

**Question for written answer E-003975/2026/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
Stanisław Tyszka (ESN)

Subject: Rising cost of EU debt and its impact on the future MFF

NextGenerationEU was financed through borrowing outside the usual expenditure limits of the multiannual financial framework (MFF). However, the debt incurred to finance NextGenerationEU grants will be repaid from future EU budgets over a period ending in 2058, funded by contributions from Member States and other own resources. The fact that grants to beneficiaries are non-repayable does not, therefore, mean that there will be no costs for future EU budgets.

In the 2028-2034 MFF proposal, the Commission has earmarked EUR 24 billion per year at current prices for interest payments and principal repayments on the grant component of NextGenerationEU.

In view of the above:

1. According to the Commission's latest estimates, what will be the total amount of interest and other financing costs for NextGenerationEU up to 2058?
2. How much will the EU budget spend in total in each year of the 2028-2034 MFF on repaying the principal and interest on the debt used to finance NextGenerationEU grants?
3. If the proposed new own resources are not adopted, who will foot the bill for the debt used to finance the NextGenerationEU grants: the Member States, through higher contributions, or beneficiaries of other programmes, through cuts to their funding?

Submitted: 1.10.2026