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Question for written answer E-003043/25
to the Commission
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Subject: Recovery and Resilience Facility — part one

According to data from the Commission, as at 30 June 2025, after four years of implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility, disbursements amounting to 48% of the total amount of this Facility will have been made, leaving only one year to implement this funding in full.

1. What is the Commission's forecast as regards the outstanding disbursements of the Recovery and Resilience Facility?

2. Does it plan to transfer 100% of the available resources, and alternatively, what is its forecast regarding unsubmitted payment requests and funds that cannot be transferred?

3. What actions does the Commission intend to take concerning the Recovery and Resilience Facility funds that are not transferred to the Member States, and will they be transferred to other programmes? If so, which?

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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Fitto on behalf of the European Commission
(19 September 2025)

The Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) was established as a temporary instrument with a clear end date in 2026. In line with the legal deadlines and the temporary nature of the Facility, the Commission must make the final payments by 31 December 2026. The pace of disbursements under the RRF has been swift overall. However, as set out in the Commission Communication 'NextGenerationEU — The road to 2026' ([1]), delays in implementation have increased over time.

By the end of August 2025, close to 56% of all funds were disbursed, for a total amount of EUR 362 billion. Between September and the end of 2025, the Commission expects to disburse more than 34 billion EUR, which would bring the share of disbursements to 61%.

In the above-mentioned Communication, the Commission has set a clear path forward guiding Member States to take all the necessary actions to ensure a smooth implementation of the RRF in its final months. Member States are revising their plans in order to address implementation challenges and to fully reap the benefits of the RRF.

Borrowing of funds under NextGenerationEU is based on expected funding needs and the use of funds borrowed is strictly limited to NextGenerationEU-related spending. Therefore, the total amount of net borrowing under NextGenerationEU will match the disbursements to be made to Member States under the RRF.

([1]) COM(2025) 310 final/2.