

Motions

Motion number	6
Name of the person introducing the Motion to the GA	Anke Spoorendonk
Member party	SSW and SP
Title (of the Motion)	For strong European regions – No centralization of agricultural and regional funds.
<p>Text of the motion:</p> <p>The EFA Congress calls on the European Commission to maintain decentralized regional funding for the 2028–2034 period.</p> <p>Justification:</p> <p>The EFA Congress is deeply concerned about the European Commission’s plans for the EU’s Multiannual Financial Framework 2028–2034. According to these plans, the Commission intends to centralize EU regional funding within the 27 Member States, instead of continuing to finance the regions directly. The current 530 regional programs would be transformed into 27 national funds, meaning that regions and local authorities would no longer have access to direct funding. Instead, national governments of the Member States would decide how and where the funds are distributed.</p> <p>This is extremely concerning and would have devastating consequences for many European regions. It would represent a step backward to a time when the EU was merely a union of states. The EFA advocates for a Europe of the regions.</p> <p>The EU’s cohesion funds, which are allocated directly to the regions, are a prime example of effective financial distribution within the EU. In recent years, EU institutions have worked to bring the Union closer to its citizens. The regional programs are among the most tangible EU initiatives, directly impacting people’s daily lives. They are developed locally—bottom-up—and respond more effectively to the real needs and aspirations of Europe’s diverse communities.</p> <p>A return to a centralized model would put all of this at risk.</p>	

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