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The Commission proposal for the 2028–2034 multiannual financial framework (MFF)¹ aims at responding to Europe’s challenges and ensuring its long-term security and prosperity. It focuses on competitiveness, security, defence, migration, food security and strategic autonomy and a reinforced commitment to the European principles and values. It includes a tripling of the funding for migration, border management, and internal security compared to the current framework. These allocations will have to be used by the Member States for addressing specific needs and challenges. The Commission proposed to significantly strengthen the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) and the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol) by doubling their allocations.

The Commission supports Member States in addressing demographic challenges with a range of EU instruments and policies, including the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+). Under the proposal for the 2028–2034 MFF, support would be delivered through the National and Regional Partnership Plans, allowing Member States and regions to design measures providing an integrated framework for addressing economic, social and territorial challenges, by identifying and prioritising investments and reforms that respond to their specific demographic needs, in accordance with the applicable regulatory framework.

The Commission recognises the vital role of farmers to ensure food security and sustaining rural economies. This is reflected in the 2028–2034 MFF proposal by including a ring-fenced amount for agricultural income support, which can be complemented based on national and regional needs, including a 10% rural target and the possibility to programme part of the flexibility amount as of 2028 to address farmers’ needs.

¹ https://commission.europa.eu/strategy-and-policy/eu-budget/long-term-eu-budget/eu-budget-2028-2034_en.