



## EMPOWER CITIZENS FOR THE FUTURE OF EUROPE

### 2. The Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) from 2021 to 2025 and from 2026 to 2030

Europe's leaders agreed in Sibiu that *"we will give ourselves the means to match our ambitions. We will provide the Union with the means necessary to attain its objectives and carry through its policies"*.

It is undeniable that the *"negotiating box"* presented by the Finnish presidency, significantly smaller than the proposals of the Commission in May and June 2018, is **totally inadequate** to fulfill the EU's agenda for the next five years in the fields of SDGs, cohesion, young people, migration and border management, security and external action, research, investment and digital transformation. Moreover, the negotiations have been founded on the *"original sin"* of the MFF, largely nourished by national contribution without the vigorous support of an EU autonomous fiscal capacity.

We welcome the decision of the European Parliament to **freeze the negotiations on MFF** making clear that *"nothing is agreed until everything is agreed"*.

We ask the European Parliament, the Council and the EU Commission:

- to **re-establish the five-years programming** of the Delors Package-I and as proposed by the EP (5+5), which is more coherent from an economic and democratic point of view;
- to **open a dialogue with CSOs** according to the principle of a participatory budget giving the civil society representative the possibility to overlook the process and the decision making;
- to assure that the 2021-2025 and then 2026-2030 MFF are **coherent to the SDGs**, the European Green Deal and the Agenda 2030;
- to give to the EU its **own resources** and open the way to a complete **co-decision power of the EP** (expenses and revenues).