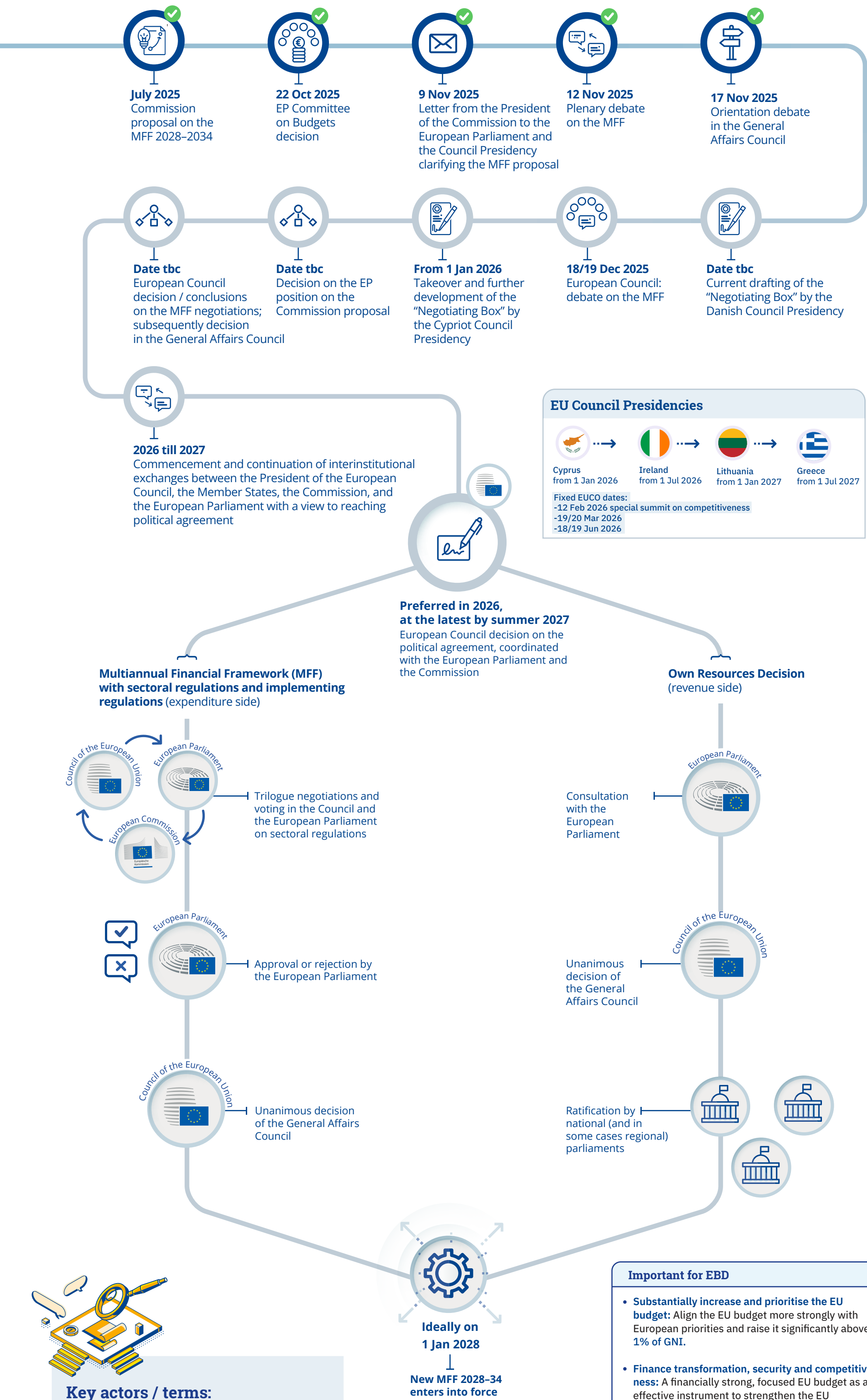


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Important for EBD

- Substantially increase and prioritise the EU budget:** Align the EU budget more strongly with European priorities and raise it significantly above 1% of GNI.
- Finance transformation, security and competitiveness:** A financially strong, focused EU budget as an effective instrument to strengthen the EU economy's ecological and digital transformation, security in Europe, and competitiveness.
- Strengthen the revenue side through EU own resources (without creating a new tax burden):** NGEU repayment must not be financed solely through higher national contributions, but rather transparently and in a targeted way via EU own resources that do not create a new tax burden; open debate on sensible, proportionate, growth-enhancing options.
- Fairness in payments: abolish rebates:** To ensure equal access to MFF funds, national rebates in the EU budget should be abolished.
- Strengthen democracy & oversight, modernise procedures:** Involve the European Parliament, the Bundestag and representative stakeholders more strongly; align the MFF period with the European Parliament's legislative term; strengthen the European Court of Auditors' cooperation with national audit institutions (with stronger powers of intervention) – plus a "democracy bonus" in funding; in the medium term, qualified majority voting in the Council and equivalent parliamentary involvement/oversight.

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