

# Long-term EU budget 2021-27 (MFF)

## Education and youth programme Erasmus+



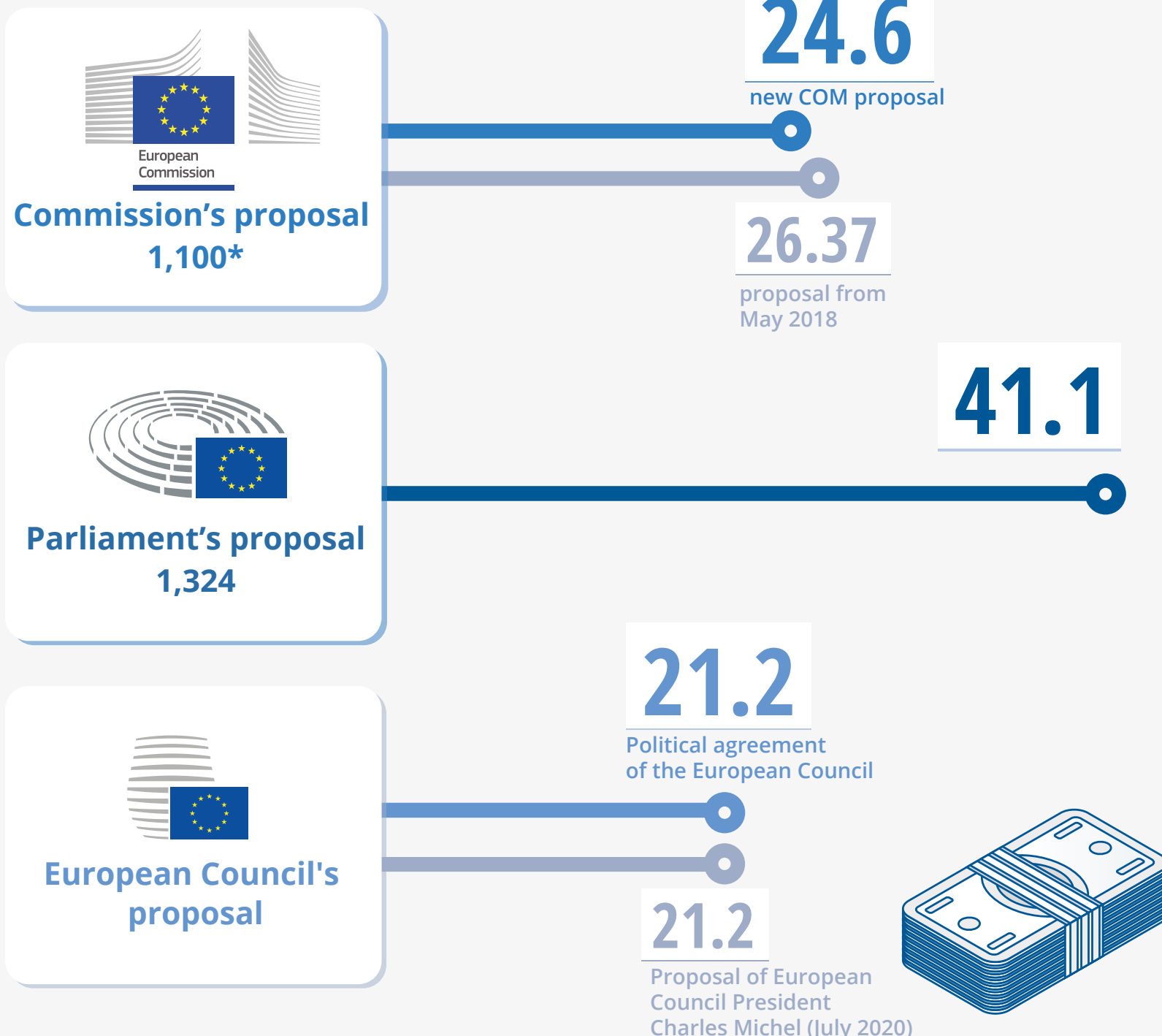
“With respect to the implementation of the Commission’s Skills Agenda, we want to place the focus on continuing education and training as the key labour market policy response to digital and environmental structural change and intensify the dialogue between Member States on this issue.”  
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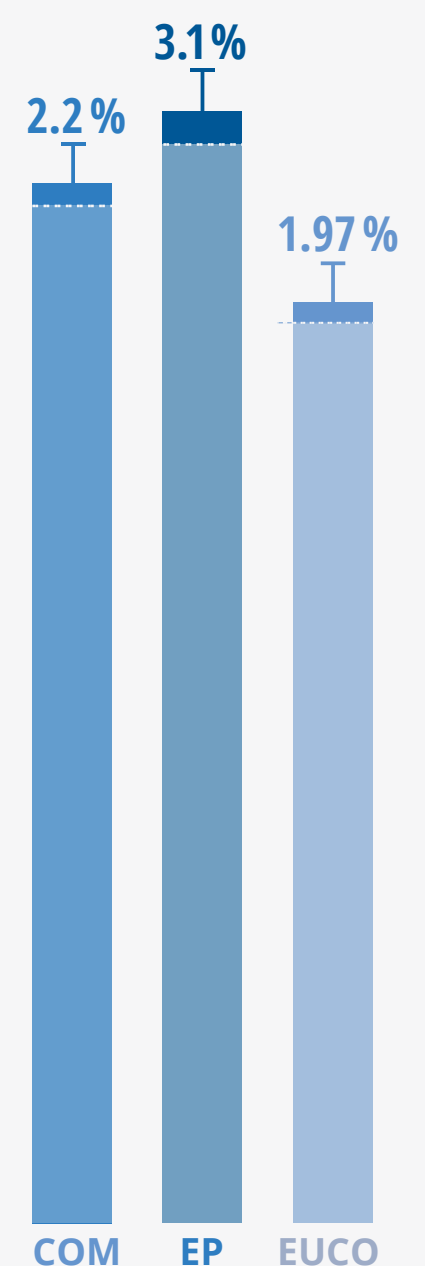
### ✓ IB's comment

“Digitalisation fundamentally changes working conditions and thus poses great challenges for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and their employees. The answer to these massive changes is to provide further training for employees in order to improve their skills profile. Our society and its citizens are confronted with existential change processes due to the far-reaching technological and demographic transition and the resulting economic, social and ecological conversion, which challenge the sustainability of our society. As a result of increasing digitalisation, the economy and the work environment are facing ever shorter innovation cycles. In the context of the world of work and the economy, digitalisation describes an ongoing, constantly evolving process that will never be completed. Continuing vocational training therefore is becoming increasingly important. Up to now, interest in the topic of continuing education in politics, business and society has been weakly developed; in order to meet future challenges, more extensive investments in education are needed to ensure a positive future for Europe, to be ecologically and socially just.”

### Proposals in billion euros (in 2018 prices)



### Share of total budget (without Recovery Instrument)



\*To facilitate comparison, the Commission proposal represents only the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) not including the Recovery Instrument.