COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2024/2906

of 14 November 2024

on the financial contributions to be paid by the parties to the European Development Fund to finance that fund, specifying the ceiling for 2026, the annual amount for 2025, the amount of the first instalment for 2025 and an indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amounts of contributions for the years 2027 and 2028

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union, meeting within the Council, on the financing of European Union aid under the multiannual financial framework for the period 2014 to 2020, in accordance with the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement and on the allocation of financial assistance for the Overseas Countries and Territories to which Part Four of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union applies ([1]), and in particular Article 7(2), in conjunction with Article 14(3) thereof,

Having regard to the Council Regulation (EU) 2018/1877 of 26 November 2018 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund, and repealing Regulation (EU) 2015/323 ([2]), and in particular Article 19(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

(1) In accordance with Article 46 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1877, the European Investment Bank ('EIB') is to send to the Commission its updated estimates of commitments and payments under the instruments it manages.

(2) In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 19(2) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1877, the Commission is to present a proposal by 15 October 2024 specifying the ceiling amount of the contribution for 2026, the annual amount of the contribution for 2025, the amount of the first instalment of the contribution for 2025 and an indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amounts of contributions for the years 2027 and 2028.

(3) Pursuant to Article 20(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1877, calls for contributions are to first use up the amounts provided for in previous European Development Funds ('EDF'). Therefore, a call for funds pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1877 for the Commission and for the EIB should be made.

(4) Pursuant to Article 152 of the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community ([3]) (the 'Withdrawal Agreement'), the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the 'United Kingdom') is to remain party to the EDF until the closure of the 11th EDF and all previous unclosed EDFs. However, pursuant to Article 153 of the Withdrawal Agreement, the United Kingdom's share in decommitted funds from projects under the 11th EDF, where those funds have been decommitted after 31 December 2020, or previous EDFs is not to be reused.

(5) Council Decision (EU) 2023/2586 ([4]), sets the ceiling for the annual amount of the contribution to be paid by the parties to the EDF for 2025 at EUR 800 000 000 for the Commission and at EUR 9 000 000 for the EIB.

(6) In order to allow for the prompt application of the measures it provides for, this Decision should enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

([1]) OJ L 210, 6.8.2013, p. 1.
([2]) Council Regulation (EU) 2018/1877 of 26 November 2018 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund, and repealing Regulation (EU) 2015/323 (OJ L 307, 3.12.2018, p. 1).
([3]) OJ L 29, 31.1.2020, p. 7.
([4]) Council Decision (EU) 2023/2586 of 13 November 2023 on the financial contributions to be paid by the parties to the European Development Fund to finance that fund, specifying the ceiling for 2025, the annual amount for 2024, the amount of the first instalment for 2024 and an indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amounts of contributions for the years 2026 and 2027 (OJ L, 2023/2586, 15.11.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2023/2586/oj).

Article 1

The ceiling for the annual amount of the contributions to be paid by the parties to the European Development Fund (EDF) for 2026 is hereby set at EUR 700 000 000 for the Commission.

Article 2

The annual amount of the contributions to be paid by the parties to the EDF for 2025 is hereby set at EUR 809 000 000. It shall be paid as follows:

(a) for the Commission, EUR 800 000 000; and

(b) for the European Investment Bank (EIB), EUR 9 000 000.

Article 3

The amount of the contributions to be paid by the parties to the EDF as a first instalment for 2025 is hereby set at EUR 359 000 000. It shall be paid as follows:

(a) for the Commission, EUR 350 000 000; and

(b) for the EIB, EUR 9 000 000.

Article 4

An amount of EUR 6 300 000 from uncommitted or decommitted funds from projects under the 9th EDF shall be refunded by a reduction of payment against the first instalment for 2025 set out in Article 3.

Article 5

The indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amount of contributions for 2027 is hereby set at EUR 500 000 000 for the Commission and at EUR 0 for the EIB. The indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amount of contributions for 2028 is hereby set at EUR 400 000 000 for the Commission and at EUR 0 for the EIB.

Article 6

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2024.

For the Council

The President

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ANNEX

1st instalment 2025 (EUR) to be paid to the Commission and the EIB

MEMBER STATES & UK	9th EDF key (%)	11th EDF key (%)	Commission			EIB	Commission + EIB
			11th EDF	Refund from the 9th EDF	11th EDF minus Refund 9th EDF	11th EDF	Total amount for the 1st instalment 2025
BELGIUM	3,92	3,24927	11 372 445	246 960	11 125 485	292 434	11 417 919
BULGARIA		0,21853	764 855	0	764 855	19 668	784 523
CZECHIA		0,79745	2 791 075	0	2 791 075	71 771	2 862 846
DENMARK	2,14	1,98045	6 931 575	134 820	6 796 755	178 241	6 974 996
GERMANY	23,36	20,57980	72 029 300	1 471 680	70 557 620	1 852 182	72 409 802
ESTONIA		0,08635	302 225	0	302 225	7 772	309 997
IRELAND	0,62	0,94006	3 290 210	39 060	3 251 150	84 605	3 335 755
GREECE	1,25	1,50735	5 275 725	78 750	5 196 975	135 662	5 332 637
SPAIN	5,84	7,93248	27 763 680	367 920	27 395 760	713 923	28 109 683
FRANCE	24,30	17,81269	62 344 415	1 530 900	60 813 515	1 603 142	62 416 657
CROATIA		0,22518	788 130	0	788 130	20 266	808 396
ITALY	12,54	12,53009	43 855 315	790 020	43 065 295	1 127 708	44 193 003
CYPRUS		0,11162	390 670	0	390 670	10 046	400 716
LATVIA		0,11612	406 420	0	406 420	10 451	416 871

MEMBER STATES & UK	9th EDF key (%)	11th EDF key (%)	Commission			EIB	Commission + EIB
			11th EDF	Refund from the 9th EDF	11th EDF minus Refund 9th EDF	11th EDF	Total amount for the 1st instalment 2025
LITHUANIA		0,18077	632 695	0	632 695	16 269	648 964
LUXEMBOURG	0,29	0,25509	892 815	18 270	874 545	22 958	897 503
HUNGARY		0,61456	2 150 960	0	2 150 960	55 310	2 206 270
MALTA		0,03801	133 035	0	133 035	3 421	136 456
NETHERLANDS	5,22	4,77678	16 718 730	328 860	16 389 870	429 910	16 819 780
AUSTRIA	2,65	2,39757	8 391 495	166 950	8 224 545	215 781	8 440 326
POLAND		2,00734	7 025 690	0	7 025 690	180 661	7 206 351
PORTUGAL	0,97	1,19679	4 188 765	61 110	4 127 655	107 711	4 235 366
ROMANIA		0,71815	2 513 525	0	2 513 525	64 634	2 578 159
SLOVENIA		0,22452	785 820	0	785 820	20 207	806 027
SLOVAKIA		0,37616	1 316 560	0	1 316 560	33 854	1 350 414
FINLAND	1,48	1,50909	5 281 815	93 240	5 188 575	135 818	5 324 393
SWEDEN	2,73	2,93911	10 286 885	171 990	10 114 895	264 520	10 379 415
UNITED KINGDOM (*)	12,69	14,67862	51 375 170	799 470	50 575 700	1 321 076	51 896 776
TOTAL EU-27 & UK	100,00	100,00	350 000 000	6 300 000	343 700 000	9 000 000	352 700 000

(*) Further to Article 153 of the Withdrawal Agreement, the UK formally requested in March 2023 that the Commission refunds their outstanding share of the 10th and 11th EDF reserves by netting-out their outstanding contribution to the EDF. This net-out will be reflected in the respective payment instructions.