

Multiannual Financial Framework 2028–2034: Designing Effective EU Climate Spending

JOINT WEBINAR
**WG Ecosystem Services &
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Context

The EU budget is set through the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), a long-term plan that decides how much money the EU can spend over several years and where it goes. Yet it is more than a budget, it shapes the Union's long-term direction. Each budget framework reflects political priorities, economic realities, and the collective choices of Member States about the kind of Europe they want to build. Europe is navigating a decade defined by climate commitments, biodiversity loss, energy transition pressures, and the need to strengthen resilience in the face of environmental and geopolitical shocks. How the EU allocates its budget will shape whether it can meet its Green Deal objectives, deliver on international climate obligations, and support Member States in transforming their economies.

This webinar assesses the European Commission's proposal for the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and what it could mean for future EU climate spending. The webinar will be opened by Kate Grinfoegele from the EEAC Secretariat, who will give a brief introduction to the Multiannual Financial Framework. The keynote speech will be given by Jeanet Benschop and Rob Williams from Trinomics, who will present their paper for the European Commission's ENVI Committee on the environmental impacts of the MFF proposal and what they could mean for EU climate and environmental spending. We will also be joined by Till Eichler from Transport & Environment, who will share his insights on the topic and a report he has written on the current discussion around the next EU budget.

Agenda

 **6 July**
15:00 - 16:00 CEST
Via Teams

- 15:00** Opening remarks by WG EC chair **Folmer de Haan (EEAC Board Member, Rli)**
- 15:05** Introducing the EU's Multiannual Financial Framework - **Kate Grinfoegele (EEAC Secretariat)**
- 15:10** Impacts of the 2028-2034 MFF Proposals on Climate and Environment, Assessment of the Commission proposals - **Jeanet Benschop & Rob Williams (Trinomics)**
- 15:25** The 2028–2034 EU long-term budget: what's in it for climate? - **Till Eichler (Transport & Environment)**
- 15:40** Questions and discussion with participants moderated by **Yaelle Reed (EEAC Network Coordinator)**
- 15:55** Closing remarks by **Aniek Linssen (Co-Chair WG Energy & Climate, WKR)**