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Title:	**AM-65-1 to Res 2.: A budget for a sovereign Europe**
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Demands

From line 65 to 69:

- ~~By means of the European Competitiveness Fund (ECF) the next MFF will create a new instrument to boost Europe's competitiveness. The Commission and EU Member States should ensure that the ECF resources are aimed at creating European added value and transnational infrastructure rather than strengthening national industries.~~

- **The European Competitiveness Fund (ECF) must strengthen Europe's long-term competitiveness and accelerate its transition towards a climate-neutral, circular and resource-efficient economy. ECF resources should create European added value, develop clean industries and transnational infrastructure, and reduce strategic dependencies, rather than subsidise national industries at the expense of common European objectives.**

- **Environmental, climate and pollution action must not be made conditional on its contribution to industrial competitiveness. LIFE, the EU's only funding programme exclusively dedicated to climate and environmental action, must be preserved as a dedicated programme with an increased and ring-fenced budget. Should LIFE be integrated into broader funding**

instruments, its objectives, dedicated financial resources, governance structures and accessibility to civil society and other non-commercial actors must be safeguarded.

Explanation / Comment

Protects dedicated environmental funding, including activities that deliver European public goods without a direct commercial return.