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**Question for written answer E-000474/25
to the Council
Jean-Marc Germain (S&D), Sandra Gómez López (S&D)
(4 February 2025)**

Subject: Position of the Council of the EU on new own resources

The Polish Presidency of the Council comes at a key moment. Facing many threats, we have no choice but to build a stronger Europe and we cannot achieve this without substantial financial resources. More than ever, now is the time to honour the promises of the 2020 Interinstitutional agreement ⁽¹⁾ (IIA).

Proposals for new resources have been on the table ever since the IIA was reached. The 2020 agreement set a deadline of June 2025. Under the Polish Presidency of the Council, it is up to the Member States to bring this project to a successful conclusion.

During the hearings, Commissioner Piotr Serafin stated that he wanted to start from the Commission's 2023 adjusted package for the next generation of own resources ⁽²⁾. By contrast, the Polish Prime Minister, Donald Tusk, questioned the relevance of the new emissions trading system (ETS2) in his speech to Parliament, while it constitutes a decisive part of the new own resources.

1. What steps does the Council intend to take to honour this 2020 promise, which is vital if we are to meet the challenges of the moment of change we are experiencing at the start of this year?
2. What new own resources does the Council of the EU intend to put on the table for discussion during these six months of the Polish Presidency?

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**Reply
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As regards the first question asked by the Honourable Members, the Council is working towards and deliberating on the introduction of new own resources, based on the various Commission proposals, in line with the 2020 Interinstitutional Agreement and its Roadmap towards the introduction of new own resources. The Council is committed to the regular dialogue between the institutions to take stock of progress.

As regards the second question asked by the Honourable Members, the Commission proposals on the table still need careful assessment. It is the Commission's prerogative to present any additional new proposals in this regard.

¹ OJ L 433 I, 22.12.2020, p. 28, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_interinst/2020/1222/oj.

² COM(2023)0330.