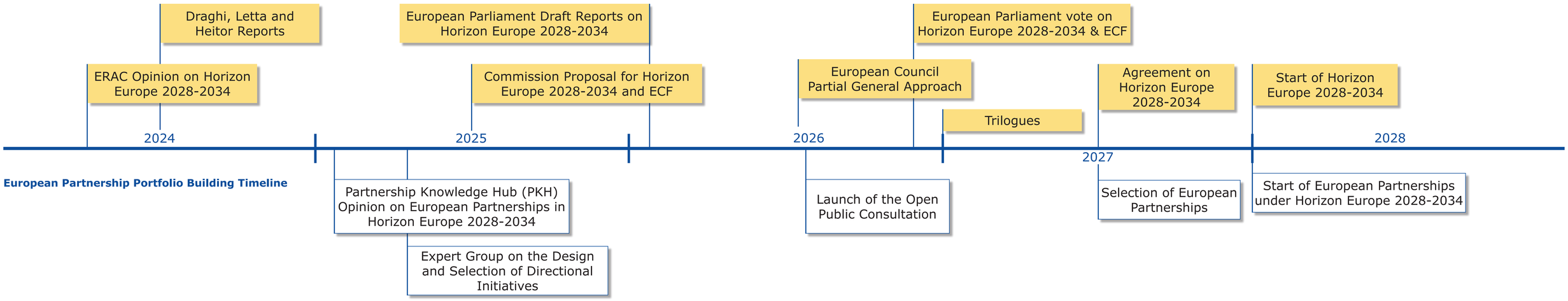
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16 July 2025	European Commission proposal for the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2028-2034. EC proposes EUR 409 billion for the European Competitiveness Fund (ECF), including EUR 175 billion for Horizon Europe 2028-2034 (FP10).
3 March 2026	European Parliament: draft reports on Horizon Europe 2028-2034 published (Christian Ehler, lead rapporteur, Regulation); First Committee opinions tabled until 9 April 2026.
16 June 2026	Council agrees its partial negotiating position on the ECF.
26 June 2026	Council agrees its partial general approach on Horizon Europe 2028-2034 (= Council negotiating mandate); budget items remain open pending the MFF.
15-16 October 2026	European Council: MFF 2028-2034. Budget agreement targeted by the end of 2026; considered ambitious.
9-10 November 2026	ITRE committee vote on the Horizon Europe Regulation and the ECF (postponed from 10 September).
23-26 November 2026	European Parliament: first-reading vote (provisional; session 23-26 November, ECF report indicated for the same session). Adopts the European Parliament negotiating mandate and opens the way to trilogues.
Late 2026 - 2027	Trilogues (European Parliament, Council of the European Union, European Commission); pace set by the MFF settlement.
2027	Adoption of the Horizon Europe 2028-2034 package and of the MFF (aiming for mid-2027; official target before the end of 2027); first work programmes from autumn 2027.
1 January 2028	Start of Horizon Europe 2028-2034 (FP10)

European Partnership Portfolio Building Timeline

April 2025	Commission publishes call for the Expert Group on the Design and Selection of Directional Initiatives (E03996).
15-16 April 2026	ERAC plenary (Cyprus): first exchange on the strategic approach to European Partnerships under Horizon Europe 2028-2034.
March-June 2026	Consultations of Commission services and Member States / Associated Countries on the portfolio building approach and thematic priorities (~1,000 thematic suggestions from 15 services and 30 MS/ACs).
16 June 2026	Call for Evidence on future Joint Undertakings and Art. 185 initiatives under Horizon Europe 2028-2034.
10 July - 16 October 2026	Public consultation on the Single Basic Act (Joint Undertakings), Article 185 and the thematic priorities of the partnership portfolio; summary around 8 weeks after closure.
12-13 October 2026	ERAC plenary (Dublin): state of play on European Partnerships; emerging portfolio configuration; options for collecting expressions of interest and commitments.
End of 2026	Convergence with Member States and associated countries on the partnership portfolio (indicative timetable); further technical discussions with PKH and strategic guidance from ERAC, if needed.
Early 2027	Commission proposal for the Single Basic Act (plus possible separate legal acts for Article 185 initiatives).
2027	Preparatory work towards the selection of partnerships (consortia, SRIAs, indicative commitments) - subject to the final legal framework.
2028	Launch of the new European Partnerships, together with the start of Horizon Europe 2028-2034 (FP10).

Disclaimer: These timelines illustrate a selection of the key stages of ongoing preparations and are not intended to provide a comprehensive overview. Planned actions and future dates can be subject to change.