

[25 September 2017: Commission welcomes stakeholders' views on the future of EU finances](#)

The news:

As part of the process started with the publication of the [Reflection Paper on the Future of EU finances](#), the Commission is organising on 25 September 2017 a conference on the challenges ahead of the European Union budget and the ways to address them. The event, entitled “The future of EU finances”, will gather stakeholders from different areas of the public– Member States, think tanks, EU institutions – to share their views on how the next multiannual financial framework (“MFF”) should look like. Commissioners Gunther H. Oettinger, in charge of Budget and Human Resources, Corina Crețu, in charge of Regional Policy, and Mariya Gabriel, dealing with Digital Economy, will contribute to the debate.

The background:

On 28 June 2017, the Commission published its fifth and last of a series of reflection papers whose goal is to feed the debate started on 1 March with the Commission’s [White Paper on the Future of Europe](#). The reflection paper maps out possible budgetary implications of the choices we can make.

Following its publication, Commissioner Günther H. Oettinger initiated a series of meetings with stakeholders, whose views are to feed into the next MFF. Commissioner Crețu visited many EU capitals to discuss the future Cohesion Policy.

The third annual conference on the challenges ahead of the EU budget is also a platform to gather feedback from stakeholders, so that the next MFF matches the expectations of the contributors to the EU budget and of its beneficiaries to the greatest extent.

The event:

On 25 September 2017, the European Commission organises the conference “The future of EU finances”.

The sources:

[Programme of the conference](#)

[More information](#) about the conference

Press release:[An EU budget fit for tomorrow: Commission opens debate on future of EU finances](#)

[Reflection paper the future of EU finances](#) (28 June 2017)

[Previous editions of the conference](#)