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## EU summit

### A summit full of empty promises and words

Commenting on the result of the European Summit **Dany Cohn-Bendit**, Co-President of the Greens/EFA group in the European Parliament said:

*"Once again, petty narrow national interests dominated this summit. That the UK will get an even higher rebate is unacceptable. This ongoing bargaining between governments damages the image of the European Union. The agreed compromise on the Multi-annual Financial Framework is not sufficient to cope with the challenges of the crisis."*

**Rebecca Harms**, Co-President of the Greens/EFA group in the European parliament said:

*"Six billion euro against youth unemployment - this sounds good, but it is nothing more than a drop in the ocean. Money will still be lacking for other social projects of the EU. We need more than just promises and emergency rescue measures to help the young find jobs. The EU urgently needs to agree on a binding and soundly financed strategy against the ongoing and aggravating recession. Only a sustainable recovery of the economy will ensure that the young and the jobless have any prospects in the long term. The joint economic stimulus package should focus on investments in measures against climate change, for the development of renewable energies and for resource efficiency."*

*By organising her own summit against joblessness in Berlin, German chancellor Angela Merkel is showing that she doesn't care about common European interests, but only about getting re-elected in September."*

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