Programme for the environment and climate action, LIFE 2014-2020

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The Council was briefed by the Presidency on **progress** regarding the proposal for a Regulation on the establishment of a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) for the period 2014-2020.

This proposal is dependant on the outcome of the discussions on MFF, since the final budget to be allocated to the LIFE Programme depends on it. Nevertheless, both the European Parliament and the Council agreed to enter into negotiations and **three informal trilogue meetings have already taken place** .

Significant progress has been made on several key issues but **further work is required in particular on**:

- indicative national allocations,
- co-financing rates,
- and overseas countries and territories.

The European Parliament’s Environment Committee voted 81 amendments on the proposal on 19 September 2012. The EP must now adopt its first reading position.