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**QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE MULTIANNUAL FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK**  
**WITH A VIEW TO THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEETING ON 28-29 JUNE 2012**

Europe needs "quality" growth to boost its economy, provide jobs and enhance investment. We have done much over the past two years to enhance growth, but we need to do more. The European Union budget must be a catalyst for growth across Europe, notably by leveraging productive investments.

On 28-29 June 2012, the European Council will, for the first time, hold a substantial discussion on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020. Over the past, the Presidency of the Council has work intensively on this dossier and has submitted a full Negotiating Box to the European Council.

Building on this work, the President of the European Council wishes to streamline the debate at the European Council around the following questions, without preventing Member States from intervening on other aspects :

*How can the different policies in the new MFF best contribute to the creation of growth and jobs and enhance the quality of EU spending?*

*How should we prioritise spending among the different policy areas and better align it with the Europe 2020 strategy?*

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