Support to the Turkish-Cypriot Community</i>	500 000	0	500 000
		<i>2.2.21 European Recovery and Resilience Facility (incl. Technical Support Instrument)</i>	0	-10 000 000	-10 000 000
		<i>2.2.22 Protection of the euro against counterfeiting (the 'Pericles IV</i>	0	-136 000	-136 000

Headings/programmes			Global Transfer (euro)		
			Increase	Decrease	Net change
		programme')			
		2.2.24 Union Civil Protection Mechanism (RescEU)	0	-6 896 298	-6 896 298
		2.2.32 Erasmus+	183 000 000	0	183 000 000
		2.2.33 European Solidarity Corps (ESC)	10 000 000	0	10 000 000
		2.2.351 Justice	9 300 000	0	9 300 000
		2.2.352 Rights and Values	7 300 000	0	7 300 000
3.	Natural Resources and Environment		261 509 849	-7 461 431	254 048 417
	Of which	3.1.11 European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF)	6 752 833	0	6 752 833
		3.2.1PPPA Pilot projects and preparatory actions	305 975	-1 731 431	-1 425 456
		3.2.2SPEC Actions financed under the prerogatives of the Commission and specific competences conferred to the Commission	0	-5 730 000	-5 730 000
		3.2.12 European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)	228 994 701	0	228 994 701
		3.2.21 Programme for Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	25 456 340	0	25 456 340
4.	Migration and Border Management		176 000 000	-104 210 000	71 790 000
	Of which	4.0.1DAG Decentralised agencies	0	-15 000 000	-15 000 000
		4.0.2DAG Decentralised agencies	126 000 000	0	126 000 000
		4.0.211 Integrated Border Management Fund (IBMF) - Instrument for border management and visa (BMVI)	50 000 000	0	50 000 000
		4.0.212 Integrated Border Management Fund (IBMF) - Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment (CCEi)	0	-89 210 000	-89 210 000
5.	Security and Defence		108 528 516	-79 190 516	29 338 000
	Of which	5.0.1DAG Decentralised agencies	0	-2 000 000	-2 000 000
		5.0.13 Nuclear Safety and decommissioning (incl. For Bulgaria and Slovakia)	0	-11 822 000	-11 822 000
		5.0.24 Defence Industrial Reinforcement Instrument	0	-12 489 528	-12 489 528
		5.0.211 European Defence Fund (Research)	34 857 935	0	34 857 935
		5.0.212 European Defence Fund (Non Research)	73 670 581	0	73 670 581
		5.0.251 European Defence Industry Programme	0	-33 793 208	-33 793 208
		5.0.252 Ukraine Support Instrument	0	-19 085 780	-19 085 780
6.	Neighbourhood and the World		0	-321 355 482	-321 355 482
	Of which	6.0.1OTH Other actions	0	-59 974 305	-59 974 305
		6.0.12 Humanitarian Aid (HUMA)	0	-174 487 869	-174 487 869
		6.0.14 Overseas Countries and Territories (OCT) (including Greenland)	0	-46 000 000	-46 000 000
		6.0.21 Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA III)	0	-35 893 308	-35 893 308
		6.0.112 European Instrument for International Nuclear Safety Cooperation (INSC)	0	-5 000 000	-5 000 000
S.	Solidarity mechanisms within and outside the Union (Special instruments)		4 105 595	0	4 105 595
	Of which	S.0.2 European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF)	4 105 595	0	4 105 595

Headings/programmes	Global Transfer (euro)		
	Increase	Decrease	Net change
Total	1 123 625 643	-1 123 625 643	0

2. Reductions and reinforcements of payment appropriations

The main reinforcements and reductions (greater than EUR 25 million) are summarised in this section.

2.1 Reductions

The transfer request proposes to reduce the level of payment appropriations for **57 budget lines** for a total amount of **EUR 1,1 billion**. The main lines affected (i.e. for which changes are above EUR 25 million), are presented below by heading:

2.1.1 Heading 1 – Single Market, Innovation and Digital

- EUR 179,0 million for *02 03 01 - Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Transport*. As a result of delays in the submission of several high-value cost claims, as well as delays in the implementation of some projects and the submission of interim payment claims for significantly lower amounts than planned, EUR 179,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

- EUR 223,8 million for *02 03 03 01 - Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Digital*. As a result of cancelled actions (EUR 165 million), as well as lower and delayed cost claims (EUR 30 million), lower payment estimates (EUR 13 million), and the suspension of grant agreements (EUR 16 million), under-implementation is identified. Therefore, a total of EUR 223,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

- EUR 70,0 million for *02 03 99 01 - Completion of previous Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Transport activities (prior to 2021)*. As several projects have been postponed and might not be fully implemented, the related cost claims amounts have decreased. Therefore, EUR 70 million can be made available.

- EUR 28,2 million for *03 05 01 - Cooperation in the field of customs (Customs)*. An amount of EUR 28,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available following delays in the signature of data hub contracts, delays in implementation of grant agreements and a reduction of payment needs linked to trainings.

2.1.2 Heading 4 – Migration and Border Management

- EUR 89,2 million for *11 03 01 - Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment*. EUR 89,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available following delays in the implementation of the second call for the Customs Control Equipment Instrument (CCEI), mainly due to Member States extending the duration of grants and their difficulties in procuring supplies. In addition, the launch of the third call has been postponed, resulting in the deferral of the related pre-financing payments (50% of the call) to 2027.

2.1.3 Heading 5 – Security and Defence

- EUR 33,8 million for *13 08 01 - European Defence Industry Programme*. The new European Defence Industry Programme (EDIP) was adopted only at the very end of 2025. While several activities were committed in 2026 with associated pre-financing, the first grant agreements for some of the calls launched in 2026 will be signed in early 2027, with the first payments taking place only that year. Therefore, EUR 33,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available in 2026.

2.1.4 Heading 6 – Neighbourhood and the World

- EUR 174,5 million for *14 03 01 - Humanitarian aid*. Payments which were originally scheduled towards the end of 2026 to ensure the liquidity of humanitarian partner organisations, have now been postponed to early 2027. For 2027, sufficient payment appropriations have been requested to meet those payment obligations. Therefore, EUR 174,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

- EUR 32,0 million for *14 05 02 - Overseas countries and territories other than Greenland*. Some contracts under the Territorial and Regional programmes were postponed. The Financing Agreement for a Territorial programme in Wallis and Futuna was concluded only in December 2025, with the first disbursement made in April 2026 and the second one planned for 2027, contrary to initial planning. The Financing Agreements for Regional programmes in the Pacific and in the Caribbeans were signed in 2025 but their contracting will occur only in late 2026 or early 2027. Therefore, EUR 32,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

- EUR 60,0 million for *14 20 03 01 - Macro-financial assistance (MFA) grants*. As no Macro-financial assistance (MFA) operations with a grant component are envisaged in 2026, EUR 60,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

- EUR 35,9 million for *15 02 02 01 - Preparation for accession*. The payments for some investment and technical assistance projects implemented by International Financial Institutions have been postponed from 2026 to 2027. Therefore, EUR 35,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

2.2 Reinforcements

The transfer request proposes to reinforce **28 budget lines** for a total amount of **EUR 1,1 billion**. The main lines affected (i.e. for which changes are above EUR 25 million) are presented below by heading:

2.2.1 Heading 1 – Single Market, Innovation and Digital

+ EUR 95,4 million for *01 02 02 40 - Cluster 'Digital, Industry and Space'*. The increase of payment appropriations is requested due to the progress review of the secure connectivity contract, which increased the payment needs of the European Space Agency. Furthermore, faster processing of interim and final payments, earlier submission of cost claims, amendments to reporting periods, and a shorter-than-expected time-to-grant for the 2026 calls brings some expenditure forward into 2026. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 95,4 million is requested.

+ EUR 83,6 million for *01 02 02 50 - Cluster 'Climate, Energy and Mobility'*. Additional payment appropriations are requested to cover the payment needs until the end of the year. This is mainly due to an increase in payment requests following the submission of interim payment reports, as well as higher pre-financing requirements for the 2025 calls, as a consequence of several projects with a duration of 48 months and two reporting periods instead of three. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 83,6 million is requested.

+ EUR 85,1 million for *01 02 02 60 - Cluster 'Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment'*. The increase of payment appropriations is requested to finance the actions envisaged under Cluster 6 of Horizon Europe. This is mainly due to the revised 2026 Work Programme and major delays in the submission of interim reports in 2025, with the related payments being postponed to 2026. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 85,1 million is requested.

2.2.2 Heading 2a – Economic, Social and territorial cohesion

+ EUR 71,0 million for *05 03 99 03 - Completion of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Cohesion Fund (CF) allocation (2014-2020)*. The remaining payment appropriations in the voted budget 2026 are insufficient to cover the needs until the end of the year. Several projects that were initially considered to be at risk were eventually fully implemented. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 71,0 million in payment appropriations is requested.

2.2.3 Heading 2b – Resilience and Values

+ EUR 153,0 million for *07 03 01 01 - Promoting learning mobility of individuals and groups, and cooperation, inclusion and equity, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training — Indirect management*. The payment appropriations in the 2026 voted budget under the Erasmus+ Education and Training budget line are insufficient to meet the expected financial obligations until the end of 2026. This shortfall is mainly due to higher-than-anticipated payment needs of National Agencies, reflecting the continuing strong demand and accelerated absorption trends of the programme. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 153 million in payment appropriations is requested to ensure a smooth implementation of the activities until the end of 2026.

+ EUR 30,0 million for *07 03 02 - Promoting non-formal and informal learning mobility and active participation among young people, and cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of youth*. The payment appropriations in the 2026 voted budget under the Erasmus+ Youth budget line are insufficient to meet the expected financial obligations until the end of 2026. This shortfall is mainly due to higher-than-anticipated payment needs of National Agencies, reflecting the continuing strong demand and accelerated absorption trends of the programme. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 30 million in payment appropriations is requested to ensure smooth implementation of activities until the end of 2026.

2.2.4 Heading 3 – Natural Resources and Environment

+ EUR 229,0 million for *08 03 01 01 - Rural development types of interventions under the CAP Strategic Plans*. The August Member States' forecasts for rural development types of interventions under the CAP Strategic Plans shows a deficit in payment appropriations by year-end. Adjusting these forecasts by applying an accuracy rate based on historical data, a shortfall in payment appropriations is identified. A reinforcement of EUR 229,0 million is requested in this transfer.

2.2.5 Heading 4 – Migration and Border Management

+ EUR 50,0 million for 11 02 01 - *Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy*. A reinforcement of EUR 50,0 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover additional financing needs due to higher-than-expected interim payments forecasted by the Member States under shared management.

+ EUR 50,0 million for 11 10 01 - *European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex)*. Due to operational pressures and increased demand by Member States for Frontex's services, particularly in the areas of return and reintegration, a reinforcement of the EU contribution to Frontex of EUR 50,0 million in payment appropriations is requested in order to support the return and reintegration of more than 65 000 third-country nationals by the end of 2026, and to help address the budgetary needs arising from the volatile situation at the external borders, especially the recent crisis in Ceuta.

+ EUR 76,0 million for 11 10 02 - *European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA)*. A reinforcement of EUR 76,0 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover the agency's needs arising from several factors. Among these are deliverables related to adapting the Schengen Information System (SIS) to Interoperability (IO), through the European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) and the European Criminal Records Information System on Third-Country Nationals (ECRIS-TCN); the acceleration of the completion of deliverables related to the provisioning of common shared platform compliant hardware for the revised Visa Information System (VIS); the entry into operation of the new European Dactyloscopy Database (Eurodac), the Entry/Exit System (EES), ETIAS and ECRIS-TCN; and meeting milestones for adapting systems to interoperability components, infrastructure and testing activities.

2.2.6 Heading 5 – Security and Defence

+ EUR 73,7 million for 13 02 01 - *Capability development*. As the payments related to some 2025 milestones shifted to 2026, a reinforcement of EUR 73,7 million in payment appropriations is needed in 2026.

+ EUR 34,9 million for 13 03 01 - *Defence research*. As the payments related to some 2025 milestones shifted to 2026, a reinforcement of EUR 34,9 million in payment appropriations is needed in 2026.

3. Proposed transfers

All proposed transfers, for either an increase or reduction in appropriations, are summarised in the tables in budget nomenclature order. The table indicates:

- the initial budget appropriations, including amending budgets as of 16 September 2026;
- transfers as of 16 September 2026;
- the implementation as of 16 September 2026;
- the total remaining available appropriations;
- proposed transfer (increase or reduction);
- percentage change, compared to the initial budget (including any amending budgets);
- the balance on the line after the proposed transfer.

For reductions or reinforcements of the authorised appropriations on the budget line, detailed justifications are provided in the enclosure.

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CHAPTER	01 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	01 20 01	Pilot projects	Payments	-1 512 501
	01 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	01 20 02	Preparatory actions	Payments	-96 045
CHAPTER	02 02	InvestEU Fund	ITEM	02 02 99 01	Completion of previous programmes in the field of small and medium-sized enterprises, including the Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises (COSME) (prior to 2021) - Financial instruments	Payments	-8 241 990
	02 02	InvestEU Fund	ITEM	02 02 99 03	Completion of previous research programmes (prior to 2021) - Financial instruments	Payments	-4 000 000
	02 02	InvestEU Fund	ITEM	02 02 99 07	Completion of previous Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - ICT programmes (prior to 2021) - Financial instruments	Payments	-849 631
CHAPTER	02 03	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)	ARTICLE	02 03 01	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport	Payments	-179 000 000
	02 03	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)	ITEM	02 03 03 01	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Digital	Payments	-223 818 877
	02 03	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)	ITEM	02 03 99 01	Completion of previous Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport activities (prior to 2021)	Payments	-70 000 000
CHAPTER	02 04	Digital Europe Programme	ITEM	02 04 02 10	High-performance computing	Payments	-21 699 516
	02 04	Digital Europe Programme	ITEM	02 04 02 11	High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC)	Payments	-1 599 203
	02 04	Digital Europe Programme	ARTICLE	02 04 03	Artificial intelligence	Payments	-19 600 000
	02 04	Digital Europe Programme	ITEM	02 04 05 01	Deployment	Payments	-11 246 824
CHAPTER	03 04	Cooperation in the field of taxation (Fiscalis)	ARTICLE	03 04 01	Cooperation in the field of taxation (Fiscalis)	Payments	-5 665 236

CHAPTER	03 05	Cooperation in the field of customs (Customs)	ARTICLE	03 05 01	Cooperation in the field of customs (Customs)	Payments	-28 178 457
CHAPTER	03 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	03 20 01	Pilot projects	Payments	-671 616
	03 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	03 20 02	Preparatory actions	Payments	-2 553 989
CHAPTER	04 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	04 20 01	Pilot projects	Payments	-150 000
	04 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	04 20 02	Preparatory actions	Payments	-13 020 000
CHAPTER	05 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	05 20 01	Pilot projects	Payments	-83 979
CHAPTER	06 02	Recovery and Resilience Facility and Technical Support Instrument	ARTICLE	06 02 02	Technical Support Instrument	Payments	-10 000 000
CHAPTER	06 03	Protection of the euro against counterfeiting	ARTICLE	06 03 01	Protection of the euro against counterfeiting	Payments	-136 000
CHAPTER	06 05	Union Civil Protection Mechanism	ITEM	06 05 99 01	Completion of previous programmes and actions in the field of civil protection within the Union (prior to 2021)	Payments	-6 896 298
CHAPTER	06 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ITEM	06 20 04 01	Coordination and surveillance of, and communication on, the economic and monetary union, including the euro	Payments	-2 200 000
CHAPTER	07 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ITEM	07 20 01 02	Pilot projects	Payments	-188 052
CHAPTER	08 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	08 20 01	Pilot projects	Payments	-1 731 431
CHAPTER	09 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ITEM	09 20 04 01	Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism	Payments	-5 730 000
CHAPTER	10 10	Decentralised Agencies	ARTICLE	10 10 01	European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA)	Payments	-15 000 000
CHAPTER	11 03	Integrated Border Management Fund (IBMF) - Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment	ARTICLE	11 03 01	Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment	Payments	-89 210 000
CHAPTER	12 04	Nuclear Safety and decommissioning, including for Bulgaria and Slovakia	ARTICLE	12 04 02	Bohunice programme	Payments	-8 922 000

	12 04	Nuclear Safety and decommissioning, including for Bulgaria and Slovakia	ARTICLE	12 04 03	Decommissioning and Waste Management Programme of the Joint Research Centre (JRC)	Payments	-2 900 000
CHAPTER	12 10	Decentralised agencies	ARTICLE	12 10 01	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)	Payments	-2 000 000
CHAPTER	13 07	Defence Industrial Reinforcement Instrument	ARTICLE	13 07 01	Defence Industrial Reinforcement Instrument	Payments	-12 489 528
CHAPTER	13 08	European Defence Industry Programme	ARTICLE	13 08 01	European Defence Industry Programme	Payments	-33 793 208
	13 08	European Defence Industry Programme	ARTICLE	13 08 02	Ukraine Support Instrument	Payments	-19 085 780
CHAPTER	14 03	Humanitarian Aid	ARTICLE	14 03 01	Humanitarian aid	Payments	-174 487 869
CHAPTER	14 05	Overseas countries and territories	ARTICLE	14 05 02	Overseas countries and territories other than Greenland	Payments	-32 000 000
	14 05	Overseas countries and territories	ARTICLE	14 05 03	Greenland	Payments	-14 000 000
CHAPTER	14 06	European Instrument for International Nuclear Safety Cooperation (INSC)	ARTICLE	14 06 01	Nuclear safety, radiation protection and safeguards	Payments	-2 000 000
	14 06	European Instrument for International Nuclear Safety Cooperation (INSC)	ITEM	14 06 99 01	Completion of previous actions in the field of nuclear safety cooperation (prior to 2021)	Payments	-3 000 000
CHAPTER	14 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ITEM	14 20 03 01	Macro-financial assistance (MFA) grants	Payments	-59 974 305
CHAPTER	15 02	Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III)	ITEM	15 02 02 01	Preparation for accession	Payments	-35 893 308

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CHAPTER	01 02	Horizon Europe	ITEM	01 02 02 40	Cluster `Digital, Industry and Space-	Payments	95 433 922
	01 02	Horizon Europe	ITEM	01 02 02 50	Cluster `Climate, Energy and Mobility-	Payments	83 646 036
	01 02	Horizon Europe	ITEM	01 02 02 60	Cluster `Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment-	Payments	85 131 725
CHAPTER	04 02	Union Space Programme	ARTICLE	04 02 02	Copernicus	Payments	13 170 000

CHAPTER	05 03	Cohesion Fund (CF)	ARTICLE	05 03 03	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport - Cohesion Fund (CF) allocation	Payments	15 000 000
	05 03	Cohesion Fund (CF)	ITEM	05 03 99 03	Completion of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Cohesion Fund (CF) allocation (2014-2020)	Payments	71 000 000
CHAPTER	05 04	Support to the Turkish Cypriot community	ARTICLE	05 04 01	Financial support for encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community	Payments	500 000
CHAPTER	07 03	Erasmus+	ITEM	07 03 01 01	Promoting learning mobility of individuals and groups, and cooperation, inclusion and equity, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training - Indirect management	Payments	153 000 000
	07 03	Erasmus+	ARTICLE	07 03 02	Promoting non-formal and informal learning mobility and active participation among young people, and cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of youth	Payments	30 000 000
CHAPTER	07 04	European Solidarity Corps	ARTICLE	07 04 01	European Solidarity Corps	Payments	10 000 000
CHAPTER	07 06	Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values	ARTICLE	07 06 01	Equality and rights	Payments	3 500 000
	07 06	Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values	ARTICLE	07 06 03	Daphne	Payments	3 800 000
CHAPTER	07 07	Justice	ARTICLE	07 07 01	Promoting judicial cooperation	Payments	1 900 000
	07 07	Justice	ARTICLE	07 07 02	Supporting judicial training	Payments	6 000 000
	07 07	Justice	ARTICLE	07 07 03	Promoting effective access to justice	Payments	1 400 000
CHAPTER	08 02	European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF)	ITEM	08 02 06 03	European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) - Operational technical assistance	Payments	6 752 833
CHAPTER	08 03	European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)	ITEM	08 03 01 01	Rural development types of interventions under the CAP Strategic Plans	Payments	228 994 701
CHAPTER	08 20	Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions	ARTICLE	08 20 01	Pilot projects	Payments	305 975
CHAPTER	09 02	Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	ARTICLE	09 02 01	Nature and biodiversity	Payments	15 500 000
	09 02	Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	ARTICLE	09 02 02	Circular economy and quality of life	Payments	4 000 000

	09 02	Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	ARTICLE	09 02 04	Clean energy transition	Payments	3 500 000
	09 02	Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	ITEM	09 02 99 01	Completion of previous programmes in the field of environment and climate action (LIFE) (prior to 2021)	Payments	2 456 340
CHAPTER	11 02	Integrated Border Management Fund (IBMF) - Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy	ARTICLE	11 02 01	Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy	Payments	50 000 000
CHAPTER	11 10	Decentralised agencies	ARTICLE	11 10 01	European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex)	Payments	50 000 000
	11 10	Decentralised agencies	ARTICLE	11 10 02	European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA)	Payments	76 000 000
CHAPTER	13 02	European Defence Fund (EDF) - Non-research	ARTICLE	13 02 01	Capability development	Payments	73 670 581
CHAPTER	13 03	European Defence Fund (EDF) - Research	ARTICLE	13 03 01	Defence research	Payments	34 857 935
CHAPTER	16 02	Mobilisation of solidarity mechanisms (special instruments)	ARTICLE	16 02 02	European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)	Payments	4 105 595

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01 02 02 40	Cluster `Digital, Industry and Space-	1 273 122 309	44 906 210	1 126 130 063	191 898 455	95 433 922	7,50%	287 332 377
01 02 02 50	Cluster `Climate, Energy and Mobility-	1 404 051 164	14 778 732	741 185 705	677 644 192	83 646 036	5,96%	761 290 228
01 02 02 60	Cluster `Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment-	979 953 518	19 483 423	797 384 166	202 052 775	85 131 725	8,69%	287 184 500
01 20 01	Pilot projects	8 466 198	30	4 465 563	4 000 665	-1 512 501	-17,87%	2 488 164
01 20 02	Preparatory actions	12 910 543	-30	6 592 531	6 317 982	-96 045	-0,74%	6 221 937
02 02 99 01	Completion of previous programmes in the field of small and medium-sized enterprises, including the Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises (COSME) (prior to 2021) - Financial instruments	40 000 000	0	31 165 925	8 834 075	-8 241 990	-20,60%	592 085
02 02 99 03	Completion of previous research programmes (prior to 2021) - Financial instruments	18 900 000	-5 000 000	2 696 549	11 203 451	-4 000 000	-21,16%	7 203 451
02 02 99 07	Completion of previous Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - ICT programmes (prior to 2021) - Financial instruments	10 000 000	0	9 150 369	849 631	-849 631	-8,50%	0
02 03 01	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport	892 125 000	0	404 140 231	487 984 769	-179 000 000	-20,06%	308 984 769
02 03 03 01	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Digital	334 050 212	-7 049 527	66 061 259	260 939 426	-223 818 877	-67,00%	37 120 549
02 03 99 01	Completion of previous Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport activities (prior to 2021)	668 500 000	0	424 834 015	243 665 985	-70 000 000	-10,47%	173 665 985
02 04 02 10	High-performance computing	40 566 813	0	556 608	40 010 205	-21 699 516	-53,49%	18 310 689
02 04 02 11	High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC)	471 564 292	0	469 564 292	2 000 000	-1 599 203	-0,34%	400 797
02 04 03	Artificial intelligence	253 412 747	0	105 706 921	147 705 826	-19 600 000	-7,73%	128 105 826
02 04 05 01	Deployment	177 331 022	0	96 341 162	80 989 860	-11 246 824	-6,34%	69 743 036
03 04 01	Cooperation in the field of taxation (Fiscalis)	36 947 639	-3 694 764	20 991 389	12 261 486	-5 665 236	-15,33%	6 596 250
03 05 01	Cooperation in the field of customs (Customs)	154 504 859	-8 121 543	86 263 426	60 119 889	-28 178 457	-18,24%	31 941 433
03 20 01	Pilot projects	10 554 122	964 801	5 157 654	6 361 269	-671 616	-6,36%	5 689 653
03 20 02	Preparatory actions	6 378 426	-923 293	1 717 528	3 737 605	-2 553 989	-40,04%	1 183 615
04 02 02	Copernicus	670 000 000	26 695 623	597 272 664	99 422 959	13 170 000	1,97%	112 592 959
04 20 01	Pilot projects	2 810 000	446 500	1 074 976	2 181 524	-150 000	-5,34%	2 031 524
04 20 02	Preparatory actions	13 350 000	0	0	13 350 000	-13 020 000	-97,53%	330 000
05 03 03	Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Transport - Cohesion Fund (CF) allocation	729 000 000	0	625 494 627	103 505 373	15 000 000	2,06%	118 505 373
05 03 99 03	Completion of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) - Cohesion Fund (CF) allocation (2014-2020)	950 220 000	71 000 000	933 009 324	88 210 676	71 000 000	7,47%	159 210 676
05 04 01	Financial support for encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community	33 125 000	-651 521	29 280 586	3 192 893	500 000	1,51%	3 692 893

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05 20 01	Pilot projects	2 857 943	206 620	2 122 641	941 922	-83 979	-2,94%	857 943
06 02 02	Technical Support Instrument	112 423 515	0	78 318 740	34 104 775	-10 000 000	-8,89%	24 104 775
06 03 01	Protection of the euro against counterfeiting	916 200	0	564 883	351 317	-136 000	-14,84%	215 317
06 05 99 01	Completion of previous programmes and actions in the field of civil protection within the Union (prior to 2021)	19 500 000	-117 483	879 578	18 502 939	-6 896 298	-35,37%	11 606 641
06 20 04 01	Coordination and surveillance of, and communication on, the economic and monetary union, including the euro	15 634 500	0	8 002 227	7 632 273	-2 200 000	-14,07%	5 432 273
07 03 01 01	Promoting learning mobility of individuals and groups, and cooperation, inclusion and equity, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training - Indirect management	2 986 470 000	-3 000 000	2 551 565 318	431 904 682	153 000 000	5,12%	584 904 682
07 03 02	Promoting non-formal and informal learning mobility and active participation among young people, and cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of youth	411 000 000	0	372 920 901	38 079 099	30 000 000	7,30%	68 079 099
07 04 01	European Solidarity Corps	131 000 000	0	117 697 557	13 302 443	10 000 000	7,63%	23 302 443
07 06 01	Equality and rights	33 643 288	0	23 820 774	9 822 514	3 500 000	10,40%	13 322 514
07 06 03	Daphne	20 745 778	4 850 000	23 355 897	2 239 881	3 800 000	18,32%	6 039 881
07 07 01	Promoting judicial cooperation	9 205 647	0	3 982 441	5 223 206	1 900 000	20,64%	7 123 206
07 07 02	Supporting judicial training	10 432 788	0	4 611 607	5 821 181	6 000 000	57,51%	11 821 181
07 07 03	Promoting effective access to justice	11 278 923	2 000 000	10 113 817	3 165 106	1 400 000	12,41%	4 565 106
07 20 01 02	Pilot projects	1 125 000	-300 000	0	825 000	-188 052	-16,72%	636 948
08 02 06 03	European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) - Operational technical assistance	85 413 836	2 713 505	51 768 800	36 358 541	6 752 833	7,91%	43 111 374
08 03 01 01	Rural development types of interventions under the CAP Strategic Plans	8 500 000 000	896 262 183	9 315 698 284	80 563 900	228 994 701	2,69%	309 558 601
08 20 01	Pilot projects	3 265 650	0	224 213	3 041 438	-1 425 456	-43,65%	1 615 981
09 02 01	Nature and biodiversity	199 953 865	-1 784 136	154 590 141	43 579 588	15 500 000	7,75%	59 079 588
09 02 02	Circular economy and quality of life	139 000 000	0	86 056 689	52 943 311	4 000 000	2,88%	56 943 311
09 02 04	Clean energy transition	119 250 000	0	101 815 840	17 434 160	3 500 000	2,94%	20 934 160
09 02 99 01	Completion of previous programmes in the field of environment and climate action (LIFE) (prior to 2021)	129 000 000	0	90 580 827	38 419 173	2 456 340	1,90%	40 875 513
09 20 04 01	Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism	27 044 470	-349 400	17 432 520	9 262 550	-5 730 000	-21,19%	3 532 550
10 10 01	European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA)	224 512 949	0	89 146 336	135 366 613	-15 000 000	-6,68%	120 366 613
11 02 01	Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy	673 414 087	39 523 005	545 642 030	167 295 061	50 000 000	7,42%	217 295 061
11 03 01	Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment	114 354 015	0	1 810 521	112 543 494	-89 210 000	-78,01%	23 333 494

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11 10 01	European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex)	1 106 942 519	0	825 475 750	281 466 769	50 000 000	4,52%	331 466 769
11 10 02	European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA)	315 294 424	476 996	315 771 420	0	76 000 000	24,10%	76 000 000
12 04 02	Bohunice programme	19 948 000	0	79 378	19 868 622	-8 922 000	-44,73%	10 946 622
12 04 03	Decommissioning and Waste Management Programme of the Joint Research Centre (JRC)	47 000 000	0	28 046 835	18 953 165	-2 900 000	-6,17%	16 053 165
12 10 01	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)	236 744 283	19 678 000	212 738 122	43 684 161	-2 000 000	-0,84%	41 684 161
13 02 01	Capability development	535 000 000	4 429 994	270 161 850	269 268 144	73 670 581	13,77%	342 938 725
13 03 01	Defence research	265 000 000	0	133 842 823	131 157 177	34 857 935	13,15%	166 015 112
13 07 01	Defence Industrial Reinforcement Instrument	100 000 000	-10 000 000	29 092 298	60 907 702	-12 489 528	-12,49%	48 418 174
13 08 01	European Defence Industry Programme	0	58 869 212	109 328	58 759 885	-33 793 208	0,00%	24 966 677
13 08 02	Ukraine Support Instrument	0	19 085 788	0	19 085 788	-19 085 780	0,00%	8
14 03 01	Humanitarian aid	2 095 862 000	249 487 869	1 931 169 656	414 180 213	-174 487 869	-8,33%	239 692 344
14 05 02	Overseas countries and territories other than Greenland	57 710 000	0	22 740 949	34 969 051	-32 000 000	-55,45%	2 969 051
14 05 03	Greenland	20 000 000	0	299 600	19 700 400	-14 000 000	-70,00%	5 700 400
14 06 01	Nuclear safety, radiation protection and safeguards	38 000 000	0	9 067 919	28 932 081	-2 000 000	-5,26%	26 932 081
14 06 99 01	Completion of previous actions in the field of nuclear safety cooperation (prior to 2021)	5 000 000	0	483 277	4 516 723	-3 000 000	-60,00%	1 516 723
14 20 03 01	Macro-financial assistance (MFA) grants	61 511 946	0	343 203	61 168 744	-59 974 305	-97,50%	1 194 439
15 02 02 01	Preparation for accession	767 960 222	-156 000 000	200 476 649	411 483 573	-35 893 308	-4,67%	375 590 265
16 02 02	European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)	20 000 000	-210 000	15 836 165	3 953 835	4 105 595	20,53%	8 059 430
Total DECREASE Payments						-1 123 625 643		
Total INCREASE Payments						1 123 625 643		
Total DECREASE Commitments						0		
Total INCREASE Commitments						0		
Total DECREASE Non-Diff						0		
Total INCREASE Non-Diff						0		

Justifications

Increased 01 02 02 40

Cluster ‘Digital, Industry and Space’

The increase of payment appropriations is requested due to the progress review of the secure connectivity contract, which increased the payment needs of the European Space Agency. Furthermore, faster processing of interim and final payments, earlier submission of cost claims, amendments to reporting periods, and a shorter-than-expected time-to-grant for the 2026 calls brings some expenditure forward into 2026. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 95,4 million is requested.

Increased 01 02 02 50

Cluster ‘Climate, Energy and Mobility’

Additional payment appropriations are requested to cover the payment needs until the end of the year. This is mainly due to an increase in payment requests following the submission of interim payment reports, as well as higher pre-financing requirements for the 2025 calls, as a consequence of several projects with a duration of 48 months and two reporting periods instead of three. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 83,6 million is requested.

Increased 01 02 02 60

Cluster ‘Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment’

The increase of payment appropriations is requested to finance the actions envisaged under Cluster 6 of Horizon Europe. This is mainly due to the revised 2026 Work Programme and to major delays in the submission of interim reports in 2025, with the related payments being postponed to 2026. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 85,1 million is requested.

Decreased 02 02 99 01

Completion of previous programmes in the field of small and medium-sized enterprises, including the Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises (COSME) (prior to 2021) — Financial instruments

The payment forecast under this budget line has been revised downwards to reflect the decreased request of the European Investment Fund for the ‘COSME equity facility for growth’ instrument, which is a dedicated prior-2021 financial instrument for Competitiveness of Enterprises and medium-small enterprises. Therefore, EUR 8,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 02 02 99 03

Completion of previous research programmes (prior to 2021) — Financial instruments

Based on the forecast provided by the European Investment Bank (EIB) in July 2026, the payment needs for the financial instruments related to the research programmes prior to 2021 are lower than initially expected. Therefore, EUR 4,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 02 02 99 07

Completion of previous Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — ICT programmes (prior to 2021) — Financial instruments

With the last capital call planned in October 2026, the estimates indicate that the payment appropriations available are not fully necessary. Therefore, an amount of EUR 0,8 million can be made available.

Decreased 02 03 01

Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Transport

As a result of delays in the submission of several high-value cost claims, as well as delays in the implementation of some projects and the submission of interim payment claims for significantly lower amounts than planned, EUR 179,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 02 03 03 01

Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Digital

As a result of cancelled actions (EUR 165 million), as well as lower and delayed cost claims (EUR 30 million), lower payment estimates (EUR 13 million), and the suspension of grant agreements (EUR 16 million), under-implementation is identified. Therefore, a total of EUR 223,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 02 03 99 01

Completion of previous Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Transport activities (prior to 2021)

As several projects have been postponed and might not be fully implemented, the related cost claims amounts have decreased. Therefore, EUR 70,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 02 04 02 10

High-performance computing

Payments related to the 'Destination Earth' activities were anticipated to 2025, which could not have been foreseen during the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026, and the cost of the European Digital Innovation Hubs (EDIH) final project remained below the maximum grant amount. Therefore, a total of EUR 21,7 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 02 04 02 11

High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC)

A total of EUR 1,6 million in payment appropriations can be made available, as the contribution agreement with the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking for Advanced Digital Skills has already been paid from the Digital Europe Programme - Skills budget line.

Decreased 02 04 03

Artificial intelligence

The pre-financing rate of several high-value projects related to two calls was reduced due to the lower financial capacity of some of the participants. Therefore, a total of EUR 19,6 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 02 04 05 01

Deployment

A combination of factors explains the surplus of payment appropriations for 2026. The participation to the call for the development and certification of EU Digital Identity Wallets was lower than expected. At the same time, for a large number of balance payments related to the European Digital Innovation Hubs (EDIH) call, the final total cost of projects has remained below the maximum grant amount. Therefore, a total of EUR 11,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 03 04 01

Cooperation in the field of taxation (Fiscalis)

An amount of EUR 5,7 million in payment appropriations can be made available due to slower-than-expected payments compared to the forecasts at the time of preparing the Draft Budget 2026.

Decreased 03 05 01

Cooperation in the field of customs (Customs)

An amount of EUR 28,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available following delays in the signature of Data hub contracts, delays in implementation of grant agreements and a reduction of payment needs linked to trainings.

Increased 04 02 02

Copernicus

The payment request from the European Space Agency (EUSPA) related to the implementation of the SPACE segment of the Copernicus programme has been higher than initially estimated. While the initial estimates were prudent, industries can absorb additional payment appropriations. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 13,2 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 05 03 03

Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Transport — Cohesion Fund (CF) allocation

The remaining payment appropriations in the voted budget 2026 are not sufficient to cover the expected needs until the end of the year due to the quicker-than-expected submission of cost claims. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 15,0 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 05 03 99 03

Completion of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Cohesion Fund (CF) allocation (2014-2020)

The remaining payment appropriations in the voted budget 2026 are insufficient to cover the needs until the end of the year. Several projects that were initially considered to be at risk were eventually fully implemented. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 71,0 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 05 04 01

Financial support for encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community

Due to the accelerated implementation of ongoing contracts and the increase of planned tenders and contracts in the last quarter of 2026 for which pre-financing will have to be made still in 2026, a reinforcement of EUR 0,5 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Decreased 06 02 02

Technical Support Instrument

The level of commitment appropriations adopted in the final budget 2026 was lower than the amount foreseen in the Draft Budget, reducing the amount of the agreements, including pre-financing payments. As a result, EUR 10 million in payment appropriations can be redeployed.

Decreased 06 03 01

Protection of the euro against counterfeiting

The final costs of several projects – for which a payment is planned in 2026 – were lower than budgeted. In addition, the final payment under a contract signed in 2025 is no longer expected to be made in 2026. Therefore, EUR 0,1 million in payment appropriations are made available.

Decreased 06 05 99 01

Completion of previous programmes and actions in the field of civil protection within the Union (prior to 2021)

Due to delays in the implementation of Member State-managed stockpiling contracts, the related interim and final payments have been postponed to future years. Therefore, EUR 6,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 06 20 04 01

Coordination and surveillance of, and communication on, the economic and monetary union, including the euro

The final payment of the grant awarded to Bulgaria for the co-financing of the communication campaign on the euro changeover was lower than the amount requested in the 2026 voted budget. In addition, the implementation of several activities, including the redevelopment of the AMECO application, which is a key tool used to produce accurate economic forecasts, was delayed, resulting in the corresponding payments being postponed to 2027. Therefore, EUR 2,2 million in payment appropriations are made available.

Increased 07 03 01 01

Promoting learning mobility of individuals and groups, and cooperation, inclusion and equity, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training — Indirect management

The payment appropriations in the 2026 voted budget under the Erasmus+ Education and Training budget line are insufficient to meet the expected financial obligations until the end of 2026. This shortfall is mainly due to higher-than-anticipated payment needs of National Agencies, reflecting the continuing strong demand and accelerated absorption trends of the programme. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 153 million in payment appropriations is requested to ensure a smooth implementation of the activities until the end of 2026.

Increased 07 03 02

Promoting non-formal and informal learning mobility and active participation among young people, and cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of youth

The payment appropriations in the 2026 voted budget under the Erasmus+ Youth budget line are insufficient to meet the expected financial obligations until the end of 2026. This shortfall is mainly due to higher-than-anticipated payment needs of National Agencies, reflecting the continuing strong demand and accelerated absorption trends of the programme. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 30 million in payment appropriations is requested to ensure smooth implementation of activities until the end of 2026.

Increased 07 04 01

European Solidarity Corps

The payment appropriations in the 2026 voted budget under the European Solidarity Corps budget line are insufficient to meet the expected financial obligations until the end of 2026. This shortfall is mainly due to higher-than-anticipated payment needs of National Agencies, reflecting the continuing strong demand and accelerated absorption trends of the programme. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 10 million in payment appropriations is requested to ensure smooth implementation of activities until the end of 2026.

Increased 07 06 01

Equality and rights

While it could not be foreseen at the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026, projects in the reserve list from the EQUAL call were activated, resulting in pre-financing payments being due in 2026. In addition, several pre-financings and interim payments on complex files such as procurement and grants are due in 2026. As these files do not follow the usual payment schedule foreseen in the Draft Budget 2026, the related payments are falling due earlier than originally expected. A reinforcement of EUR 3,5 million in payment appropriations is therefore requested.

Increased 07 06 03

Daphne

At the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026, no payment appropriations were requested, as the outcome and timing of the call for proposals on the budget line were still uncertain. Following confirmation that the call was successful, payment appropriations are now required in 2026 to cover the related pre-financing payments. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 3,8 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 07 07 01

Promoting judicial cooperation

A reinforcement of EUR 1,9 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover the pre-financing of grants from the reserve list, which could not be foreseen at the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026, as well as to honour the quarterly payments of IT procurement contracts.

Increased 07 07 02

Supporting judicial training

A reinforcement of EUR 6,0 million in payment appropriations is requested in order to cover the pre-financing for an operating grant, which at the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026 was foreseen with a possible split in pre-financing between 2026 and 2027.

Increased 07 07 03

Promoting effective access to justice

The digitalisation of the Justice programme is picking up, hence more IT procurement contracts requiring quarterly payments are being concluded. At the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026, neither quarterly payments on newly concluded procurement contracts nor the activation of reserve list grants for the calls were foreseen. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 1,4 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 08 02 06 03

European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) — Operational technical assistance

The payment needs related to the corporate communication envelope were revised upwards following a shift in priorities and the limited timeframe for implementation. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 6,8 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 08 03 01 01

Rural development types of interventions under the CAP Strategic Plans

The August Member States' forecasts for rural development types of interventions under the CAP Strategic Plans shows a deficit in payment appropriations by year-end. By applying an accuracy rate based on historical data to these forecasts, a shortfall in payment appropriations is identified. A reinforcement of EUR 229,0 million is therefore requested in this transfer.

Increased 09 02 01

Nature and biodiversity

The implementation of the LIFE programme progresses faster than expected at the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026, which is mostly linked to higher inflation rates, overall better economic outlook in the Member States and efficient implementation of LIFE grants. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 15,5 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 09 02 02

Circular economy and quality of life

The implementation of the LIFE programme progresses faster than expected at the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2026, which is mostly linked to higher inflation rates, overall better economic outlook in the Member States and efficient implementation of LIFE grants. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 4,0 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Increased 09 02 04

Clean energy transition

A reinforcement of EUR 3,5 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover higher payment needs linked to the first as well as further pre-financings for the ongoing grants under the LIFE programme.

Increased 09 02 99 01

Completion of previous programmes in the field of environment and climate action (LIFE) (prior to 2021)

As larger amounts have been declared and paid for the second pre-financing, interim and closure payments (notably due to higher inflation rates), a reinforcement of EUR 2,5 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Decreased 09 20 04 01

Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism

As the payments related to the commitments expected to be made during the last quarter of the year will not fall due in 2026, an amount of EUR 5,7 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 10 10 01

European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA)

An analysis of the Agency's budget needs during the mid-year budget review identified funds remaining unused. A substantial boost in funding and staff was provided in 2025-2027 from the MFF mid-term revision for the implementation of the Pact on Migration and Asylum. The implementation of the Pact only started in June 2026, and contracting and spending for the related activities are expected to increase in the second half of 2026 and 2027. Additionally, the phasing-out of the short-term contract agents allocated after the start of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine has largely offset the 100 new permanent CA positions allocated in 2025-2027 for the Asylum and Migration Pact. Therefore, EUR 15,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Increased 11 02 01

Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy

A reinforcement of EUR 50,0 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover additional financing needs due to higher-than-expected interim payments forecasted by the Member States under shared management.

Decreased 11 03 01

Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment

EUR 89,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available following delays in the implementation of the second Customs Control Equipment Instrument (CCEI) call, mainly due to Member States extending the duration of grants and their difficulties in procuring supplies. In addition, the launch of the third call has been postponed, resulting in the deferral of the related pre-financing payments (50% of the call) to 2027.

Increased 11 10 01

European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex)

Due to the operational pressures and increased demand by Member States for Frontex's services, particularly in the areas of return and reintegration, a reinforcement of the EU contribution to Frontex of EUR 50,0 million in payment appropriations is requested to support the return and reintegration of more than 65 000 third-country nationals by the end of 2026, and to help address the budgetary needs arising from the volatile situation at the external borders, especially the recent crisis in Ceuta.

Increased 11 10 02

European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA)

A reinforcement of EUR 76,0 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover the agency's needs arising from several factors. Among these are deliverables related to adapting the Schengen Information System (SIS) to Interoperability (IO), through the European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) and the European Criminal Records Information System on Third-Country Nationals (ECRIS-TCN); the acceleration of the completion of deliverables related to the provisioning of common shared platform compliant hardware for the revised Visa Information System (VIS); the entry into operation of the new European Dactyloscopy Database (Eurodac), the Entry/Exit System (EES), ETIAS and ECRIS-TCN; and meeting milestones for adapting systems to interoperability components, infrastructure and testing activities.

Decreased 12 04 02

Bohunice programme

The project related to the decontamination and demolition activities, including the related payments, had to be postponed to 2027 due to delays in the projects related to the dismantling of the systems and the procurement of the equipment. This postponement also had significant impact on payments related to the transport and disposal of radioactive waste. Therefore, EUR 8,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 12 04 03

Decommissioning and Waste Management Programme of the Joint Research Centre (JRC)

The estimated payment needs until the end of 2026 are lower than anticipated due to delays in the implementation of several contracts linked to decommissioning activities. In particular, a contract linked to the JRC site in Ispra could not be completed as planned due to delays in the approval of transportation of nuclear material. Therefore EUR 2,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 12 10 01

European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)

Europol operates a small part of its operational budget as differentiated expenditure, exclusively dedicated to grants. Due to some delays in grant contracting, EUR 2,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Increased 13 02 01

Capability development

As the payments related to some 2025 milestones shifted to 2026, a reinforcement of EUR 73,7 million in payment appropriations is needed in 2026.

Increased 13 03 01

Defence research

As the payments related to some 2025 milestones shifted to 2026, a reinforcement of EUR 34,9 million in payment appropriations is needed in 2026.

Decreased 13 07 01

Defence Industrial Reinforcement Instrument

Under the Act in Support of Ammunition Production (ASAP), 31 projects were signed in the second half of 2024. However, the complexity of the tasks is leading to difficulties in reaching milestones and, for some of the projects, industry requested amendments to extend the duration of the grants. This results in payments shifting from 2026 to 2027. Therefore, EUR 12,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 13 08 01

European Defence Industry Programme

The new European Defence Industry Programme (EDIP) was adopted only at the very end of 2025. While several activities were committed in 2026 with associated pre-financing, the first grant agreements for some of the calls launched in 2026 will be signed in early 2027, with the first payments taking place in that year. Therefore, EUR 33,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available in 2026.

Decreased 13 08 02

Ukraine Support Instrument

The Ukraine Support Instrument (USI) is part of the new European Defence Industry Programme (EDIP), which was adopted at the very end of 2025. The payments on the activities financed from the 2026 commitments will only start in the beginning of 2027. Therefore, EUR 19,1 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 14 03 01

Humanitarian aid

Payments which were originally scheduled towards the end of 2026 to ensure the liquidity of humanitarian partner organisations, have now been postponed to early 2027. For 2027, sufficient payment appropriations have been requested to meet those payment obligations. Therefore, EUR 174,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 14 05 02

Overseas countries and territories other than Greenland

Some contracts under the Territorial and Regional programmes were postponed. The Financing Agreement for a Territorial programme in Wallis and Futuna was concluded only in December 2025, with the first disbursement made in April 2026 and the second one planned for 2027, which was not initially planned. The Financing Agreements for regional programmes in the Pacific and in the Caribbean were signed in 2025 but their contracting will occur only in late 2026 or early 2027. Therefore, EUR 32,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 14 05 03

Greenland

To allow for sufficient verification of the evaluation progress indicators, the payment related to the EU-Greenland Education Partnership 2024-2025 will be postponed from 2026 to 2027. For 2027, sufficient payment appropriations have been requested in the Draft Budget 2027. Therefore, EUR 14,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 14 06 01

Nuclear safety, radiation protection and safeguards

Due to operational difficulties linked to a contract signed with the International Atomic Energy Agency, the implementation was delayed. Based on the beneficiaries' revised workplan, payments for further pre-financing will only be needed at the beginning of 2027. Therefore, EUR 2,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 14 06 99 01

Completion of previous actions in the field of nuclear safety cooperation (prior to 2021)

Given the current situation in the Middle East, the contract "Iran – Supply of equipment for the Iranian Nuclear Regulatory Authority (second phase)" was terminated due to force majeure. Therefore, EUR 3,0 million in payment appropriations are no longer needed and can be made available.

Decreased 14 20 03 01

Macro-financial assistance (MFA) grants

As no Macro-financial assistance (MFA) operations with a grant component are envisaged in 2026, EUR 60,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased 15 02 02 01

Preparation for accession

The payments for some investment and technical assistance projects implemented by international financial institutions (IFIs) have been postponed from 2026 to 2027. These are complex infrastructural projects, often of a regional nature covering multiple sectors. Delays are mostly related to obligatory administrative procedures. Therefore, EUR 35,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Increased 16 02 02

European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)

Four applications (EGF/2026/001 BE/Cora, EGF/2026/002 ES/Galicia automotive ancillary, EGF/2026/003 FI/Valmet automotive and EGF/2026/004 FI/Etelä-Suomi and Helsinki-Uusimaa paper) were submitted by Member States for mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF) and should be adopted in 2026. The four cases represent a total amount of EUR 8,1 million, for which a 100% pre-financing should be paid still in 2026. The current availabilities in the voted budget 2026 are not sufficient to honour these payments. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 4,1 million in payment appropriations is requested.

Decreased PA 01 22 01

Preparatory action — Art and the digital: unleashing creativity for European water management

The final payment of year 1 of the preparatory action was lower than expected, therefore an amount of EUR 32 602 in payment appropriations can therefore be made available.

Decreased PA 01 23 01

Preparatory action — Energy prosumers repository - Monitor the development of prosumer actions across the EU

Given that the completion of one of the milestones of the contract will be achieved in 2027, one of the two payments initially planned for the year 2026 will be moved to next year. Therefore, EUR 63 443 in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PA 03 22 04

Preparatory action — Establishing basis for a tourism common policy

The contractual payment conditions mention a first payment of only 20% of the total project amount. Therefore, EUR 1,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PA 03 22 05

Preparatory action — Operationality of the Tourism of Tomorrow Lab (To of To Lab)

This project advanced faster than initially foreseen and the payment was executed in 2025 instead of 2026. No further payment is planned in 2026. Therefore, EUR 0,7 million can be made available.

Decreased PA 03 24 02

Preparatory action — Harmonized fire statistics as a tool for enhancing pan-European fire safety efforts

The revised forecasts reflect a lower final payment amount than initially programmed. Therefore, EUR 49 in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PA 03 24 03

Preparatory action — Upskilling and reskilling the Tourism Ecosystem I Tourism Knowledge hub and Tourism Data Space

The contract for this preparatory action was signed later than initially foreseen, which led to implementation delays and lower than initially expected interim payments in 2026. Therefore EUR 0,4 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PA 04 24 01

Preparatory action — Game-changing innovation for European launch solutions

The grant agreement related to the second part of this preparatory action will be only signed by the end of 2026, with the first pre-financings due in early 2027. Therefore, EUR 2,0 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PA 04 24 02

Preparatory action — Innovative user terminals for European secure satellite communication service

The grant agreement related to the second part of this preparatory action will be signed by the end of 2026, with the first pre-financings due in early 2027. Therefore, EUR 9,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PA 04 26 01

EU Integrated Spaceport Initiative (EISI)

Pending the finalisation of the specifications of the call for tenders, the project is still awaiting its launch, and the first pre-financing will be paid only in 2027. Therefore, EUR 1,3 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PA 04 26 02

EU Platform for Space Traffic Coordination

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Pilot project — EU Public repository of Public Domain and openly licensed works

Following the extension of the project by two months from 31 July 2026 to 30 September 2026, the forecasted final payment of the grant is delayed to the first quarter of 2027. Therefore, an amount of EUR 0,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 01 23 06

Pilot project — Young European Entrepreneur Award - The EU's Acceleration and Investment Programme for Young Entrepreneurs

Following a revision of the forecasts, which reflects a lower final payment amount than initially programmed, an amount of EUR 55 006 in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 01 24 01

Pilot project — Chips Diplomacy Support Initiative

The final payment of the grant of year 1 will be delayed to the first quarter of 2027. The reporting is expected to be received in November 2026, while the only remaining payment in 2026 is a 30% pre-financing for year 2 of the project. Therefore, an amount of EUR 0,3 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 01 24 03

Pilot project — Stimulating Local and Regional New European Bauhaus Grassroots Projects

Given that the contracts covered by the global commitment are still awaiting finalisation, the estimated payment needs are lower than initially planned and EUR 0,1 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 01 25 01

Pilot project — Evaluation of drought monitoring and natural restoration of soils and groundwater

As several contracts covered by a global commitment made in 2025 are still pending finalisation, no further payment is expected to take place before the end of 2026. Therefore, EUR 0,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 03 24 01

Pilot project — Comparative study on best practices for a stronger EU sanction enforcement

Although EUR 0,5 million in payment appropriations were initially entered for this pilot project, the contract was ultimately awarded, following an open public procurement procedure, for an amount of EUR 0,4 million, of which 30% (EUR 0,1 million) is due for payment in 2026 and the remaining portion in 2027. Accordingly, an amount of EUR 21 616 in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 03 26 01

Award for Sustainable Tourism Management

Only a payment of EUR 0,1 million will be made in the first year of this pilot project in 2026. Therefore, the remaining EUR 25 000 in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 03 26 02

Promoting financial literacy in the Union

As the procurement procedure is still ongoing, no payments are expected in 2026. Therefore, EUR 0,6 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 04 24 02

Pilot project — Innovative deployable antennas

The contract for this pilot project was signed at the end of 2025, after the agreement on the 2026 budget was reached. According to the contract no payment will be made in 2026 for this project. Therefore, EUR 0,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 05 21 01

Pilot project — Cross-Border Crisis Response Integrated Initiative (CB-CRII)

The total eligible project expenditure of the grant agreement under this pilot project was lower than the beneficiary's planned budget. Therefore, EUR 83 979 in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 07 26 02

Smart Social Economic Model in Tourism (Long-Distance Trails)

The pre-financing payments for this project will be made only at the beginning of 2027. Therefore, EUR 0,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Increased PP 08 23 01

Pilot project — Improving the place of organic products in collective catering

Following the extension of the initial contract, the final deliverable is expected in the last quarter of 2026. No payments were made under the contract since its signature in 2024, and with the contract's extension, the entire balance is expected to be paid at once, requiring a higher level of payment appropriations than currently available. An amount of EUR 0,3 million in payment appropriations is thus requested to reinforce the availabilities on the line.

Decreased PP 08 24 02

Pilot project — Fostering energy transition in the fisheries sector

The implementation of the pilot project has been delayed due to late reporting linked to the interim payments; therefore, EUR 0,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 08 25 01

Pilot project — EU observatory for agricultural land, control and access to farmland

Considering the progress of implementation and the payments already made in 2026, only a limited additional amount of payment appropriations is expected to be required before year-end. Consequently, EUR 0,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

Decreased PP 08 26 01

“Back to the Roots”: Strengthening Food Access and Food Democracy Initiatives across the EU

Following the need to sign a new specific contract for the project, the payment schedules were revised, and no payments are expected before the end of 2026. Therefore, EUR 0,4 million in payment appropriations can be made available.