

Special European Council Brussels, 1 February 2024

The special European Council meeting will take place **Thursday 1 February 2024** in Brussels, Belgium. The meeting will start at 10:00 with the exchange of views with the President of the European Parliament Roberta Metsola. Leaders will primarily focus on the revision of the multiannual financial framework (MFF) 2021-2027.

[Invitation letter by President Charles Michel to the members of the European Council](#)

Indicative schedule

Thursday, 1 February 2024

08:30: Arrivals

10:00: Exchange of views with the President of the European Parliament

10:30: Working session of the European Council

TTBC: Press conference by the President of the European Council, Charles Michel, and the President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen

EU long-term budget 2021-2027 (MFF)

EU leaders will follow up on the proposed revision of the multiannual financial framework (MFF) 2021-2027, with a view to reaching an agreement among 27. During the European Council meeting in December 2023, 26 leaders firmly supported a negotiating box with a clear set of main priorities: support for Ukraine, management of migration and its external dimension, support for the Western Balkans and EU's response to natural disasters.

The negotiating box provides for an additional financial envelope of €64.6 billion, which should be spent on the following new priorities:

- €50 billion for the Ukraine Facility (€17 billion in grants and €33 billion in loans)
- €2 billion for migration and border management
- €7.6 billion for the neighbourhood and the world
- €1.5 billion for the European Defence Fund under the new STEP instrument
- €2 billion for the flexibility instrument
- €1.5 billion for the solidarity and emergency aid reserve

On 10 January 2024, EU ambassadors approved partial mandates on the Ukraine Facility and on STEP.

- [Ukraine Facility: Council agrees on elements of new support mechanism for Ukraine \(press release, 10 January 2024\)](#)
- [Multiannual financial framework 2021-2027 negotiating box](#)
- [The EU long-term budget \(background information\)](#)

The European Council will also pay homage to former Commission President Jacques Delors, who passed away on 27 December 2023.
