

FFG-Update: Horizon Europe ab 2028

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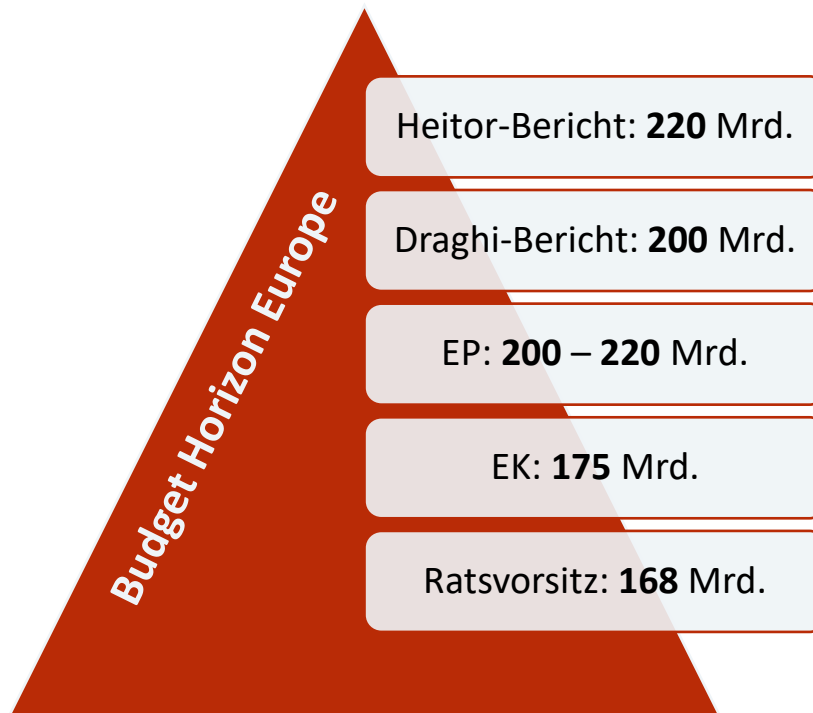
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First things first: Budget...

EUR million	COM proposal			Negotiating box	
	Total 2021-2027 (current prices)	Total 2028-2034 (current prices)	Total 2028-2034 (2025 prices)	Total 2028-2034 (current prices)	Total 2028-2034 (2025 prices)
TOTAL	1,245,477	1,984,894	1,763,056	1,947,741	1,730,228
Economic, social and territorial cohesion, agriculture, rural and maritime prosperity and security	819,981	1,062,220	946,404	1,057,355	942,142
National and Regional Partnership Plans	784,807	865,076	771,319	863,958	770,366
Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) income support	282,514	293,699	259,231	293,699	261,013
Common Fisheries Policy		2,000	1,778	4,000	3,549
Migration and border management	11,406	34,215	30,608	34,215	30,608
Economic, territorial and social cohesion including fisheries and rural communities	452,964	452,965	404,877	458,786	410,080
<i>p.m. Social Climate Fund</i>	14,900	50,100	45,443	50,100	45,443
Interreg	8,935	10,264	9,044	10,264	9,045
EU Facility - Union actions, of which:	28,989	63,223	56,275	55,792	49,680
Unity Safety Net	3,132	6,301	5,598	6,301	5,598
Solidarity actions	6,706	20,117	17,850	16,824	14,928
HOME affairs actions	8,429	25,285	22,435	21,147	18,762
Other (cities, employment & social innovation...)	10,722	11,520	10,392	11,520	10,392
EU Facility - Cushion		8,710	7,728	7,202	6,391
Support to the Turkish-Cypriot Community	241	438	389	438	389
Decentralised agencies	12,217	22,888	20,240	19,141	16,928
Frontex	5,944	11,888	10,498	9,711	8,576
Europol	1,523	2,999	2,649	2,450	2,162
Repayment of NGEU	22,715	168,000	149,296	168,000	149,296
Margin		5,818	5,159	5,818	5,163
Competitiveness, prosperity and security	220,637	589,594	522,205	566,453	501,711
European Competitiveness Fund	163,800	450,508	397,753	433,850	383,008
European Competitiveness Fund (excluding Innovation Fund)	134,375	409,301	382,283	392,644	347,538
Horizon Europe	87,654	175,002	154,882	167,880	148,579

Quelle: MFF Negotiating Box, 11. Juni 2026

Budgetvorschläge verschiedener Akteur/innen



Budget: Rückfluss-Potenzial für Österreich

Bei gleichbleibender
Rückflussquote von 3,2%
am Gesamtbudget:
800 Mio. Euro Rückfluss
nach Österreich pro Jahr

Budget Horizon Europe

Heitor-Bericht: **220** Mrd.

Draghi-Bericht: **200** Mrd.

EP: **200 – 220** Mrd.

EK: **175** Mrd.

Ratsvorsitz: **168** Mrd.

European Competitiveness Fund / Horizon Europe

EUROPEAN COMPETITIVENESS FUND

ECF InvestEU Investment
Instrument

Project Advisory, SME
collaboration, skills development,
Access to funding

Policy window
**Clean Transition
and Industrial
Decarbonisation**

Policy window
**Digital
Leadership**

Policy window
**Health,
Biotech,
Agriculture
and
Bioeconomy**

Policy window
**Resilience and
Security,
Defence
industry and
Space**

HORIZON EUROPE

Pillar 1 **Excellent Science**

- European Research Council
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions
- Joint Research Centre

Pillar 2 **Competitiveness and society**

- Competitiveness (*)
- Society

Pillar 3 **Innovation**

- European Innovation Council
- Innovation ecosystems

Pillar 4 **European Research Area**

- R&I systems
- Research and technology infrastructure
- Widening participation

Ziele ab 2028: *Clean Transition and Industrial Decarbonisation*

- (i) **decarbonisation of industry**, ... shift towards a sustainable, circular, energy-, water- and resource-efficient, climate-neutral, nature-positive and resilient economy ...;
- (ii) fostering **lead markets** for clean products, services, processes and technologies;
- (iii) the **uptake by industries** of decarbonisation and circular technologies...;
- (iv) **decarbonisation of energy supply**, promotion of energy efficiency, the uptake of renewable and clean energy solutions, ...energy and transport infrastructures, boosting **smart mobility**, renewable and low-carbon fuels and electrification, ... sustainable blue economy;
- (v) nature-based and circular **business models and demand side solutions** for clean decarbonised buildings, transport and industry, enhancing societal climate resilience.

Ziele ab 2028: *Health, Biotech, Agriculture and Bioeconomy*

(i) **health:** fostering innovation and competitiveness of the health sector for the benefit of people and society ...; public and population health, by prioritising health promotion and disease prevention, developing better diagnosis and treatment across the life span through health-in-all and One Health policies,...;

(ii) **biotechnology:** production and uptake, availability and accessibility of biotechnological solutions, including medicinal products, medical devices, in vitro diagnostic medical devices and medical countermeasures;

(iii) **bioeconomy:** ... biobased materials and products, biomanufacturing, innovative food products, bio-based chemicals; ... bioeconomy innovations...;

(iv) **agriculture and food security:** competitiveness, innovation, sustainability, and resilience of agriculture, food systems, fisheries, aquaculture, forestry, rural and coastal areas and ... mitigating the climate, environmental and biodiversity crises, ...safeguarding animal and plant health.

Ziele ab 2028: *Digital Leadership*

... supporting the **entire scope of the digital sector and value chains** in a comprehensive and strategic manner, ... with a **focus on key digital areas** which include, but are not limited, to artificial intelligence, high-performance computing and data technologies and infrastructures, quantum technologies and infrastructures, semiconductors, advanced materials, software technologies and services, augmented reality and virtual worlds, platforms and media-relevant technologies, robotics, additive and digital manufacturing technologies and processes, connectivity technologies and infrastructures, digital infrastructures and services such as digital identity and trust services and interoperable digital technologies, cybersecurity, and new and emerging digital technologies as well as cross-sectoral digital technologies and applications, including those with dual-use potential...

Ziele ab 2028: *Security, Defence Industry and Space*

- (1) **Raw materials:** strengthening the different stages of the critical raw materials supply chain, ...; diversifying supply sources and markets; ...
- (2) **Defence:** ... fostering an innovative EU defence industrial ecosystem; collaborative research and development of defence products and technologies, including disruptive technologies for defence; ... life-cycle of defence equipment...;
- (3) **Space:** Designing, developing, deploying, operating and maintaining space systems,...; development of an innovative and competitive Union space economy; sustainability...; Union as a global actor...;
- (4) **Civil security:** Security and resilience of critical and dual-use infrastructure, critical entities, technologies...; control of goods and persons at borders; protection of borders...; civil preparedness...; Preventing and combating crime...; capabilities of the relevant end-users...;

Ziele ab 2028: *Society*

- targeted at guiding societal and cultural transformation, as well as supporting evidence-based policy making for future-oriented, resilient societies:
 - (i) understanding the **impacts of geopolitical shifts, new technologies, environmental, climate and demographic changes** and developing actions needed to ensure a healthy, sustainable and resilient society and territorial management catering for the well-being of citizens;
 - (ii) fostering democratic, culturally diverse, inclusive, socially just, secure and **peaceful societies** and driving democratic governance and innovation in public services;
 - (iii) sustaining European cultures and **cultural heritage** and strengthening cultural and **creative sectors and industries**.

Seamless investment journey: Instrumente in Horizon Europe

Union funding may be provided in any form through award procedures ..., in particular through **grants, prizes, procurement, non-financial donations, and financial instruments**. Grants shall be the main form of support in the Programme.

- **ERC** frontier research actions, supporting bottom-up frontier research
- **Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions** for researchers' career, skills development, and mobility
- **Collaborative research and innovation** activities
- **European Partnerships** (based on Memorandum of Understanding, or Art. 185/187)
- **EIC** actions (Pathfinder, Transition Grants, Accelerator, Incentives for procurers for deep tech, Business Accelerator Services, deep tech defence, European Innovation Ecosystems, (EIT-KICs?))
- **ERA** instruments (ERA Policy Agenda, Policy Support Facility)
- **Widening** measures
- **Research and Technology Infrastructures** (with up to 20% of construction/upgrade costs)
- **Seal of Excellence** (selected projects not funded due to budgetary constraints)

Seamless investment journey: ECF/Horizon Europe - Instrumente

- **[EU Preference:** target development manufacturing and exploitation in the Union of strategic technologies and sectors and protect Union's strategic and economic security interests, as well as security and critical assets and the services they provide.]
- **European Partnerships:** Where necessary to achieve the objectives set out *in the ECF*, parts of the ECF may be implemented through European Partnerships, pursuant to the rules established ... the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, in close cooperation with Member States.
- **Protection of EU Classified Information:** Application of the rules on classified information and sensitive information.
- **Accelerated and Targeted Action for Competitiveness:** to actions of imperative public interest or critical time-sensitivity, which could otherwise not be effectively implemented under the normal rules, the work programmes may identify certain award procedures that may benefit from certain additions, exceptions, and derogations from applicable law, during the award procedure or implementation of the supported activities.

Seamless investment journey: ECF-Instrumente (1)

Union support may be provided in every form provided in the Financial Regulation, in particular grants, prizes, procurement, non-financial donations, budgetary guarantees or financial instruments.

- **Competitiveness Seal:** Selected project **not funded or underfunded** by ECF
- **Single market value chains builder:** for strategic sectors; dedicated **value chains scale up competitive calls**; the calls shall support both project preparation and crowding in of additional public and private capital to integrate suppliers, manufacturers and **innovators**.
- **EU tech frontrunners:** dedicated two-stage bottom-up award procedures to identify and support EU tech frontrunners through **industry-driven consortia**, leveraging on their role as **innovation** and export **drivers**... .

Seamless investment journey: ECF-Instrumente (2)

- **Production ramp-up actions:** financial contributions may, in duly justified exceptional cases, where necessary for the implementation of manufacturing projects essential for reinforcing the Union's resilience or for activities required to ensure the security, resilience or service continuity be awarded to actions that started up to 9 months prior to the date of the submission of the proposal for those action.
- **[Top ups for IPCEIs:** The ECF may support: (a) projects directly participating in an IPCEI approved by the Commission; (b) the follow-on projects based on results from IPCEIs, conditional on significant private investments. Any support of the ECF for IPCEIs shall be conditional on national co-funding.]

Horizon Europe: Verhandlungsfinale (1)

- **European Partnerships**

- Klarer Verweis auf möglichen Beitrag des ECF zu „deployment activities“ von Partnerschaften. Finanzierung aus Horizon Europe soll sich auf F&I Aktivitäten beschränken.
- Bei Partnerschaften gemäß Art. 185/187 sollen die Gesamtbeiträge der Union und anderer Partner gleich hoch sein.
- „Single award procedures“ sollen etabliert werden (Ausschreibungen, Evaluierung, Projektauswahl und Monitoring).
- Mitgliedstaaten sind für ihre nationalen Beiträge nach den jeweiligen nationalen Regeln verantwortlich.

Horizon Europe: Verhandlungsfinale (2)

- **Large-scale and researcher-driven collaborative initiatives**
 - FR/PL Vorschlag für bottom-up gesteuerte Exzellenznetze aus Wissenschaftsinstituten zu europäischen Herausforderungen
 - Bestehende und neu entstehende Exzellenzeinrichtungen verknüpfen
 - Langfristige Vernetzung (mindestens 5 Jahre, dann vereinfachte Verlängerung)
 - Finanzierung aus Säule 2 von Horizon Europe
 - Umsetzung allenfalls durch Pilot-Initiativen
 - FR versucht noch einen Anlauf für konkrete Festlegung im Rechtstext

Horizon Europe: Verhandlungsfinale (3)

- **Widening**
 - Horizontal principle
 - promote and enable the scale of broad and diversified and cross-border collaboration throughout the Union, ... building on the pan-European pool of talent and capacities, stimulating brain circulation and bringing together well-established and emerging excellence.
 - European partnerships
 - pan-European relevance: partnerships shall have pan-European relevance, including through broad and diversified collaboration throughout the Union...

Horizon Europe: Verhandlungsfinale (4)

- **Widening (Fortsetzung)**
 - ERC
 - ... new measures shall be established, including measures designed to enhance the participation of researchers from widening and transition countries in the ERC calls.
 - Progress assessment
 - progress should be regularly assessed using objective data within the strategic process of the Programme in view of providing a clear pathway to eventually graduate from the widening component.

Horizon Europe: Verhandlungsfinale (5)

- **Strategische Prioritätensetzung in Horizon Europe**
 - Aufgabe des Strategischen Ausschusses („Strategic configuration“)

Schrittweiser Prozess (2027 und 2030)

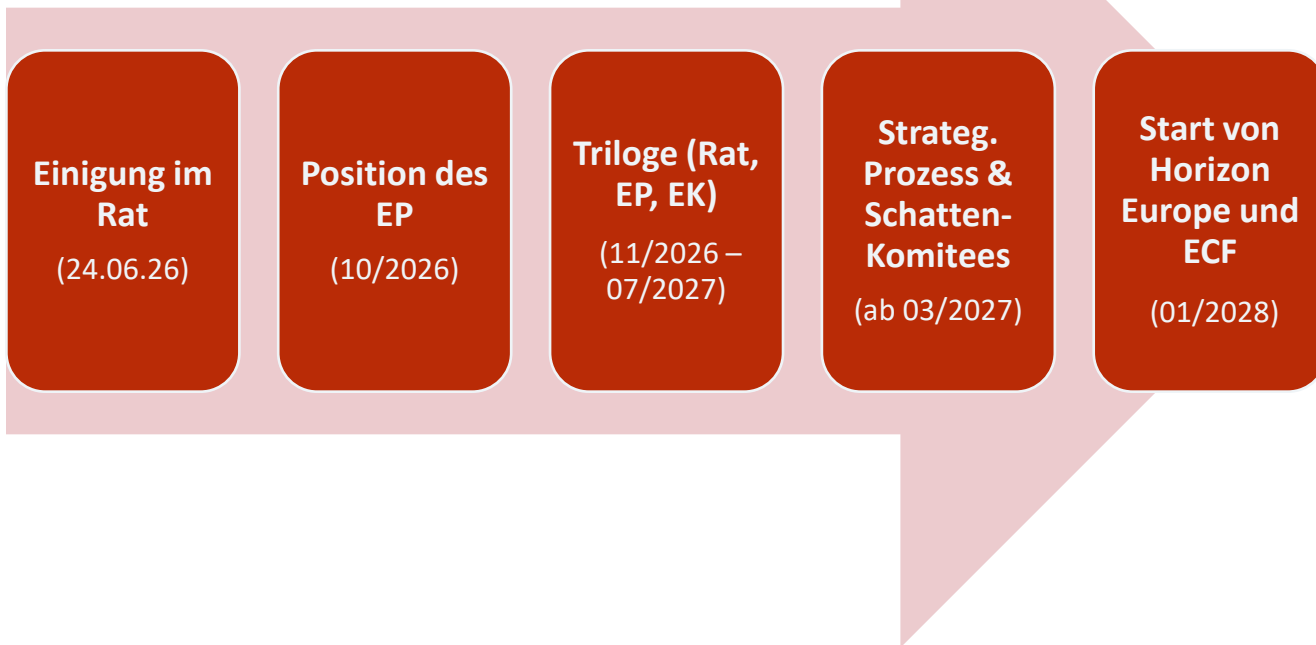
- EK legt Analysen / Foresight / Stakeholder input vor
- ERAC stellt strategischen Beitrag zur strategischen Orientierung von HEU bereit
- EK verfasst ein „multiannual strategic document“ (auch im Abgleich mit ECF)
- Strategischer Ausschuss macht Empfehlungen für EK vor Erstellung der Arbeitsprogramme von HEU

Draft Council Statement on the EIT

The Council's partial General Approach on the Horizon Europe, the Framework Programme and Specific Programme, do not reflect the Council's final position on the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) and its Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs). The Council's position on the EIT and KICs will be established at a later stage, following the examination of the forthcoming Commission proposal for the revision of the EIT Regulation.

The Council invites the Commission to ensure that its proposal for the revision of the EIT Regulation provides a comprehensive and evidence-based basis for considering any future adjustments to the overall EIT framework.

Prozeduraler Ausblick



Vielen Dank für Ihre/eure Aufmerksamkeit!

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