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MEPs vote for ambitious budget that invests in climate protection, youth & sea rescue

Quote from Rasmus Andresen MEP

Today, Members of the European Parliament's Committee on Budgetary Control agreed on the most ambitious budget decision in the history of the European Parliament, in their position on the European Commission's proposal for the EU's 2020 budget.

MEPs voted for more than €2 billion to be invested in climate protection and around €500 million to combat youth unemployment and promote youth exchanges through the Erasmus programme. The Greens/EFA group was successful in its demand for a new budget line for an EU sea rescue mission.

Rasmus Andresen, shadow rapporteur for the Greens/EFA group on the EU's 2020 budget, comments:

"This is the breakthrough for a budget that invests in climate protection, saves lives and promotes youth. For the first time, we have a separate budget line that paves the way for an EU sea rescue mission.

"This historic increase in the EU budget is a financial injection for climate protection and is a real remedy against youth unemployment. Now the heads of state and government must allow for future investments during negotiations.“

More:
In total, the budget for 2020 will be increased by €3 billion from €168 to €171 billion.

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