

EU budget 2007

Prosperity, solidarity and security in Europe and beyond

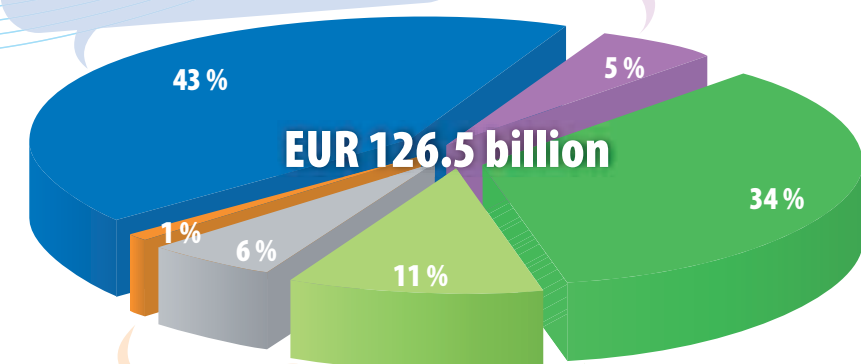
Launch of the 2007–2013 financial framework
New generation of EU programmes

Sustainable growth

Investing in competitiveness
Fostering cohesion across regions

A global player

Promoting sustainable development, peace and security around the world



Citizenship, freedom, security and justice

Protecting health and consumer rights; encouraging public dialogue
Making Europe a safer place to live

Natural resources

Fostering rural development and protecting the environment (11%)
Reforming Europe's agriculture and ensuring high quality (34%)

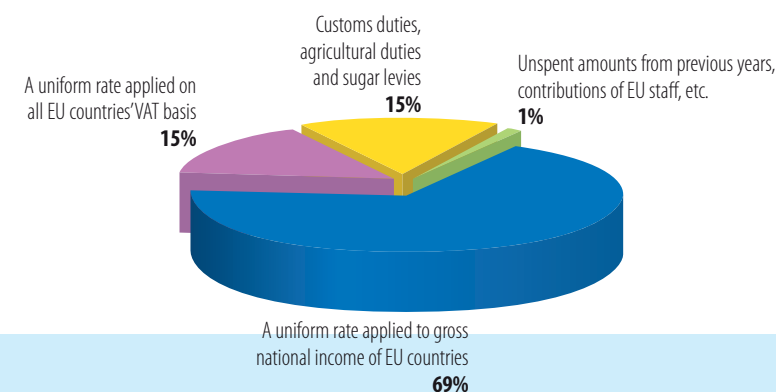
Other expenditure including administration

EU budget 2007 in figures

Expenditure estimates for EU policies (in billion EUR)	Budget 2007	Change from 2006
Sustainable growth	54.9	15.4 %
Competitiveness, including:	9.4	18.6 %
Education and training	0.9	31.0 %
Research	5.5	3.1 %
Competitiveness and innovation	0.4	53.6 %
Energy and transport networks	1.0	32.9 %
Social policy agenda	0.2	8.6 %
Cohesion, including:	45.5	14.8 %
Convergence	35.3	16.8 %
Regional competitiveness and employment	9.0	11.5 %
Territorial cooperation	1.1	-11.7 %
Natural resources, including:	56.3	1.0 %
Environment	0.2	17.9 %
Agricultural expenditure and direct aids	42.7	0.6 %
Rural development	12.4	3.0 %
Freedom, security and justice (including fundamental rights and justice, security and liberties, migration flows)	0.6	12.8 %
Citizenship (including culture, media, public health and consumer protection)	0.6	0.8 %
EU as a global player, including:	6.8 (*)	4.5 % (*)
Pre-accession	1.3	16.5 % (*)
European neighbourhood	1.4	11.1 %
Development cooperation	2.2	-5.4 % (*)
Humanitarian aid	0.7	3.1 %
Democracy and human rights	0.1	9.6 %
Common foreign and security policy	0.2	55.2 %
Stability instrument	0.1	143.6 %
Administration, including:	6.9	5.1 %
European Commission	3.3	5.3 %
Other institutions	2.6	4.8 %
Compensations to new EU countries (*)	0.4	-58.6 %
Total	126.5	5.0 %

(*) Including Emergency Aid Reserve.
(*) Excluding Bulgaria and Romania.
(*) Reduction due to the exceptional amounts allocated in 2006 to the post-tsunami, Afghanistan and Iraq reconstruction efforts.
(*) Amounts fixed by the accession treaties.

Where does the money come from?



EU Budget Trivia – Did you know?

In addition to amounts approved in the budget, the EU has extra tools to help in case of...

...floods, earthquakes and forest fires

➔ Solidarity Fund

The EU budget can provide up to **EUR 1 billion** to help EU countries and candidate countries in the event of a major disaster.

➔ Emergency aid reserve

With **EUR 234.5 million** in reserve for 2007, the Union can rapidly provide supplementary assistance, mainly in the form of humanitarian aid and civil crisis management, to third countries faced with unforeseen emergencies.

...massive job losses

➔ Globalisation Adjustment Fund

A new fund will provide an extra support of up to **EUR 500 million** per year to help those workers severely affected by globalisation by reusing unspent and cancelled funds from previous years.

...new needs, new ideas!

➔ Flexibility instrument: extra help for ongoing and new projects

This new tool enables the EU to give greater support to specific priorities by topping up the Union's expenditure in that area with an additional support of **EUR 200 million**.

At your service in 27 EU Countries



➔ All EU institutions: some 5.5 cents

Out of every euro spent from the EU budget, some **5.5 cents** ensure that EU policies are decided and implemented in the best interests of the Union's 495 million citizens.

For more information

EU budget:
http://europa.eu/pol/financ/index_en.htm

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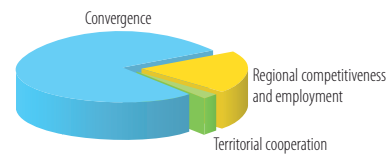


EU budget on the ground - Examples

Sustainable Growth

Cohesion: Towards prosperity across EU regions

EUR 45.5 billion



Building up regional competitiveness and employment potential

Around **EUR 9 billion** will be available to support **entrepreneurship** and innovation in Europe's regions, while improving their connections to **transport** and **information networks**.

Extra funding for less prosperous regions in the Union

Under the **convergence** objective of the Structural Funds and the Cohesion Fund, less developed regions in the EU will receive more than **EUR 35 billion** to modernise and develop infrastructure, and to improve training and production facilities.

European Social Fund: investing in the EU's workforce

EUR 11 billion devoted to people, their training and their jobs.

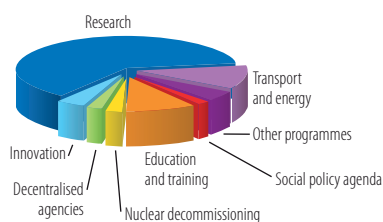
Investing in people can result in:

- **higher salaries** for the employee: + 8 to 10 %;
- **higher productivity**: + 6.2 % in the short run;
- **higher returns for the employer**: + 9 %.

Source: OECD.

Competitiveness: Towards a knowledge-based economy

EUR 9.4 billion



Research ideas put to the test

Young researchers will have more than **EUR 261 million** to investigate **250 ideas** they will propose.

For more qualified researchers

Researchers will benefit from **EUR 430 million** available for training, better career perspectives, and closer interaction between academia and industry.

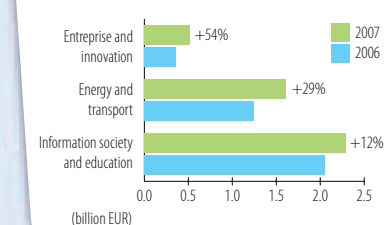
Lifelong learning programme

With **EUR 824 million**, more than 175 000 students will study abroad through the **Erasmus** programme, 41 000 young people will receive vocational training, and some 1 400 adult education teachers will participate in mobility programmes.

Energy of the future

With **EUR 59 million**, 'Intelligent Energy for Europe' will promote energy saving and the development of renewable energy forms and technologies.

More investment in business innovation



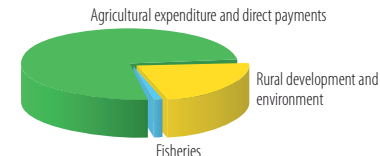
Public services only a click away: eGovernment

More than **EUR 70 million** will be available for increased use of information communication technologies in innovative **government services**.

Natural Resources

Contributing to safer and better food, and a cleaner environment

EUR 56.3 billion



Reforming Europe's agriculture: market-oriented and environment-friendly production

Thanks to reform, farmers in the Union now adjust their production to **market demand** and comply with strict **environmental** and **animal welfare** standards, while

benefiting from stability in their income. Around

EUR 36.9 billion will be disbursed as direct aids to farmers.

For more fish in our seas and jobs on the shore

The EU counts more than 250 000 fishermen on 89 000 fishing vessels and 130 000 people working in the processing sector. Some **EUR 571 million** will be available under the **European Fisheries Fund** to ensure the future of our fish stocks and to offer alternative employment opportunities in all 300 coastal zones.

Investing in rural communities

EUR 12.4 billion for

People

Creating new employment opportunities

Economy

Making the agrifood sector stronger through knowledge transfer, modernisation and innovation

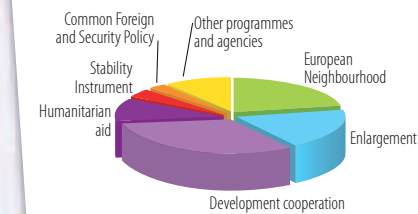
Environment

Protecting biodiversity and traditional agricultural landscapes, and promoting environment-friendly farming

The EU as a Global Player

Spreading peace, stability and prosperity beyond our borders

EUR 6.8 billion



Helping potential members get closer to the EU

EUR 1.3 billion will be available to Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and the western Balkans. These funds will be used for institution building, regional and cross-border cooperation, developing local human resources, etc.

Working together with our neighbours for mutual prosperity and stability

The **European neighbourhood instrument** will allocate **EUR 1.4 billion** to increase cooperation with neighbouring countries to the east and south, mainly in the fields of respect for human rights, sustainable development and the rule of law.

Tackling poverty in developing countries

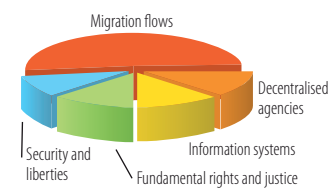
In addition to aid from the EU budget (EUR 2.2 billion), the EU countries will provide some **EUR 3.5 billion** for development projects in **77 African, Caribbean and Pacific** countries through the **European Development Fund**, also managed by the European Commission.



Freedom, Security and Justice & European Citizenship

Making Europe a safer place to live

EUR 624 million



More efficient protection of our external borders

Through the **External Borders Fund**, **EUR 170 million** will be used to improve controls over the flow of people across 91 000 km of land and sea borders, and to provide better consular services in third countries.

Managing migration together

The **European Integration Fund** will make **EUR 65 million** available to EU countries for helping both EU citizens and legal immigrants to live in a diverse society. An additional **EUR 67 million** will be available through the **European Refugee Fund** to help the EU countries that receive massive flows of refugees.

Protecting our health, our rights as consumers, promoting our culture

EUR 615 million



What to do in case of an EU-wide flu pandemic?

Around **EUR 3.7 million** will be used to set up a network of public health institutes, known as **Flusecure**, to share information and produce an effective flu vaccine quickly and in sufficient quantities.

Young Europeans make their voices heard

There are some 60 million Europeans between the ages of 15 and 25. With **EUR 115 million**, 'Youth in action' will provide more than **100 000 young Europeans** with the opportunity to participate in youth exchanges, the European Voluntary Service and to become active players in democratic life, both at national and European level.