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SEC3 Item 01 01 01 03 — Other management expenditure for Horizon Europe — Indirect research

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
89 708 205	77 388 205	89 708 205	89 708 205	89 708 205

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover other administrative expenditure for the management of the specific research and innovation programme — Horizon Europe, in the form of indirect actions, including other administrative expenditure incurred by staff posted in Union delegations.

It is also intended to cover expenditure on technical and administrative assistance relating to the management of the programme, such as conferences, translations, workshops, seminars, missions, training, and representation expenses, studies, meetings of experts, information and publications and any other expenditure on technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts.

It is also intended to cover expenditure related to the development and maintenance of IT systems needed for the management and implementation of the programme.

It will also cover building-related expenditure of Commission services managing the programme.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Proceeds from EURI	1 144 097 5 0 4 0
EFTA-EEA	2 380 330 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	390 385 6 0 1 0
Other countries	40 930 829 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 01 01 13 — Other management expenditure for Horizon Europe — Direct research

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
52 296 000	51 950 000	52 296 000	52 296 000	52 296 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover:

— staff-related expenditure not covered by Items 01 01 01 11 and 01 01 01 12 including missions, training, medical and social services, expenditure on organising competitions, interviewing candidates and representation costs,

— expenditure in respect of all resources used for the implementation of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) activities; this includes:

  — expenses related to the operation and functioning of JRC directorates: regular maintenance of buildings, technical infrastructure and scientific equipment; utilities and fluids; heating, cooling and ventilation; workshop materials and equipment; cleaning of sites, roads and buildings; waste management, etc.,

— expenses related to the administrative support of JRC directorates: furniture; stationery; telecommunications; documentation and publications; transport; miscellaneous supplies; general insurance, etc.,

— expenses related to the safety and security of the sites: health and safety at work; radioprotection; fire brigade, etc.,

— IT-related expenditure: computer rooms; hardware and software; networking services; fees for participation in scientific and technical collaborative projects or procuring access to proprietary data and information; information systems; helpdesk and assistance to users, etc.,

— non-recurrent costs: renovation, rehabilitation and construction works on the JRC sites. It addresses expenses such as exceptional maintenance costs, renovation works and adaptation to new standards,

— expenditure in respect of all resources for the financing of major research infrastructure projects, in particular the construction of new buildings, the complete refurbishment of existing buildings and the purchase of important equipment related to the technical infrastructure of the sites.

This appropriation can be supplemented by appropriations that the JRC will receive by participating on a competitive basis in indirect actions and in scientific and technical activities in support of Union policies. The activities of a competitive nature conducted by the JRC shall consist of:

— activities carried out following grant or procurement procedures,

— activities on behalf of third parties,

— activities undertaken under an administrative agreement with other institutions or other Commission departments for the provision of technical-scientific services.

Revenue from competitive activities will be used to cover, inter alia, expenditure incurred on staff and resources in respect of activities in support of the Union's policies and work for third parties carried out by the JRC.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	1 370 155 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	354 426 6 0 1 0
Other countries	46 162 470 6 0 1 0
Other assigned revenue	1 164 000 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 01 02 03 — Other management expenditure for the Euratom Research and Training Programme — Indirect research

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
2 502 788	1 502 788	2 502 788	2 502 788	2 502 788

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover other administrative expenditure for all the management and implementation of the Euratom Research and Training Programme, in the form of indirect actions under the nuclear programmes, including other administrative expenditure incurred by staff posted in Union delegations.

It is also intended to cover expenditure on technical and administrative assistance relating to the management of the programme, such as conferences, workshops, seminars, translations, missions, training, and representation expenses, studies, meetings of experts, information and publications and any other expenditure on technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts.

It will also cover building-related expenditure of Commission services managing the programme as well the development and maintenance of programme-specific and corporate IT systems needed for the implementation of the programme.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	77 817 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 01 02 13 — Other management expenditure for the Euratom Research and Training Programme — Direct research

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
35 696 909	35 314 909	35 696 909	35 696 909	35 696 909

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover:

— staff-related expenditure not covered by Items 01 01 02 11 and 01 01 02 12, including on missions, training, medical and social services, expenditure on organising competitions, interviewing candidates and representation costs,

— expenditure in respect of all resources used for the implementation of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) activities; this includes:

  — expenses related to the operation and functioning of JRC directorates: regular maintenance of buildings, technical infrastructure and scientific equipment; utilities and fluids; heating, cooling and ventilation; workshop materials and equipment; cleaning of sites, roads and buildings; waste management, etc.,

  — expenses related to the administrative support of JRC directorates: furniture; stationery; telecommunications; documentation and publications; transport; miscellaneous supplies; general insurance, etc.,

  — expenses related to the safety and security of the sites: health and safety at work; radioprotection; fire brigade, etc.,

  — IT-related expenditure: computer rooms; hardware and software; networking services; information systems; helpdesk and assistance to users, etc.,

  — non-recurrent costs: renovation, rehabilitation and construction works on the JRC sites. It addresses expenses such as exceptional maintenance costs, renovation works and adaptation to new standards.

— expenditure in respect of all resources for the financing of major research infrastructure projects, in particular the construction of new buildings, the complete refurbishment of existing buildings and the purchase of important equipment related to the technical infrastructure of the sites.

This appropriation can be supplemented by appropriations that the JRC will receive by participating on a competitive basis in indirect actions and in scientific and technical activities in support of Union policies. The activities of a competitive nature conducted by the JRC shall consist of:

— activities carried out following grant or procurement procedures,

— activities on behalf of third parties,

— activities undertaken under an administrative agreement with other institutions or other Commission departments for the provision of technical-scientific services.

Revenue from competitive activities will be used to cover, inter alia, expenditure incurred on staff and resources in respect of activities in support of the Union's policies and work for third parties carried out by the JRC.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	5 297 526 6 0 1 0
Other assigned revenue	1 167 000 6 0 1 1

SEC3 Chapter 01 02 — Horizon Europe

Remarks

Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation aims at delivering scientific, technological, economic and societal impact from the Union's investments in research and innovation so as to strengthen the scientific and technological bases of the Union and foster its competitiveness in all Member States including in its industry, deliver on the Union's strategic priorities, contribute to the realisation of Union objectives and policies, contribute to tackling global challenges, including the Sustainable Development Goals by following the principles of Agenda 2030 and the Paris Agreement, and strengthen the European Research Area. Horizon Europe shall thus maximise Union added value by focusing on objectives and activities that cannot be effectively realised by Member States acting alone, but in cooperation.

Horizon Europe shall:

— develop, promote and advance scientific excellence, support the creation and diffusion of high-quality new fundamental and applied knowledge, skills, technologies and solutions, training and mobility of researchers, attract talent at all levels and contribute to full engagement of the Union's talent pool in actions supported under Horizon Europe,

— generate knowledge, strengthen the impact of research and innovation in developing, supporting and implementing Union policies and support the access to and uptake of innovative solutions in European industry, notably in SMEs, and in society to address global challenges, including climate change and the Sustainable Development Goals,

— foster all forms of innovation, facilitate technological development, demonstration and knowledge and technology transfer, strengthen deployment and exploitation of innovative solutions,

— optimise Horizon Europe's delivery for strengthening and increasing the impact and attractiveness of the European Research Area, to foster the excellence-based participations from all Member States, including low R&I performing Member States, in Horizon Europe and to facilitate collaborative links in European research and innovation.

Horizon Europe shall ensure the effective promotion of equal opportunities for all and the implementation of gender mainstreaming, including the integration of the gender dimension in R&I content.

Horizon Europe shall be implemented in synergy with other Union programmes while aiming for maximal administrative simplification.

In accordance with Articles 21, 22 and 24 of the Financial Regulation, contributions received from third countries (EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, candidate countries and, if applicable, the Western Balkan potential candidates, or other third countries) for participating in Union programmes and any other assigned revenue entered in the statement of revenue give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under this chapter.

The related estimated amounts as well as the corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue are indicated, wherever possible, in the relevant budget lines.

In addition, and in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2020/2094, external assigned revenue resulting from proceeds of the European Union Recovery Instrument entered in the statement of revenue give rise to the provision of appropriations for this programme under this title for a total amount of EUR 5 412 000 000 in commitments. Such amounts had to be legally committed before the end of 2023 with the exception of administrative expenditure for which the amounts are indicated in the budget remarks of the relevant budget lines under this title.

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2020/2094 of 14 December 2020 establishing a European Union Recovery Instrument to support the recovery in the aftermath of the COVID-19 crisis (OJ L 433 I, 22.12.2020, p. 23, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2020/2094/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination, and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1290/2013 and (EU) No 1291/2013 (OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/695/oj).

Council Decision (EU) 2021/764 of 10 May 2021 establishing the Specific Programme implementing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, and repealing Decision 2013/743/EU (OJ L 167 I, 12.5.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2021/764/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2021 establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe, amending and repealing Decision No 466/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) 2017/1601 and Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 480/2009 (OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/947/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2 December 2021 establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013 (EU) No 1307/2013 (OJ L 435, 6.12.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/2115/oj).

SEC3 Item 01 02 01 01 — European Research Council

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 160 026 538	2 386 929 572	2 154 526 538	2 385 029 572	2 160 026 538	2 386 929 572	2 160 026 538	2 386 929 572	2 160 026 538	2 386 929 572

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to provide attractive and flexible funding to enable talented and creative individual researchers, with an emphasis on early stage researchers, and their teams to pursue the most promising avenues at the frontier of science, regardless of their nationality and country of origin and on the basis of Union-wide competition based solely on the criterion of excellence.

The activities of the European Research Council shall support frontier research, in a bottom-up manner, carried out across all fields by principal investigators and their teams in competition at the European level, including early-stage career researchers.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	56 592 695 6 6 0 0
Other countries	946 436 466 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 02 01 03 — Research infrastructures

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
336 115 290	279 114 521	325 715 290	275 664 521	336 115 290	279 114 521	336 115 290	279 114 521	336 115 290	279 114 521

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to endow Europe with world-class sustainable research infrastructures open and accessible to all researchers in Europe and beyond, which fully exploit their potential for scientific advance and innovation. Key objectives are to reduce the fragmentation of the research and innovation ecosystem, avoiding duplication of effort, and to better coordinate the design, development, accessibility and use of research infrastructures, including those financed from the European Regional Development Fund.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	8 806 221 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	705 729 6 0 1 0
Other countries	71 528 262 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 02 02 10 — Cluster ‘Health’

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
760 906 035	762 211 165	686 406 035	737 381 165	776 406 035	769 961 165	760 906 035	762 211 165	767 656 035	763 898 665

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover activities to improve and protect the health and well-being of citizens at all ages. It is to be used to generate new knowledge, develop innovative solutions, and ensure where relevant the integration of a gender perspective to:

— prevent, diagnose, monitor, treat and cure diseases,

— develop health technologies,

— mitigate health risks,

— protect populations,

— promote good health and well-being, also in the work place,

— make public health systems more cost effective, equitable and sustainable,

— prevent and tackle poverty-related diseases, and supporting and enabling patients' participation and self-management.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	19 935 738 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	1 623 965 6 0 1 0
Other countries	289 540 978 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 02 02 20 — Cluster 'Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society'

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
315 749 388	276 250 246	305 349 388	272 800 246	317 749 388	277 250 246	315 749 388	276 250 246	317 749 388	276 750 246

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to strengthen democratic values, including the rule of law and fundamental rights, safeguarding our cultural heritage, exploring the potential of cultural and creative sectors, and promote socio-economic transformations that contribute to inclusion and growth, including migration management and integration of migrants.

This appropriation is also intended to cover an increase required for a better integration of gender perspective.

In accordance with Article 15(3) of the Financial Regulation, an amount of EUR 6 333 817 in commitment appropriations, corresponding to the originally agreed Multiannual Financial Framework, is available for this item further to decommitments made in 2025 as a result of total or partial non-implementation of research projects.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	8 272 634 6 6 0 0

Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	1 064 138 6 0 1 0
Other countries	42 375 335 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 02 02 41 — Cluster ‘Digital, Industry and Space’ — European High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
307 775 829	339 849 858	296 775 829	336 179 858	322 775 829	347 349 858	307 775 829	339 849 858	312 775 829	341 099 858

Remarks

The European High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC) shall contribute to the implementation of Horizon Europe, in particular cluster Digital, Industry and Space. It shall have the objective of putting Europe back at the forefront of supercomputing technology and of providing researchers, industry, SMEs and public authorities with access to world-class supercomputers unleashing their innovation and transformation potential.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	8 063 727 6 6 0 0
Other countries	40 900 000 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2026/150 of 16 January 2026 amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1173 on establishing the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (*OJ L, 2026/150, 19.1.2026, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2026/150/oj*).

SEC3 Item 01 02 02 42 — Cluster ‘Digital, Industry and Space’ — Chips Joint Undertaking

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
283 891 944	224 658 869	283 891 944	224 658 869	283 891 944	224 658 869	196 891 944	137 658 869	196 891 944	137 658 869

Remarks

The Chips Joint Undertaking shall contribute to the implementation of Horizon Europe, in particular cluster Digital, Industry and Space with the aim of supporting:

— large-scale capacity building throughout investment into cross-border and openly accessible research, development and innovation infrastructure set up in the Union to enable the development of cutting-edge and next-generation semiconductor technologies that will reinforce the Union’s advanced design, systems integration, and chips production capabilities, including emphasis on start-ups and scale-ups,

— key digital technologies that encompass electronic components, their design, manufacture and integration in systems and the software that defines how they work. The overarching objective of this partnership is to support the digital transformation of all economic and societal sectors, make the transformation work for Europe and support the European Green Deal.

In accordance with Article 15(3) of the Financial Regulation, an amount of EUR 8 663 466 in commitment appropriations, corresponding to the originally agreed Multiannual Financial Framework, is available for this item further to decommitments made in 2025 as a result of total or partial non-implementation of research projects.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	7 437 969 6 6 0 0
Other countries	66 500 000 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014 (OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/2085/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/1781 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 September 2023 establishing a framework of measures for strengthening Europe's semiconductor ecosystem and amending Regulation (EU) 2021/694 (Chips Act) (OJ L 229, 18.9.2023, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1781/oj).

Council Regulation (EU) 2023/1782 of 25 July 2023 amending Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe, as regards the Chips Joint Undertaking (OJ L 229, 18.9.2023, p. 55, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1782/oj).

SEC3 Item 01 02 02 50 — Cluster 'Climate, Energy and Mobility'

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 263 747 575	1 538 409 917	1 243 747 575	1 531 709 917	1 279 247 575	1 546 159 917	1 263 747 575	1 538 409 917	1 268 497 575	1 539 597 417

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the fight against climate change by better understanding its causes, evolution, risks, impacts and opportunities, and by making the energy and transport sectors more climate and environment-friendly, more efficient and competitive, smarter, safer and more resilient.

In accordance with Article 15(3) of the Financial Regulation, an amount of EUR 819 459 in commitment appropriations, corresponding to the originally agreed Multiannual Financial Framework, is available for this item further to decommitments made in 2025 as a result of total or partial non-implementation of research projects.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	33 110 186 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	5 216 983 6 0 1 0

Other countries	233 949 158 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 02 02 52 — Cluster ‘Climate, Energy and Mobility’ — Clean Aviation Joint Undertaking

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
325 960 843	145 106 917	238 960 843	116 106 917	325 960 843	145 106 917	325 960 843	145 106 917	325 960 843	145 106 917

Remarks

The Clean Aviation Joint Undertaking shall contribute to the implementation of Horizon Europe, in particular cluster ‘Climate, Energy and Mobility’. It puts aviation on course for climate neutrality, by accelerating the development, integration, and validation of mainly disruptive research and innovation solutions so that they can be deployed as soon as possible. It also aims to develop the next generation of ultra-efficient low-carbon aircraft, with novel power sources, engines, and systems, which will emerge from the research and demonstration phase at a high technology-readiness level.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	8 540 174 6 6 0 0
Other countries	32 000 000 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014 (OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/2085/oj).

SEC3 Item 01 02 02 60 — Cluster ‘Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment’

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 042 288 981	958 318 841	1 042 288 981	958 318 841	1 057 288 981	965 818 841	1 042 288 981	958 318 841	1 045 288 981	959 068 841

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to build a knowledge base and deliver solutions to: protect the environment; restore, sustainably manage natural and biological resources from land, inland waters and sea to stop biodiversity erosion; address food and nutrition security for all, support the transition to a low-carbon, resource-efficient and circular economy; and develop a sustainable bioeconomy.

These activities will help to maintain and enhance biodiversity and secure the long-term provision of ecosystem services, such as climate change adaptation and mitigation and carbon sequestration (both on land and sea). They will help reduce greenhouse gas and other emissions, waste and pollution from primary production (both terrestrial and aquatic), the use of hazardous substances, processing, consumption and other human activities. Activities will also foster participatory approaches to research and innovation, including the multi-actor approach and develop knowledge, and innovation systems at local, regional, national and European levels.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	27 307 971 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	4 693 689 6 0 1 0
Other countries	134 035 156 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 02 03 01 — European Innovation Council

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 144 270 969	1 514 159 721	1 144 270 969	1 514 159 721	1 144 270 969	1 514 159 721	1 282 485 133	1 514 159 721	1 282 485 133	1 514 159 721

Remarks

The European Innovation Council (EIC) is intended to focus mainly on breakthrough and disruptive innovation, targeting especially market-creating innovation, while also supporting all types of innovation, including incremental.

The EIC shall:

— identify, develop and deploy high risk innovations of all kinds including incremental, with a strong focus on breakthrough, disruptive and deep-tech innovations that have the potential to become market-creating innovations, and

— support the rapid scale-up of innovative companies mainly SMEs, including start-ups and in exceptional cases small mid-caps at Union and international levels along the pathway from ideas to market.

Where relevant, the EIC shall contribute to the activities supported under other parts of Horizon Europe, in particular in Pillar II.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	29 979 899 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	529 791 6 0 1 0
Other countries	371 889 596 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 01 02 03 03 — European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
379 354 666	217 756 185	379 354 666	217 756 185	379 354 666	217 756 185	241 140 502	217 756 185	241 140 502	217 756 185

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover EIT's staff and administrative expenditure, and operational expenditure relating to the work programme, including the Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) designated by the EIT.

The overall mission of the EIT is to boost sustainable European economic growth and competitiveness by reinforcing the innovation capacity of the Member States and the Union. In particular, the EIT reinforces the Union's innovation capacity and addresses societal challenges through the integration of the knowledge triangle of higher education, research and innovation. The EIT operates through its KICs: large-scale European partnerships which address specific societal challenges by bringing together education, research and business organisations. The EIT provides grants to the KICs, monitors their activities, supports cross-KIC collaboration and disseminates results and good practices.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	9 939 092 6 6 0 0
Other countries	81 709 756 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2021/819 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 on the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (OJ L 189, 28.5.2021, p. 61, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/819/oj).

Decision 2021/820 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 on the Strategic Innovation Agenda of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) 2021-2027: Boosting the Innovation Talent and Capacity of Europe and repealing Decision No 1312/2013/EU (OJ L 189, 28.5.2021, p. 91, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2021/820/oj).

SEC3 Article 01 03 01 — Fusion research and development

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
122 196 293	19 406 705	117 596 293	17 876 705	122 196 293	19 406 705	122 196 293	19 406 705	122 196 293	19 406 705

Remarks

This appropriation aims to foster the development of fusion energy as a potential future energy source for electricity production and contribute to the implementation of the European fusion roadmap. A co-funded European Partnership in fusion research will implement this roadmap towards the goal of fusion electricity production by the second half of this century. The fusion research and development activity contributes also to maintaining and further developing expertise and competence in the field in the Union.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	5 550 871 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 01 03 02 — Nuclear fission, safety and radiation protection (indirect actions)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
55 810 863	65 674 472	53 110 863	64 774 472	55 810 863	65 674 472	55 810 863	65 674 472	55 810 863	65 674 472

Remarks

This appropriation aims to improve and support nuclear safety, security, safeguards, radiation protection, safe spent fuel and radioactive waste management and decommissioning, including the safe and secure use of nuclear power and of non-power applications of ionising radiation. It also contributes to maintaining and further developing expertise and competence in the field in the Union.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	2 511 108 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 01 03 03 — Nuclear direct actions of the Joint Research Centre

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
12 500 000	11 000 000	10 500 000	10 350 000	12 500 000	11 000 000	12 500 000	11 000 000	12 500 000	11 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the scientific and technical support and research activities carried out by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) to implement the Euratom Research and Training Programme. That programme shall contribute to the achievement of its specific objectives:

— improve the safe and secure use of nuclear energy and non-power applications of ionising radiation, including nuclear safety, security, safeguards, radiation protection, safe spent fuel and radioactive waste management and decommissioning,

— maintain and further develop expertise and competence in the Community,

— support the policy of the Community on nuclear safety, safeguards and security.

This appropriation also addresses the activities necessary for implementing safeguards pursuant to Chapter 7 of Title II of the Euratom Treaty and the obligations arising from the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and implementation of the Commission's programme to support the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

It covers specific expenditure relating to research and support activities, including the purchase of scientific and technical equipment, subcontracting of scientific and technical services, access to information and acquisition of consumables. This includes expenditure on scientific infrastructure directly incurred for the projects concerned, as well as expenses linked to the cost of the use of JRC physical research infrastructures by external users accessing them in order to conduct research, undertake experimental development, or provide education and training.

This appropriation also covers expenditure of any type concerning research and scientific support tasks relating to activities under this article entrusted to the JRC within the framework of its participation on a competitive basis in support of Union policies and on behalf of outside bodies.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	163 841 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 01 04 01 — Construction, operation and exploitation of the ITER facilities — European Joint Undertaking for ITER — and the Development of Fusion Energy

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
654 732 051	715 326 844	584 732 051	692 026 844	654 732 051	715 326 844	654 732 051	715 326 844	654 732 051	715 326 844

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the administrative and running costs of the European Joint Undertaking for ITER- and the Development of Fusion Energy (Fusion for Energy).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	30 106 413 6 0 1 0
Other assigned revenue	2 069 156 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Article 01 20 02 — Preparatory actions

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	7 618 977	p.m.	7 618 977	1 850 000	8 543 977	p.m.	7 618 977	1 850 000	8 081 477

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of preparatory actions in the field of applications of the TFEU and the Euratom Treaty, designed to prepare proposals with a view to the adoption of future actions.

The list of preparatory actions is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PA 01.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (b), of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Item 02 01 30 01 — Support expenditure for the Digital Europe Programme

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
24 160 351	19 160 351	32 160 351	24 160 351	24 160 351

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure supporting actions directly linked to the achievement of the objectives of the Digital Europe Programme such as communication, conferences, workshops, seminars, studies, meetings of experts, information and publications, translations,

software and databases or measures coming under this item, and any other expenditure on technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts.

It is also intended to cover expenditure related to the development and maintenance of IT systems including corporate IT needed for the management and implementation of the programme.

It is also intended to cover expenditure on technical and administrative assistance relating to the identification, preparation, management, monitoring, audit and supervision of that programme or those actions.

It is also intended to cover expenditure on external staff (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) including missions relating to the external personnel financed from this appropriation, in particular in the context of Regulation (EU) 2024/1689 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 laying down harmonised rules on artificial intelligence and amending Regulations (EC) No 300/2008, (EU) No 167/2013, (EU) No 168/2013, (EU) 2018/858, (EU) 2018/1139 and (EU) 2019/2144 and Directives 2014/90/EU, (EU) 2016/797 and (EU) 2020/1828 (Artificial Intelligence Act) (OJ L, 2024/1689, 12.7.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1689/oj).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	645 081 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Article 02 03 01 — Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Transport

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 669 539 799	1 668 000 000	1 669 539 799	1 668 000 000	1 875 000 000	1 770 730 101	1 669 539 799	1 668 000 000	1 687 039 799	1 672 375 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to contribute to the development of projects of common interest relating to efficient, interconnected and multimodal networks and infrastructure for smart, interoperable, sustainable, inclusive, accessible, safe and secure mobility. Those projects will be implemented mainly through calls for proposals under multiannual work programmes constituting financing decisions within the meaning of Article 110 of the Financial Regulation.

This appropriation will support actions that take into account the long-term decarbonisation commitments of the Union. The implementation will take the form of studies, works and other accompanying measures necessary for the management and delivery of the CEF, in line with the sector specific guidelines, i.e. the TEN-T Guidelines.

Eligible actions will relate to the development of efficient, interconnected and multimodal networks in railways, inland waterways, maritime ports and road infrastructure along the TEN-T core network and for cross-border links, maritime ports and inland ports located on the TEN-T comprehensive network. Moreover, support will be provided to smart, interoperable, sustainable, multimodal, inclusive, accessible, safe and secure mobility, such as Motorways of the Sea, telematics application systems for all transport modes, new technologies and innovation with a specific focus on alternative fuels infrastructures, actions to remove interoperability barriers and actions improving transport infrastructure accessibility and resilience.

Assigned revenue received may give rise to additional appropriations under this budget line in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2024/1679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network, amending Regulations (EU) 2021/1153 and (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 (OJ L, 2024/1679, 28.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1679/oj).

SEC3 Article 02 03 02 — Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Energy

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 074 826 266	543 000 000	1 064 826 266	539 670 000	1 124 826 266	568 000 000	1 074 435 266	542 609 000	1 079 435 266	543 859 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of energy infrastructure projects of common interest and projects of mutual interest relating to further integration of an efficient and competitive internal energy market, interoperability of networks across borders and sectors, facilitating decarbonisation of the economy, promoting energy efficiency and ensuring security of supply, and projects aiming to facilitate cross-border cooperation in the area of energy, including renewable energy.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure and repealing Decision No 1364/2006/EC and amending Regulations (EC) No 713/2009, (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 (OJ L 115, 25.4.2013, p. 39, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/347/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/869 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2022 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure, amending Regulations (EC) No 715/2009, (EU) 2019/942 and (EU) 2019/943 and Directives 2009/73/EC and (EU) 2019/944, and repealing Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 (OJ L 152, 3.6.2022, p. 45, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/869/oj).

SEC3 Item 02 03 03 01 — Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Digital

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
286 736 893	218 726 042	249 736 893	206 426 042	291 736 893	221 226 042	286 736 893	218 726 042	286 736 893	218 726 042

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to contribute to the development of projects of common interest relating to the deployment of safe and secure very high-capacity digital networks and 5G systems, to the increased capacity and resilience of digital backbone networks in Union territory, as well to the digitalisation of transport and energy networks.

Actions foreseen under CEF include: the deployment of and access to very high-capacity networks, including 5G systems, capable of providing Gigabit connectivity in areas where socioeconomic drivers are located; the provision of very high-quality local wireless connectivity in local communities that is free of charge and without discriminatory conditions; uninterrupted coverage with 5G systems of all major transport paths, including the trans-European transport networks; the deployment of new or significant upgrades of existing backbone networks including submarine cables, within and between Member States and between the Union and third countries; and supporting operational digital platforms directly associated with transport or energy infrastructures.

This appropriation may also be used for technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of CEF, such as preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities including corporate information technology systems.

SEC3 Item 02 03 03 02 — European High-Performance Computing joint undertaking (EuroHPC)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
60 000 000	37 800 000	53 400 000	35 600 000	60 000 000	37 800 000	60 000 000	37 800 000	60 000 000	37 800 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to build up and strengthen the Union's high-performance computing and data processing capacities, and ensure their wide use both in areas of public interest such as health, climate, environment, and security, and by industry, notably small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). More concretely, the Connecting Europe Facility appropriation should be used to fund part of the activities of the federation of supercomputing services pillar, i.e. the interconnection of the high performance computing, quantum computing and data resources, as well as the interconnection with the Union's common European data spaces and secure cloud infrastructures.

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2026/150 of 16 January 2026 amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1173 on establishing the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (*OJ L, 2026/150, 19.1.2026, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2026/150/oj*).

SEC3 Item 02 04 01 10 — Cybersecurity

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 175 000	24 212 963	13 175 000	24 212 963	18 175 000	26 712 963	13 175 000	24 212 963	13 175 000	24 212 963

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to ensure that the essential capacities needed to secure the Union's digital economy, society and democracy are present and accessible to the Union's public sector and businesses, and to improve the competitiveness of the Union's cybersecurity industry. It includes the investments necessary for the Quantum Communication Infrastructure.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	351 773 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Item 02 04 01 11 — European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
91 793 171	112 803 242	91 793 171	112 803 242	93 606 171	113 709 742	91 793 171	112 803 242	92 793 171	112 803 242

Remarks

The European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre contributes to the implementation of the cybersecurity part of the Digital Europe Programme and of Horizon

Europe. The objective of the Centre is to enhance cybersecurity capabilities, knowledge and infrastructures at the service of industries, the public sector and research communities.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	2 450 878 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2021/694 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2021 establishing the Digital Europe Programme and repealing Decision (EU) 2015/2240 (OJ L 166, 11.5.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/694/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination, and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1290/2013 and (EU) No 1291/2013 (OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/695/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/887 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 establishing the European Cybersecurity Industrial, Technology and Research Competence Centre and the Network of National Coordination Centres (OJ L 202, 8.6.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/887/oj).

SEC3 Item 02 04 02 11 — High-Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
346 221 802	438 812 524	340 221 802	436 812 524	346 221 802	438 812 524	346 221 802	438 812 524	346 221 802	438 812 524

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to build up and strengthen the Union’s high-performance computing and data processing capacities, and ensure their wide use both in areas of public interest such as health, climate, environment, security, and by industry, notably SMEs.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	9 244 122 6 6 0 0
Other countries	24 235 000 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2026/150 of 16 January 2026 amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1173 on establishing the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (*OJ L, 2026/150, 19.1.2026, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2026/150/oj*).

SEC3 Article 02 04 03 — Artificial intelligence

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
196 432 438	271 919 428	185 432 438	268 259 428	196 432 438	271 919 428	196 432 438	271 919 428	196 432 438	271 919 428

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to develop capacity in AI in Europe in line with Regulation (EU) 2022/2065 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 October 2022 on a Single Market For Digital Services and amending Directive 2000/31/EC (Digital Services Act) (OJ L 277, 27.10.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2065/oj) and Regulation (EU) 2022/1925 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 September 2022 on contestable and fair markets in the digital sector and amending Directives (EU) 2019/1937 and (EU) 2020/1828 (Digital Markets Act) (OJ L 265, 12.10.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/1925/oj). To this end, actions will focus on building up and reinforcing core AI capacities, with particular attention to data resources and federated cloud infrastructure, by making them accessible to all businesses and public administrations. Actions will also reinforce and foster links between existing AI testing and experimentation facilities in Member States and will support the establishment of libraries of AI algorithms.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	5 244 746 6 6 0 0
Other countries	20 200 878 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 02 04 04 — Skills

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
89 452 875	71 672 226	56 452 875	60 672 226	89 452 875	71 672 226	89 452 875	71 672 226	89 452 875	71 672 226

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to ensure that the current and future labour force can easily acquire advanced digital skills, notably in high-performance computing, AI and cybersecurity, by offering students, graduates, and existing workers the means to acquire and develop those skills, no matter where they are situated.

The Digital Europe Programme shall ensure the effective promotion of equal opportunities for all, and the implementation of gender mainstreaming in its actions.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	2 388 392 6 6 0 0
Other countries	8 348 078 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 02 10 01 — European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	48 072 755	48 072 755	48 072 755	48 072 755	51 072 755	51 072 755	48 552 446	48 552 446	50 052 446	50 052 446
Reserve (30 02 02)	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*	*498 000*

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Total	48 570 755	48 570 755	48 570 755	48 570 755	51 570 755	51 570 755	49 050 446	49 050 446	50 550 446	50 550 446

Remarks

EASA is the Union's agency for aviation safety. Its mission is to ensure the highest common level of safety protection for Union citizens, ensure the highest common level of environmental protection, establish a single regulatory and certification process among Member States, facilitate the internal aviation market and create a level playing field, and work with other international aviation organisations and regulators.

The main activities of EASA include the collection and analysis of safety intelligence and performance data to derive strategic action plans, the certification of aviation products and the approval of organisations in all aviation domains (design, production, maintenance, training, air traffic management, etc.), the preparation of regulatory material setting up common standards for aviation in Europe and the monitoring and inspections of the effective implementation of such standards in the Member States and the Union's neighbouring States that have signed aviation agreements with the Union.

The tasks performed by EASA cover the whole spectrum of the Union's aviation safety rules and have an important international component as EASA is legally mandated to cooperate with international actors in order to achieve the highest safety level for EU citizens globally (e.g. EU safety list, authorisation of third country operators, and implementation of technical assistance programming towards third countries). Established in 2002, EASA is composed of more than 800 aviation experts and administrators, and it has 31 Member States (27 EU Member States + Switzerland, Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein). It has four international offices in Montreal, Washington, Beijing and Singapore. Typically, its budget consists mainly of fees and charges (64%), a subsidy from the Union (23%), earmarked funds (11%) and third country contributions (2%).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	1 296 839 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Union Aviation Safety Agency, and amending Regulations (EC) No 2111/2005, (EC) No 1008/2008, (EU) No 996/2010, (EU) No 376/2014 and Directives 2014/30/EU and 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 552/2004 and (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 (OJ L 212, 22.8.2018, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1139/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/2405 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 October 2023 on ensuring a level playing field for sustainable air transport (ReFuelEU Aviation) (OJ L, 2023/2405, 31.10.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2405/oj).

Reference acts

Commission Regulation (EU) No 1178/2011 of 3 November 2011 laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures related to civil aviation aircrew pursuant to Regulation

(EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 311, 25.11.2011, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2011/1178/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 646/2012 of 16 July 2012 laying down detailed rules on fines and periodic penalty payments pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 187, 17.7.2012, p.29, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2012/646/oj).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012 of 3 August 2012 laying down implementing rules for the airworthiness and environmental certification of aircraft and related products, parts and appliances, as well as for the certification of design and production organisations (OJ L 224, 21.8.2012, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/748/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 923/2012 of 26 September 2012 laying down the common rules of the air and operational provisions regarding services and procedures in air navigation and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1035/2011 and Regulations (EC) No 1265/2007, (EC) No 1794/2006, (EC) No 730/2006, (EC) No 1033/2006 and (EU) No 255/2010 (OJ L 281, 13.10.2012, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2012/923/oj).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 965/2012 of 5 October 2012 laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures related to air operations pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 296, 25.10.2012, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/965/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 628/2013 of 28 June 2013 on working methods of the European Aviation Safety Agency for conducting standardisation inspections and for monitoring the application of the rules of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 736/2006 (OJ L 179, 29.6.2013, p. 46, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2013/628/oj).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 139/2014 of 12 February 2014 laying down requirements and administrative procedures related to aerodromes pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 44, 14.2.2014, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/139/oj).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 452/2014 of 29 April 2014 laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures related to air operations of third country operators pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 133, 6.5.2014, p. 12, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/452/oj).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 1321/2014 of 26 November 2014 on the continuing airworthiness of aircraft and aeronautical products, parts and appliances, and on the approval of organisations and personnel involved in these tasks (OJ L 362, 17.12.2014, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/1321/oj).

Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/340 of 20 February 2015 laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures relating to air traffic controllers' licences and certificates pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council, amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 923/2012 and repealing Commission Regulation (EU) No 805/2011 (OJ L 63, 6.3.2015, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2015/340/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/373 of 1 March 2017 laying down common requirements for providers of air traffic management/air navigation services and other air traffic management network functions and their oversight, repealing Regulation (EC) No 482/2008, Implementing Regulations (EU) No 1034/2011, (EU) No 1035/2011 and (EU) 2016/1377 and

amending Regulation (EU) No 677/2011 (OJ L 62, 8.3.2017, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2017/373/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1048 of 18 July 2018 laying down airspace usage requirements and operating procedures concerning performance-based navigation (OJ L 189, 26.7.2018, p. 3, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2018/1048/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/317 of 11 February 2019 laying down a performance and charging scheme in the single European sky and repealing Implementing Regulations (EU) No 390/2013 and (EU) No 391/2013 (OJ L 56, 25.2.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2019/317/oj).

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/945 of 12 March 2019 on unmanned aircraft systems and on third-country operators of unmanned aircraft systems (OJ L 152, 11.6.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2019/945/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/947 of 24 May 2019 on the rules and procedures for the operation of unmanned aircraft (OJ L 152, 11.6.2019, p. 45, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2019/947/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1769 of 12 September 2023 laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures for the approval of organisations involved in the design or production of air traffic management/air navigation services systems and constituents and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/203 (OJ L 228, 15.9.2023, p. 19, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2023/1769/oj)

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1770 of 12 September 2023 laying down provisions on aircraft equipment required for the use of the Single European Sky airspace and operating rules related to the use of the Single European Sky airspace and repealing Regulation (EC) No 29/2009 and Implementing Regulations (EU) No 1206/2011, (EU) No 1207/2011 and (EU) No 1079/2012 (OJ L 228, 15.9.2023, p. 39, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2023/1770/oj).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2347 of 21 November 2025 on the fees and charges levied by the European Union Aviation Safety Agency, and repealing Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2153 (OJ L, 2025/2347, 24.11.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2025/2347/oj).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a framework of measures to facilitate the transport of military equipment, goods and personnel across the Union, COM(2025) 847 final of 19.11.2025

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 02 10 02 — European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
114 765 274	114 765 274	114 765 274	114 765 274	114 765 274	114 765 274	115 321 572	115 321 572	115 321 572	115 321 572

Remarks

EMSA is the Union agency for maritime safety. It sits at the heart of the Union's maritime safety network and fully recognises the importance of effective collaboration with many different interests and between Union and international institutions, Member States' administrations and the maritime industry.

EMSA's activities include: providing technical and scientific assistance to the Member States and the Commission in the proper development and implementation of Union legislation on maritime safety, security, prevention of pollution by ships and maritime transport administrative simplification; monitoring the implementation of Union legislation through visits and inspections; improving cooperation with and between Member States; building capacity of national competent authorities; providing operational assistance, including developing, managing and maintaining integrated maritime services related to ships, ship monitoring and enforcement; carrying out operational preparedness, detection and response tasks with respect to pollution caused by ships and marine pollution by oil and gas installations; and, at the request of the Commission, providing technical and operational assistance to third countries.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	117 121 217
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	1 799 645
Amount entered in the budget	115 321 572

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	3 064 233 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Directive 2005/35/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 on ship-source pollution and on the introduction of penalties for infringements (OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 11, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2005/35/oj).

Directive 2009/16/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on port State control (OJ L 131, 28.5.2009, p. 57, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2009/16/oj).

Directive 2009/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 establishing the fundamental principles governing the investigation of accidents in the maritime transport sector and amending Council Directive 1999/35/EC and Directive 2002/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 131, 28.5.2009, p. 114, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2009/18/oj).

Directive 2009/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on compliance with flag State requirements (OJ L 131, 28.5.2009, p. 132. ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2009/21/oj).

Regulation (EU) No 911/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on multiannual funding for the action of the European Maritime Safety Agency in the field of response to marine pollution caused by ships and oil and gas installations (OJ L 257, 28.8.2014, p. 115, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/911/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/1805 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 September 2023 on the use of renewable and low-carbon fuels in maritime transport and amending Directive 2009/16/EC (OJ L 234, 22.9.2023, p. 48, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1805/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/2434 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 November 2025 on the European Maritime Safety Agency and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1406/2002 (OJ L, 2025/2434, 29.12.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2434/oj).

SEC3 Article 02 10 03 — European Union Agency for Railways (ERA)

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	31 521 608	31 521 608	31 521 608	31 521 608	31 521 608	31 521 608	31 864 978	31 864 978	31 864 978	31 864 978
Reserve (30 02 02)	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*	*2 064 000*
Total	33 585 608	33 585 608	33 585 608	33 585 608	33 585 608	33 585 608	33 928 978	33 928 978	33 928 978	33 928 978

Remarks

ERA contributes to the further development and effective functioning of a single European railway area without frontiers, by guaranteeing a high level of railway safety and interoperability, while improving the competitive position of the railway sector. In particular, the ERA contributes, on technical matters, to the implementation of Union legislation by developing a common approach to safety on the Union rail system and by enhancing the level of interoperability on the Union rail system. Further objectives of the ERA are to follow the reduction of national railway rules in order to support the performance of national authorities acting in the fields of railway safety and interoperability, to promote the optimisation of procedures, to monitor national safety authorities and conformity assessment bodies and to manage and keep up-to-date a number of registers, which is vital for the smooth operation of the European railway area.

The entry into force of the technical pillar of the Fourth Railway Package designated ERA as the Union authority responsible for issuing authorisations for placing railway vehicles on the market, single safety certificates for railway undertakings and track-side approvals of the European Rail Traffic Management System.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	34 273 955
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	344 977
Amount entered in the budget	33 928 978

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	896 736 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Directive 2007/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2007 on the certification of train drivers operating locomotives and trains on the railway system in the Community (OJ L 315, 3.12.2007, p. 51, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2007/59/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2016/796 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Railways and repealing Regulation (EC) No 881/2004 (OJ L 138, 26.5.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/796/oj).

Directive (EU) 2016/797 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the interoperability of the rail system within the European Union (OJ L 138, 26.5.2016, p. 44, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2016/797/oj).

Directive (EU) 2016/798 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on railway safety (OJ L 138, 26.5.2016, p. 102, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2016/798/oj).

Reference acts

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/764 of 2 May 2018 on the fees and charges payable to the European Union Agency for Railways and their conditions of payment (OJ L 129, 25.5.2018, p. 68, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2018/764/oj).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a framework of measures to facilitate the transport of military equipment, goods and personnel across the Union, COM(2025) 847 final of 19.11.2025

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the use of railway infrastructure capacity in the single European railway area, amending Directive 2012/34/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) No 913/2010, COM(2023) 443 final of 11.7.2023

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 02 10 04 — European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
26 887 349	26 887 349	26 887 349	26 887 349	26 887 349	26 887 349	27 012 339	27 012 339	27 012 339	27 012 339

Remarks

ENISA was set up to enhance the capability of the Union, the Member States and, as a consequence, the business community to prevent, address and respond to network and information security problems. In order to achieve this goal, ENISA will be developing a high level of expertise and stimulating broad cooperation between actors from the public and private sectors.

ENISA's aim is to provide assistance and to deliver advice to the Commission and the Member States on issues related to network and information security falling within its competencies and to assist the Commission, where called upon, in the technical preparatory work for updating and developing Union legislation in the field of network and information security.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	27 132 597
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	120 258
Amount entered in the budget	27 012 339

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	717 892 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2019/881 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on ENISA (the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity) and on information and communications technology cybersecurity certification and repealing Regulation (EU) No 526/2013 (Cybersecurity Act) (OJ L 151, 7.6.2019, p. 15, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/881/oj).

SEC3 Article 02 10 05 — Agency for Support for BEREC (BEREC Office)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
8 910 505	8 910 505	8 430 505	8 430 505	9 376 505	9 376 505	8 975 671	8 975 671	9 475 671	9 475 671

Remarks

The Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) acts as a specialised and independent expert advisory body assisting the Commission and the national regulatory authorities in the implementation of the Union regulatory framework for electronic communications in order to promote a consistent regulatory approach across the Union. BEREC is neither a Union body nor does it have legal personality.

The Agency for Support for BEREC (BEREC Office) is established as a Union body with legal personality, providing BEREC with professional and administrative support in carrying out the tasks conferred on it by Regulation (EU) 2018/1971.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	9 485 929
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	10 258
Amount entered in the budget	9 475 671

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	237 910 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2018/1971 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 establishing the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) and the Agency for Support for BEREC (BEREC Office), amending Regulation (EU) 2015/2120 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1211/2009 (OJ L 321, 17.12.2018, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1971/oj).

SEC3 Article 02 10 06 — European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	25 021 864	25 021 864	25 021 864	25 021 864	25 371 864	25 371 864	25 241 233	25 241 233	25 241 233	25 241 233
Reserve (30 02 02)	*327 000*	*327 000*	*327 000*	*327 000*	*327 000*	*327 000*	*718 000*	*718 000*	*718 000*	*718 000*

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Total	25 348 864	25 348 864	25 348 864	25 348 864	25 698 864	25 698 864	25 959 233	25 959 233	25 959 233	25 959 233

Remarks

ACER is an independent body and neutral arbiter on regulatory matters that can take binding decisions required for the integration of the European Internal Energy Market, both for electricity and natural gas, and thereby supports the European Green Deal and the construction of a more resilient Europe. ACER is entrusted with supervising wholesale electricity and gas markets in order to prevent, detect and investigate market manipulations.

In close cooperation with national energy regulatory authorities, ACER ensures that market integration and the implementation of Union legislation is achieved according to the Union's energy policy objectives and regulatory framework.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	26 203 402
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	244 169
Amount entered in the budget	25 959 233

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	676 815 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency (OJ L 326, 8.12.2011, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2011/1227/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/942 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (OJ L 158, 14.6.2019, p. 22, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/942/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/869 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2022 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure, amending Regulations (EC) 715/2009, (EU) 2019/942 and (EU) 2019/943 and Directives 2009/73/EC and (EU) 2019/944, and repealing Regulation (EU) 347/2013 (OJ L 152, 3.6.2022, p. 45, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/869/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1747 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 amending Regulations (EU) 2019/942 and (EU) 2019/943 as regards improving the Union's electricity market design (OJ L, 2024/1747, 26.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1747/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1787 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 on the reduction of methane emissions in the energy sector and amending Regulation (EU) 2019/942 (OJ L, 2024/1787, 15.7.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1787/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1789 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 on the internal markets for renewable gas, natural gas and hydrogen, amending Regulations (EU) No

1227/2011, (EU) 2017/1938, (EU) 2019/942 and (EU) 2022/869 and Decision (EU) 2017/684 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 (OJ L, 2024/1789, 15.7.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1789/oj).

Reference acts

Commission Decision (EU) 2025/1771 of 8 September 2025 on fees due to the European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators for its tasks under Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Decision (EU) 2020/2152 (OJ L, 2025/1771, 11.9.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2025/1771/oj).

Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure, amending Regulations (EU) 2019/942, (EU) 2019/943 and (EU) 2024/1789 and repealing Regulation (EU) 2022/869, COM(2025) 1006 final of 10.12.2025

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 02 20 01 — Pilot projects

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	3 769 206	p.m.	3 769 206	14 000 000	10 769 206	p.m.	3 769 206	14 000 000	7 269 206

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of pilot projects of an experimental nature designed to test the feasibility of actions and their usefulness.

The list of pilot projects is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PP 02.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (a), of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Article 02 20 02 — Preparatory actions

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	6 991 778	p.m.	6 991 778	9 500 000	11 741 778	p.m.	6 991 778	9 500 000	9 366 778

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of preparatory actions in the fields of application of the TFEU and the Euratom Treaty, designed to prepare proposals with a view to the adoption of future actions.

The list of preparatory actions is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PA 02

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (b), of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Item 02 20 04 02 — Support activities for the European energy policy and internal energy market

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
8 000 000	10 700 000	7 536 000	10 540 000	8 000 000	10 700 000	8 000 000	10 700 000	8 000 000	10 700 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure incurred by the Commission to support the energy policy for collecting and processing information of all kinds needed for the analysis, definition, promotion, monitoring, financing, evaluation and implementation of a competitive, safe and sustainable European energy policy, of the internal energy market and its extension to third countries, of all aspects of energy supply security in a European and global perspective as well as the strengthening of the rights and protection of energy users by supplying quality services at transparent and comparable prices.

The principal endorsed objectives are to implement a progressive common European policy in line with the Energy Union strategy (COM(2015) 80 final) ensuring continuous energy supply security, good functioning of the internal energy market and access to transport networks of energy, observation of the energy market, integrated governance and monitoring, analysis of modelling including scenarios on the impact of policies considered and the strengthening of the rights and protection of energy users, based on general and particular knowledge of global and European energy markets for all energy types.

This appropriation is also intended to cover experts' expenditure directly linked to the collection, validation and analysis of necessary information on energy market observation, as well as expenditure on information and communication, digital processing and visualisation of data, conferences and events promoting activities in the energy sector, electronic and paper publications, audiovisual products as well as the development of different web-based and social media activities directly linked to the achievement of the objective of the energy policy. This appropriation will also support an enhanced energy dialogue with the Union's key energy partners and international agencies in the field of energy.

SEC3 Item 03 01 01 01 — Support expenditure for the Single Market Programme

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
15 829 011	14 294 011	15 829 011	15 829 011	15 829 011

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure for technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the Single Market Programme and the sector-specific guidelines, such as preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities including corporate information and technology systems. This appropriation may also be used to finance measures supporting the preparation of projects or measures linked to the achievement of the objectives of the programme.

More specifically, this appropriation is also intended to cover expenditure on external personnel (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) including support expenditure (expenses

for representation, training, meetings, missions relating to the external personnel financed from this appropriation) required for the implementation of the activities set out in the Programme.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	422 635 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	420 000 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

See Chapter 03 02.

SEC3 Item 03 02 01 07 — Market surveillance

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
15 686 000	17 000 000	15 686 000	17 000 000	17 254 600	17 784 300	15 686 000	17 000 000	15 686 000	17 000 000

Remarks

Within the internal market, the free movement of goods is the most developed of all four fundamental freedoms. However, the increasing number of illegal and non-compliant products on the market distorts competition and puts consumers at risk. Many businesses disregard the rules either through a lack of knowledge or intentionally to gain a competitive advantage.

Market surveillance ensures that non-food products on the Union market do not endanger European consumers and workers. It also ensures the protection of other public interests such as the environment, security and fairness in trade.

Under the Single Market Programme, support to market surveillance measures in the Union seeks to strengthen product compliance by providing the right incentives to entrepreneurs, intensifying compliance checks and controls of products at the external borders, and promoting closer cross-border cooperation between market surveillance enforcement authorities.

The Single Market Programme also contributes to the consolidation of the existing framework for market surveillance activities, to encourage joint actions of authorities from different Member States, to improve the exchange of information and to promote convergence and closer integration of activities.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	418 816 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Article 03 02 02 — Improving the competitiveness of enterprises, particularly SMEs, and supporting their access to markets

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
137 142 000	113 375 000	136 342 000	113 110 000	167 142 000	128 375 000	137 142 000	113 375 000	144 142 000	115 125 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to support the competitiveness of enterprises, in particular that of SMEs, and to support their growth.

The implemented measures will include:

— networks and clusters bringing together a variety of stakeholders and support to strategically connect ecosystems,

— various forms of support for SMEs, including for social economy enterprises to foster access to markets and global value chains, entrepreneurship, the modernisation of industry and the competitiveness of sectors,

— various forms of support for SMEs, including for social economy enterprises, to empower their investments in green and social sustainability that benefits the local and regional economic ecosystem,

— information sharing, dissemination, awareness raising and advisory services to increase SMEs' competitiveness and help them participate in the single market and beyond.

Projects will seek to improve conditions for SMEs and contribute to a favourable business environment, including through capacity building, support to SME internationalisation, industrial transformation, access to public procurement, skill development, and value chain collaboration, and help them increase their competitiveness and sustainability. They will rely on the services provided by clusters, entrepreneurship and business support networks.

In addition, projects will be put in place to support the implementation of the SME Relief Package, the SME Strategy for a sustainable and digital Europe and the New Industrial Strategy for Europe; as well as current Commission priorities, including the European Green Deal and Better Regulation. Appropriations also covers actions related to the implementation of the Single Digital Gateway and the Digital Product Passport which are key components supporting competitiveness and sustainability as well as the transition to a digital Europe.

Support actions directly linked to the achievement of the programme-specific objectives are also considered for funding: meetings (including workshops), studies, information and publications and participation in study groups.

Key activities that have proven expertise and success in reaching and supporting SMEs will continue to be central.

The Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) will be further strengthened and supported, and will use its expertise to enable SMEs to improve their competitiveness and develop their business in the single market and beyond. EEN services will be further adapted and widened to suit SME needs in respect of new policy priorities such as digitalisation, internationalisation, the circular economy and skills. EEN will help SMEs and scale-ups understand sustainability issues, and put in place strategies and business plans to adapt and compete successfully.

Joint Cluster Initiatives will be used as a strategic tool for supporting the competitiveness, scaling up of SMEs, supported by the European Cluster Collaboration Platform and its European Resource Efficiency Knowledge Centre (EREK). By connecting specialised ecosystems, clusters create new business opportunities for SMEs and integrate them better in European and global strategic value chains. Support will be provided for the development of transnational partnership strategies and the implementation of joint activities, including for channelling direct support to SMEs for encouraging the uptake of advanced technologies, low-carbon solutions, and skills upgrading.

The 'Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs' mobility scheme enables new or aspiring entrepreneurs to gain business experience by matching with an experienced entrepreneur from another country and

thus allow the strengthening of entrepreneurial talents. It helps tackle unemployment and enables existing SMEs to create jobs and increase their turnover by expanding and internationalising their business.

The High-Level Construction Forum is an active platform to bring together key stakeholders in the construction sector. The Forum monitors the green, digital and resilient transition pathways for the EU construction industry ecosystem.

Improving SME access to public procurement will receive particular attention, notably in the context of the ongoing revision of the EU Public Procurement Directives 2014/23/EU, 2014/24/EU and 2014/25/EU.

Sustainable tourism will receive a special focus through sectorial support actions. The Union will support, inter alia:

— actions related to the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2024/1735 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 June 2024 on establishing a framework of measures for strengthening Europe's net-zero technology manufacturing ecosystem and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1724 (OJ L, 2024/1735, 28.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1735/oj), in particular in relation to skills,

— actions to build capacity of tourism businesses, in particular SMEs, in areas such as sustainability, digitalisation and innovation,

— actions to promote cross-border cooperation and peer learning among tourism stakeholders and public authorities responsible for tourism,

— foresight and socio-economic analysis regarding, inter alia, the long-term competitiveness of the tourism sector and promotion of Union tourism businesses.

The Programme is intended to ensure the effective promotion of equal opportunities for all, and the implementation of gender mainstreaming in its actions.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	3 661 691 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Article 03 02 06 — Contributing to a high level of health and welfare for humans, animals and plants

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
242 764 376	199 000 000	242 764 376	199 000 000	242 764 376	199 000 000	320 757 573	261 500 000	320 757 573	261 500 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to support measures aiming to contribute to a high level of health for humans, animals and plants along the food chain and in related areas such as actions in the areas of animal welfare, sustainable food production and consumption, food fraud, coordinated control programmes, digitalisation, antimicrobial resistance and food waste prevention.

The animal welfare actions will aim at supporting innovative projects that replace, reduce or refine current practices that are detrimental to the welfare of animals as well as activities of data collection and training. Moreover, there will be initiatives to improve the sustainable use of food packaging materials and tableware as a way to reach the target of the circular economy and contribute to the zero pollution strategy.

SEC3 Article 03 03 01 — Preventing and combatting fraud, corruption and any other illegal activities affecting the financial interests of the Union

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
18 004 686	20 850 822	16 804 686	20 450 822	18 004 686	20 850 822	18 004 686	20 850 822	18 004 686	20 850 822

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the protection of the financial interests of the Union.

The Union Anti-Fraud Programme contributes to:

— developing the activities at Union level and the Member States' level to counter fraud, corruption and any other illegal activities affecting the financial interests of the Union, including the fight against cigarette smuggling and counterfeiting,

— an increased transnational cooperation and coordination at Union level, between Member States' authorities, the Commission and the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), and in particular to the effectiveness and efficiency of the cross-border operations,

— an effective prevention of fraud, corruption and any other illegal activities affecting the financial interests of the Union, by offering joint specialised training for staff of national and regional administrations, and for other stakeholders.

SEC3 Item 03 10 01 01 — European Chemicals Agency — Chemicals legislation

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	80 192 631	80 192 631	80 192 631	80 192 631	80 192 631	80 192 631	80 892 011	80 892 011	80 892 011	80 892 011
Reserve (30 02 02)	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*	*576 912*
Total	80 769 543	80 769 543	80 769 543	80 769 543	80 769 543	80 769 543	81 468 923	81 468 923	81 468 923	81 468 923

Remarks

In accordance with Article 96 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, the revenues of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) shall consist of a subsidy from the Union, entered in the general budget of the Union (Commission Section), the fees paid by undertakings, and any voluntary contribution from the Member States.

The ECHA's revenue from fees and charges and the surplus carried over from the previous year will not be sufficient to cover the expected expenditure of the ECHA. A balancing Union contribution is required.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	81 898 355
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	429 432
Amount entered in the budget	81 468 923

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	2 156 547 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) and establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC (OJ L 396, 30.12.2006, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2006/1907/oj).

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (OJ L 353, 31.12.2008, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2008/1272/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the of the Council, submitted by the Commisson on 8 July 2025, on the European Chemicals Agency amending Regulations (EC) No 1907/2006, (EU) No 528/2012, (EU) No 649/2012 and (EU) No 2019/1021, COM(2025) 386 final.

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Item 03 10 01 02 — European Chemicals Agency — Activities in the field of biocides legislation

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
7 539 397	7 539 397	7 539 397	7 539 397	7 539 397	7 539 397	7 607 131	7 607 131	7 607 131	7 607 131

Remarks

In accordance with Article 78 of Regulation (EC) No 528/2012, the revenues of the ECHA shall consist of a subsidy from the Union, entered in the general budget of the Union (Commission Section), the fees paid to the ECHA in accordance with that Regulation, any charges paid to the ECHA for services that it provides under this Regulation, and any voluntary contributions from Member States.

The ECHA’s revenue from fees and charges and the surplus carried over from the previous year will not be sufficient to cover the expected expenditure of the ECHA. A balancing Union contribution is required.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	81 898 355
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	429 432
Amount entered in the budget	81 468 923

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	201 302 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2012 concerning the making available on the market and use of biocidal products (OJ L 167, 27.6.2012, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/528/oj).

SEC3 Article 03 10 02 — European Banking Authority (EBA)

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	20 899 727	20 899 727	20 899 727	20 899 727	20 899 727	20 899 727	21 056 099	21 056 099	21 056 099	21 056 099
Reserve (30 02 02)	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*	*263 000*
Total	21 162 727	21 162 727	21 162 727	21 162 727	21 162 727	21 162 727	21 319 099	21 319 099	21 319 099	21 319 099

Remarks

Having regard to the TFEU, and in particular Article 114 thereof, as well as to Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, the European Banking Authority (EBA) forms part of a European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS). The main objective of the ESFS is to ensure that the rules applicable to the financial sector are adequately implemented to preserve financial stability and to ensure confidence in the financial system as a whole and sufficient protection for the customers of financial services.

In addition to the Union contribution, revenues of the EBA also include contributions from the national public authorities of Member States competent for the supervision of financial institutions and contributions from EFTA national public authorities, as well as potential fees.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	21 460 184
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	141 085
Amount entered in the budget	21 319 099

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/78/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 12, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2010/1093/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/2554 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2022 on digital operational resilience for the financial sector and amending Regulations (EC) No 1060/2009, (EU) No 648/2012, (EU) No 600/2014, (EU) No 909/2014 and (EU) 2016/1011 (OJ L 333, 27.12.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2554/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/1114 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2023 on markets in crypto-assets, and amending Regulations (EU) No 1093/2010 and (EU) No 1095/2010 and

Directives 2013/36/EU and (EU) 2019/1937 (OJ L 150, 9.6.2023, p. 40, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1114/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/2987 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 amending Regulations (EU) No 648/2012, (EU) No 575/2013 and (EU) 2017/1131 as regards measures to mitigate excessive exposures to third-country central counterparties and improve the efficiency of Union clearing markets (OJ L, 2024/2987, 4.12.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2987/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the EP and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 17June 2025, amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2402 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 laying down a general framework for securitisation and creating a specific framework for simple, transparent and standardised securitisation, COM(2025) 826 final.

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 03 10 03 — European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
15 119 587	15 119 587	15 119 587	15 119 587	15 119 587	15 119 587	15 248 467	15 248 467	15 248 467	15 248 467

Remarks

Having regard to the TFEU, and in particular Article 114 thereof, as well as to Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010, the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA) forms part of a European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS). The main objective of the ESFS is to ensure that the rules applicable to the financial sector are adequately implemented to preserve financial stability and to ensure confidence in the financial system as a whole and sufficient protection for the customers of financial services.

In addition to the Union contribution, revenues of the EIOPA also include contributions from the national public authorities of Member States competent for the supervision of financial institutions and contributions from EFTA national public authorities, as well as potential fees.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	15 282 873
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	34 406
Amount entered in the budget	15 248 467

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions

Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/79/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 48, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2010/1094/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/2554 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2022 on digital operational resilience for the financial sector and amending Regulations (EC) No 1060/2009, (EU) No 648/2012, (EU) No 600/2014, (EU) No 909/2014 and (EU) 2016/1011 (OJ L 333, 27.12.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2554/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 24 May 2023, amending Directives (EU) 2009/65/EC, 2009/138/EC, 2011/61/EU, 2014/65/EU and (EU) 2016/97 as regards the Union retail investor protection rules (COM(2023) 279 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the EP and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 4 December 2025, on settlement finality and repealing Directive 98/26/EC and amending Directive 2002/47/EC on financial collateral arrangements (COM(2025) 941 final).

SEC3 Article 03 10 04 — European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
23 090 170	23 090 170	23 090 170	23 090 170	23 090 170	23 090 170	23 214 783	23 214 783	23 214 783	23 214 783

Remarks

Having regard to the TFEU, and in particular Article 114 thereof, as well as to Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010, the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) forms part of a European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS). The main objective of the ESFS is to ensure that the rules applicable to the financial sector are adequately implemented to preserve financial stability and to ensure confidence in the financial system as a whole and sufficient protection for the customers of financial services.

In addition to the Union contribution, revenues of the ESMA also include contributions from the national public authorities of Member States competent for the supervision of financial market participants and contributions from EFTA national public authorities, as well as fees.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/77/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 84, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2010/1095/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/858 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2022 on a pilot regime for market infrastructures based on distributed ledger technology, and amending Regulations (EU) No 600/2014 and (EU) No 909/2014 and Directive 2014/65/EU (OJ L 151, 2.6.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/858/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/2554 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2022 on digital operational resilience for the financial sector and amending Regulations (EC) No 1060/2009, (EU) No 648/2012, (EU) No 600/2014, (EU) No 909/2014 and (EU) 2016/1011 (OJ L 333, 27.12.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2554/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/1114 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2023 on markets in crypto-assets, and amending Regulations (EU) No 1093/2010 and (EU) No 1095/2010 and Directives 2013/36/EU and (EU) 2019/1937 (OJ L 150, 9.6.2023, p. 40, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1114/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/2859 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2023 establishing a European single access point providing centralised access to publicly available information of relevance to financial services, capital markets and sustainability (OJ L, 2023/2859, 20.12.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2859/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/3005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 on the transparency and integrity of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) rating activities, and amending Regulations (EU) 2019/2088 and (EU) 2023/2859 (OJ L, 2024/3005, 12.12.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/3005/oj).

Council Directive (EU) 2025/50 of 10 December 2024 on faster and safer relief of excess withholding taxes (OJ L, 2025/50, 10.1.2025, ELI:http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2025/50/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 24 May 2023, amending Directives (EU) 2009/65/EC, 2009/138/EC, 2011/61/EU, 2014/65/EU and (EU) 2016/97 as regards the Union retail investor protection rules (COM(2023) 279 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the EP and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 17June 2025, amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2402 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 laying down a general framework for securitisation and creating a specific framework for simple, transparent and standardised securitisation (COM(2025) 826 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the EP and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 4 December 2025, amending Regulations (EU) No 1095/2010, No 648/2012, No 600/2014, No 909/2014, 2015/2365, 2019/1156, 2021/23, 2022/858, 2023/1114, No 1060/2009, 2016/1011, 2017/2402, 2023/2631 and 2024/3005 as regards the further development of capital market integration and supervision within the Union (COM(2025) 943 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the EP and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 4 December 2025, on settlement finality and repealing Directive 98/26/EC and amending Directive 2002/47/EC on financial collateral arrangements (COM(2025) 941 final).

SEC3 Article 03 10 05 — Anti-Money Laundering Authority (AMLA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
55 587 248	55 587 248	55 587 248	55 587 248	55 587 248	55 587 248	55 722 638	55 722 638	55 722 638	55 722 638

Remarks

Having regard to the TFEU, and in particular Article 114 thereof, the Anti-Money Laundering Authority (AMLA) is established with the main objective of preventing money laundering and the financing of terrorism in the Union, including by contributing to enhanced supervision and improved cooperation between national Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs) and supervisory authorities.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2024/1620 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2024 establishing the Authority for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism and amending Regulations (EU) No 1093/2010, (EU) No 1094/2010 and (EU) No 1095/2010 (OJ L, 2024/1620, 19.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1620/oj).

SEC3 Article 03 20 01 — Pilot projects

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	7 405 395	p.m.	7 405 395	2 500 000	8 655 395	p.m.	7 405 395	2 500 000	8 030 395

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of pilot projects of an experimental nature designed to test the feasibility of actions and their usefulness.

The list of pilot projects is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PP 03.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (a) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Article 03 20 02 — Preparatory actions

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	1 540 589	p.m.	1 540 589	3 000 000	3 040 589	p.m.	1 540 589	3 000 000	2 290 589

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of preparatory actions in the fields of application of the TFEU and the Euratom Treaty, designed to prepare proposals with a view to the adoption of future actions.

The list of preparatory actions is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PA 03.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (b) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Article 04 01 01 — Support expenditure for the Union Space Programme

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
6 900 000	6 600 000	6 900 000	6 900 000	6 900 000

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described at the level of this chapter, this appropriation is also intended to cover:

— activities relating to the User Forum created by Article 107 of Regulation (EU) 2021/696 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing the Union Space Programme and the European Union Agency for the Space Programme and repealing Regulations (EU) No 912/2010, (EU) No 1285/2013 and (EU) No 377/2014 and Decision No 541/2014/EU (OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 69, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/696/oj);

— expenditure incurred on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) including support expenditure (expenses for representation, training, meetings, missions relating to the external personnel financed from this appropriation) required

for the implementation of the activities set out in the programme and financed from the assigned revenues stemming from contributions from third countries;

— expenditure on external personnel (contract staff, local staff or seconded national experts) in Union delegations in third countries, as well as additional logistical and infrastructure costs, such as the cost of training, meetings, missions and renting of accommodation directly resulting from the presence in delegations of external personnel remunerated from the appropriations entered in this item, and financed from the assigned revenues stemming from contributions from third countries;

— expenditure on IT covering both equipment and services, including corporate IT;

— expenditure on studies, evaluation measures and audits, meetings of experts and the participation of stakeholders in ad hoc meetings, seminars and conferences pertaining to major topics, communication activities and publications in the field of space related activities.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	180 780 6 6 0 0
Other countries	847 840 6 0 4 1

Legal basis

See Chapter 04 02.

SEC3 Article 04 02 02 — Copernicus

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
897 520 533	700 000 000	887 520 533	696 700 000	900 520 533	701 500 000	897 520 533	700 000 000	897 520 533	700 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the operations of Copernicus services, tailored to the needs of users, contributing to ensure access to data of the observation infrastructure necessary to operate Copernicus services and creating opportunities for increased private sector usage of information sources, thereby facilitating innovation by value-adding service providers.

This appropriation is also intended to cover the remaining development activities of the current Sentinels as well as the initiation of new missions' development.

This appropriation may also fund cross-cutting activities among the services or their articulation and coordination, as well as for the in situ coordination, user uptake and training and communication.

In addition, in support of competitiveness and growth, this appropriation may also fund data dissemination and the incubation of new businesses by supporting more robust and innovative IT structures in Europe.

Copernicus services will facilitate access to key data required in policy formulation at Union, national, regional and local level in fields such as agriculture, forest monitoring, water management, transport, urban planning, climate change and many others. This appropriation covers mainly the implementation of delegation agreements for the Copernicus programme, pursuant to Article 58 of the Financial Regulation.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	23 515 038 6 6 0 0
Other countries	168 374 852 6 0 4 1

SEC3 Article 04 20 01 — Pilot projects

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	4 206 000	p.m.	4 206 000	2 000 000	5 206 000	p.m.	4 206 000	2 000 000	4 706 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of pilot projects of an experimental nature designed to test the feasibility of actions and their usefulness.

The list of pilot projects is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PP 04.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (a), of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Article 04 20 02 — Preparatory actions

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	6 950 000	p.m.	6 950 000	25 000 000	19 450 000	p.m.	6 950 000	25 000 000	13 200 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of preparatory actions in the field of applications of the TFEU and the Euratom Treaty, designed to prepare proposals with a view to the adoption of future actions.

The list of preparatory actions is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PA 04.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (b), of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Article 05 02 01 — ERDF — Operational expenditure

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
35 558 221 580	39 950 081 891	35 558 221 580	39 950 081 891	35 558 221 580	39 950 081 891	35 558 221 580	39 950 081 891	35 558 221 580	39 950 081 891

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover ERDF support under the Investment for jobs and growth goal and for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) in the 2021-2027 programming period.

It will cover the following three categories of regions:

— less developed regions, with a GDP per capita less than 75 % of the average GDP of the Union,

— transition regions, with a GDP per capita between 75 % and 100 % of the average GDP of the Union,

— more developed regions, with a GDP per capita above 100 % of the average GDP of the Union.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	400 000 000 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Article 05 04 01 — Financial support for encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 966 207	37 000 000	33 966 207	37 000 000	37 466 207	38 750 000	33 966 207	37 000 000	34 966 207	37 250 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the continuation of aid under Regulation (EC) No 389/2006 to facilitate the reunification of Cyprus by encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community with particular emphasis on economic integration of the island, on improving contacts between the two communities and with the Union and on preparation for the application of the Union *acquis*. Assistance is delivered in the areas specified in that Regulation, and includes notably the promotion of social and economic development, the development and restructuring of infrastructure, reconciliation, confidence building measures and support to civil society, bringing the Turkish Cypriot community closer to the Union, including scholarships for Turkish Cypriot students. Also, the TAIEX instrument is used for the preparation of legal texts for the purpose of these being applicable upon the entry into force of a comprehensive settlement of the Cyprus problem, as well as for the preparation of the Union *acquis* immediately following a political settlement for reunification.

This appropriation will, in particular, allow for the continuation of Union financial support to facilitate the intensification of the work of the Committee on Missing Persons in order to meet the goals of its strategic plan on the faster identification of missing persons, as well as the implementation of the decisions of the bi-communal Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage in order to preserve common cultural heritage of Cyprus.

This appropriation is to be implemented in direct and indirect management and be used, inter alia, to sustain the outcome of works, services, supplies and grants being funded under earlier allocations. In addition, grant schemes addressed to a large variety of economic and civil society beneficiaries (non-governmental organisations, students and teachers, schools, farmers, small villages, and the private sector) may continue. These activities aim at socio-economic development and are driven by the prospect of reunification. Priority should be given, where possible, to reconciliation projects that create bridges between the two communities and build confidence. These measures underline the strong desire and commitment of the Union to the Cyprus problem settlement and reunification.

SEC3 Article 06 01 02 — Support expenditure for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
200 000	p.m.	200 000	200 000	200 000

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described in this chapter, this appropriation is also intended to cover technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the Pericles IV programme, such as preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities including corporate information technology systems.

Legal basis

See Chapter 06 03.

SEC3 Article 06 01 03 — Support expenditure for borrowing and debt management activities of the European Union

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
7 000 000	7 000 000	6 000 000	7 000 000	7 000 000

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described in this chapter, this appropriation is also intended to cover technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of borrowing and debt management activities in capital markets undertaken by the European Union under Article 224 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 ('Financial Regulation'). Such expenditure is mainly directed at supporting borrowing and debt management activities to implement the European Union Recovery Instrument. In addition, expenditure may be used for the purpose of supporting borrowing and debt management activities to implement other current and future programmes of financial assistance falling within Article 224 of the Financial Regulation. In accordance with Article 223(4), point (e) of the Financial Regulation, in the case of loan support, the relevant cost pre-financed by this Article is recovered from the relevant beneficiary starting from the year that follows the loan disbursement pursuant to Implementing Decision (EU, Euratom) 2024/1974. Costs recovered from loan beneficiaries are used for the purpose of future borrowing and debt management operations expenditure undertaken from this budget line.

Expenditure may include preparatory, monitoring, audit, staff and evaluation activities including corporate information technology systems, licenses, platforms and account management.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Article 224 thereof.

See Chapter 06 04.

See Chapter 14 07.

See Chapter 16 06.

Reference acts

Commission Implementing Decision (EU, Euratom) 2024/1974 of 12 July 2024 establishing the framework for allocating costs related to borrowing and debt management operations under the diversified funding strategy (OJ L, 2024/1974, 18.7.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2024/1974/oj).

SEC3 Item 06 01 05 01 — Support expenditure for the EU4Health Programme

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
9 143 160	6 843 160	9 143 160	9 143 160	9 143 160

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the EU4Health Programme, such as preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities, including corporate information and technology systems.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	239 551 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

See Chapter 06 06.

SEC3 Article 06 02 02 — Technical Support Instrument

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
110 000 000	112 092 357	50 000 000	92 092 357	110 000 000	112 092 357	110 000 000	112 092 357	60 000 000	92 092 357

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenses for the implementation of the Technical Support Instrument in order to support the efforts of the national authorities in improving their capacity to design, develop and implement reforms, as well as to prepare, amend, implement and revise recovery and resilience plans pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2021/241, including through the exchange of good practices, processes and methodologies, and stakeholders involvement, where appropriate, and a more effective and efficient human resources management.

This support will aim in particular to finance, among other things, expertise related to policy advice, institutional, administrative or sectoral capacity building, provision of experts, collection of data and statistics, organisation of local operational support, IT capacity building, studies, research, analyses and surveys, evaluations and impact assessments, publications, awareness-raising, dissemination activities, the exchange of good practices, as well as any other activity in support of the general and specific objectives of the Technical Support Instrument.

SEC3 Article 06 04 01 — European Union Recovery Instrument (EURI) – Payment of periodic coupon and redemption at maturity

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
9 900 000 000	9 720 000 000	9 550 000 000	9 900 000 000	9 900 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the costs associated with the funds borrowed on the capital markets and on behalf of the Union in the framework of the European Union Recovery Instrument.

~~SEC3 Article 06 04 02~~ — European Union Recovery Instrument (EURI) – Additional liquidity management costs

~~Draft budget~~	~~Council's position~~	~~Parliament's position~~	~~Revised Draft Budget~~	~~Conciliation~~
-	-	~~350 000 000~~	-	-

Remarks

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of liquidity management, incurred as a result of amounts issued and held temporarily on liquidity accounts as reserves to meet upcoming payments on behalf of the Union in the framework of the European Union Recovery Instrument. This appropriation should be financed from the decommitment compartment of the EURI instrument and excluded from the calculation of the benchmark relating to EURI interest payments provided in recital 12 of the amending MFF Regulation 2024/765.~~

SEC3 Article 06 05 01 — Union Civil Protection Mechanism

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
180 015 271	105 000 000	180 015 271	105 000 000	260 015 271	145 000 000	180 015 271	105 000 000	193 515 271	108 375 000

Remarks

The Union Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM) intervenes in all phases of the disaster management cycle: prevention, preparedness and response, and its geographical scope is both within and outside the Union.

As regards prevention, the mechanism aims in particular at fostering a shared culture of prevention with activities supporting and promoting Member States' risk assessment and risk reduction efforts, such as the sharing of good practice, the compilation and dissemination of information from Member States on risk management activities including through cross-border projects, peer reviews, and advisory missions. The mechanism also provides funding to scale-up Member States' and UCPM Participating States' disaster risk management strategies and to support the development of projects leveraging disaster risk management investments.

Preparedness efforts are supported, in particular, through the pooling of civil protection capacities in the form of the European Civil Protection Pool (ECPP), as well as the development of additional capacities at Union level to complement national efforts (the rescEU reserve and the rescEU transition phase). Preparedness is also improved through the development of Union-wide disaster resilience goals, training, exercises, the exchange of best practices and experts, all under the umbrella of the Union Civil Protection Knowledge Network. The mechanism also supports the study and development of disaster detection and early warning systems, and promotes scientific analysis and expert support. Finally, preparedness is also enhanced with the adoption of the Preparedness Union Strategy, which promotes a comprehensive, multi-sectoral and whole-of-society approach to risk management, strengthening coordination across policy areas, governance levels and stakeholders, while fostering resilience in the face of complex and evolving crises.

Concerning the international dimension, the mechanism facilitates cooperation with the enlargement countries and countries under the European Neighbourhood Policy in the area of disaster management, through the funding of projects, training and policy dialogues.

In relation to response, the mechanism coordinates and finances or co-finances through the Emergency Response Coordination Centre (ERCC) the rapid and efficient deployment of national capacities, of ECPP modules and/or of rescEU, as well as of trained experts and Union civil protection teams for operations in Member States, UCPM Participating States, and in any third country. The mechanism support is financial, operational and facilitates coordination.

This article also covers a wide array of horizontal activities supporting the proper functioning of the mechanism. These include, among others, communication activities, project and IT support to operations, and other activities supporting policy development, such as workshops, seminars, projects, studies, surveys, modelling, scenario-building and contingency planning, as well as audits and evaluations.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	4 716 400 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	4 498 454 6 1 1 2

SEC3 Article 06 06 01 — EU4Health Programme

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
606 018 985	641 700 000	565 018 985	627 900 000	656 018 985	666 700 000	605 768 985	641 450 000	606 768 985	641 700 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the operational expenditure under the EU4Health Programme. Its objective is to protect people in the Union from serious cross-border threats to health; to improve the availability, accessibility and affordability, in the Union, of medicines, medical devices and crisis-relevant products, and to support innovation regarding such products; to strengthen health systems and the healthcare workforce, including by digital transformation and by increased integrated and coordinated work among the Member States, sustained implementation of best practice and data sharing; and to increase the general level of public health.

The EU4Health Programme is to cater for a solid legal and financial framework for health crisis prevention, preparedness and response in the Union. This programme is to reinforce national and Union capacity for contingency planning and enable Member States to jointly cope with common health threats, in particular cross-border threats, where Union intervention can add tangible value. The programme complements health policies of the Member States and supports a 'One Health' approach, where applicable, in improving health outcomes through resilient, resource-efficient and inclusive health systems across the Member States, through better disease prevention and surveillance, health promotion, access, diagnosis and treatment, including the fight against cancer as well as cross-border collaboration in health. This programme is to also address non-communicable diseases, which have been shown to be a strong determinant of mortality from COVID-19.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	15 877 697 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2021/522 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 March 2021 establishing a Programme for the Union's action in the field of health ('EU4Health Programme') for the period 2021-2027, and repealing Regulation (EU) No 282/2014 (OJ L 107, 26.3.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/522/oj).

SEC3 Article 06 10 01 — European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
94 366 023	94 366 023	94 366 023	94 366 023	94 366 023	94 366 023	94 975 698	94 975 698	94 975 698	94 975 698

Remarks

Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 provides that the mission of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control is the following:

— In order to enhance the capacity of the Union and the Member States to protect human health through the prevention and control of communicable diseases in humans and related special health issues, the mission of the Centre is to identify and assess current and emerging threats to human health from communicable diseases and related special health issues, to report thereon and, where appropriate, to ensure that information thereon is presented in an easily accessible way. The Centre acts in collaboration with competent bodies of the Member States or on its own initiative, through a dedicated network. The mission of the Centre is also to provide science-based recommendations and support in coordinating the response at Union and national levels, as well as at cross-border interregional and regional level, to such threats, where appropriate. In providing such recommendations, the Centre, where necessary, cooperates with Member States and takes into account existing national crisis management plans and the respective circumstances of each Member State.

— In the event of other outbreaks of diseases of unknown origin that may spread within or to the Union, the Centre acts on its own initiative until the source of the outbreak is known. In the case of an outbreak that is clearly not of a communicable disease, the Centre acts only in cooperation with the coordinating competent bodies and upon their request, and provides a risk assessment.

— In pursuing its mission, the Centre respects the responsibilities of the Member States, the Commission and other Union bodies or agencies, and the responsibilities of third countries and international organisations active within the field of public health, in particular the World Health Organisation (WHO), in order to ensure that there is comprehensiveness, coherence and complementarity of action and that actions are coordinated.

— The Centre supports the work of the Health Security Committee (HSC), established by Article 4 of Regulation (EU) 2022/2371 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 November 2022 on serious cross-border threats to health and repealing Decision No 1082/2013/EU (OJ L 314, 6.12.2022, p. 26, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2371/oj), the Council, the Member States and, where relevant, other Union structures, in order to promote effective coherence between their respective activities and to coordinate responses to serious cross-border threats to health, within its mandate.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	95 588 641
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	612 943
Amount entered in the budget	94 975 698

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	2 519 573 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 April 2004 establishing a European Centre for disease prevention and control (OJ L 142, 30.4.2004, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2004/851/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/2370 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 November 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 establishing a European centre for disease prevention and control (OJ L 314, 6.12.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2370/oj).

Reference acts

Commission staff working document - Accompanying document to the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council - The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control activities on Communicable diseases: the positive outcomes since the Centre's establishment and the planned activities and resource needs (COM(2008) 741 / SEC(2008) 2792).

SEC3 Article 06 10 02 — European Food Safety Authority

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	163 270 993	163 700 894	163 270 993	163 700 894	163 270 993	163 700 894	164 369 993	165 696 894	164 369 993	165 696 894
Reserve (30 02 02)	*1 099 000*	*1 996 000*	*1 099 000*	*1 996 000*	*1 099 000*	*1 996 000*				
Total	164 369 993	165 696 894	164 369 993	165 696 894	164 369 993	165 696 894	164 369 993	165 696 894	164 369 993	165 696 894

Remarks

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) is the cornerstone of the Union system of risk assessment for food and feed safety. Its scientific advice on existing and emerging risks underpins the policies and decisions of risk managers in the Union institutions and Member States with the objective of protecting consumer health. The Authority's most critical commitment is to provide objective, transparent and independent advice and clear communication grounded in the most up-to-date scientific methodologies, information and data available. The Authority is committed to the core standards of scientific excellence, openness, transparency, independence and responsiveness.

The establishment plan of the Authority, as the outgoing Chair of the EU Agencies Network, includes one post to create a position for the Head of the Shared Support Office in Brussels. This is with the aim of promoting efficiency gains and synergies across agencies and with the institutions, so that individual agencies can focus their resources on core tasks. The financing of the post for the Head of the Shared Support Office will be shared between the agencies, which means that no additional funding for the Authority is required in this respect.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	164 763 536
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	393 543
Amount entered in the budget	164 369 993

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	4 306 494 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2002/178/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/1381 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on the transparency and sustainability of the EU risk assessment in the food chain and amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 1829/2003, (EC) No 1831/2003, (EC) No 2065/2003, (EC) No 1935/2004, (EC) No 1331/2008, (EC) No 1107/2009, (EU) 2015/2283 and Directive 2001/18/EC (OJ L 231, 6.9.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1381/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/2457 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 November 2025 amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 401/2009, (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2019/1021 as regards the reattribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals(OJ L, 2025/2457, 12.12.2025, ELI:http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2457/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 5 July 2023, on plants obtained by certain new genomic techniques and their food and feed, and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/625 (COM(2023) 411 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 16 December 2025, on establishing a framework of measures for strengthening Union’s biotechnology and biomanufacturing sectors, particularly in the area of healthand amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 1394/2007, (EU) No 536/2014, (EU) 2019/6, (EU) 2024/795 and (EU) 2024/1938 (European Biotech Act) (COM(2025) 1022 final)

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 16 December 2026, and amending Regulations (EC) No 999/2001, (EC) No 1829/2003, (EC) No 1831/2003, (EC) No 852/2004, (EC) No 853/2004, (EC) No 396/2005, (EC) No 1099/2009, (EC) No 1107/2009, (EU) No 528/2012, (EU) 2017/625 as regards the simplification and strengthening of food and feed safety requirements (COM/2025/1030 final)

Conditions for releasing the reserve

N/A

SEC3 Item 06 10 03 01 — Union contribution to the European Medicines Agency

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	33 122 115	33 122 115	33 122 115	33 122 115	33 122 115	33 122 115	34 130 115	34 130 115	34 130 115	34 130 115
Reserve (30 02 02)	*758 000*	*758 000*	*758 000*	*758 000*	*758 000*	*758 000*				
Total	33 880 115	33 880 115	33 880 115	33 880 115	33 880 115	33 880 115	34 130 115	34 130 115	34 130 115	34 130 115

Remarks

In order to promote the protection of human and animal health and of consumers of medicinal products throughout the Union, and in order to promote the completion of the internal market through the adoption of uniform regulatory decisions based on scientific criteria concerning the placing on the market and the use of medicinal products, the objective of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) is to provide the Member States and the institutions of the Union with the best possible scientific advice on any question relating to the evaluation of the quality, safety, and efficacy of medicinal products for human and veterinary use, in accordance with the provisions of the Union legislation relating to medicinal products.

Regulation (EU) 2022/123 strengthened the role of the EMA in crisis preparedness and the management of medicinal products and medical devices, allowing the EMA to closely monitor and mitigate shortages of medicines and facilitate the faster approval of medicines that could treat or prevent a disease causing a public health crisis. After an initial transition period, the EMA will also coordinate responses of the Member States on shortages of critical medical devices in the event of a crisis.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	34 149 700
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	19 585
Amount entered in the budget	34 130 115

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	904 599 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EC) No 141/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1999 on orphan medicinal products (OJ L 18, 22.1.2000, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2000/141/oj).

Directive 2001/83/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 November 2001 on the Community code relating to medicinal products for human use (OJ L 311, 28.11.2001, p. 67, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2001/83/oj).

Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 laying down Community procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Medicines Agency (OJ L 136, 30.4.2004, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2004/726/oj) (replacing Council Regulation (EEC) No 2309/93).

Commission Regulation (EC) No 2049/2005 of 15 December 2005 laying down, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council, rules regarding the payment of fees to, and the receipt of administrative assistance from, the European Medicines Agency by micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (OJ L 329, 16.12.2005, p. 4, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2005/2049/oj).

Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 on medicinal products for paediatric use and amending Regulation (EEC) No 1768/92, Directive

2001/20/EC, Directive 2001/83/EC and Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 (OJ L 378, 27.12.2006, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2006/1901/oj).

Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 November 2007 on advanced therapy medicinal products and amending Directive 2001/83/EC and Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 (OJ L 324, 10.12.2007, p. 121, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2007/1394/oj).

Commission Regulation (EC) No 1234/2008 of 24 November 2008 concerning the examination of variations to the terms of marketing authorisations for medicinal products for human use and veterinary medicinal products (OJ L 334, 12.12.2008, p. 7, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2008/1234/oj).

Regulation (EC) No 470/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 May 2009 laying down Community procedures for the establishment of residue limits of pharmacologically active substances in foodstuffs of animal origin, repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 2377/90 and amending Directive 2001/82/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 152, 16.6.2009, p. 11, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2009/470/oj).

Commission Regulation (EC) No 668/2009 of 24 July 2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the evaluation and certification of quality and non-clinical data relating to advanced therapy medicinal products developed by micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (OJ L 194, 25.7.2009, p. 7, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2009/668/oj).

Regulation (EU) No 536/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council of 16 April 2014 on clinical trials on medicinal products for human use, and repealing Directive 2001/20/EC (OJ L 158, 27.5.2014, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/536/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2017/745 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2017 on medical devices, amending Directive 2001/83/EC, Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 and Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 and repealing Council Directives 90/385/EEC and 93/42/EEC (OJ L 117, 5.5.2017, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/745/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2017/746 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2017 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices and repealing Directive 98/79/EC and Commission Decision 2010/227/EU (OJ L 117, 5.5.2017, p. 176, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/746/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/6 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on veterinary medicinal products and repealing Directive 2001/82/EC (OJ L 4, 7.1.2019, p. 43, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/6/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/123 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 January 2022 on a reinforced role for the European Medicines Agency in crisis preparedness and management for medicinal products and medical devices (OJ L 20, 31.1.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/123/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/568 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 February 2024 on fees and charges payable to the European Medicines Agency, amending Regulations (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2022/123 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EU) No 658/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EC) No 297/95 (OJ L, 2024/568, 14.2.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/568/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 26 April 2023, laying down Union procedures for the authorisation and supervision

of medicinal products for human use and establishing rules governing the European Medicines Agency, amending Regulation (EC) No 1394/2007 and Regulation (EU) No 536/2014 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 726/2004, Regulation (EC) No 141/2000 and Regulation (EC) No 1901/2006 (COM(2023) 193 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 11 March 2025, laying a framework for strengthening the availability and security of supply of critical medicinal products as well as the availability of, and accessibility of, medicinal products of common interest, and amending Regulation (EU) 2024/795 (COM(2025) 102 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 16 December 2025, amending Regulations (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2017/746 as regards simplifying and reducing the burden of the rules on medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices, and amending Regulation (EU) 2022/123 as regards the support of the European Medicines Agency for the expert panels on medical devices and Regulation (EU) 2024/1689 as regards the list of Union harmonisation legislation referred to in its Annex I (COM(2025) 1023/2 final

Proposal for or a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 16 December 2025, on establishing a framework of measures for strengthening Union's biotechnology and biomanufacturing sectors, particularly in the area of health and amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 1394/2007, (EU) No 536/2014, (EU) 2019/6, (EU) 2024/795 and (EU) 2024/1938 (European Biotech Act) (COM(2025) 1022 final)

Conditions for releasing the reserve

N/A

SEC3 Article 06 20 01 — Pilot projects

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	2 500 000	1 250 000	p.m.	p.m.	2 500 000	625 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of pilot projects of an experimental nature designed to test the feasibility of actions and their usefulness.

The list of pilot projects is set out in Annex 'Pilot projects and preparatory actions' to this section, under Chapter PP 06.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (a) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Item 07 01 01 01 — Support expenditure for the ESF+ — Shared management

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
7 274 836	7 274 836	7 424 836	7 274 836	7 274 836

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the technical assistance measures funded by the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) under Article 35 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060.

This appropriation may, in particular, be used to cover:

— support expenditure (representation expenses, training, meetings, missions and translations),

— expenditure on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff), including missions relating to the external personnel financed under this item.

SEC3 Item 07 01 02 01 — Support expenditure for Erasmus+

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
35 092 792	30 092 792	35 092 792	35 092 792	35 092 792

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the Erasmus+ programme, such as:

— preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities, including information technology systems,

— expenditure incurred on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) including support expenditure (expenses for representation, training, meetings, missions relating to the external personnel financed from this appropriation) required for the implementation of the activities set out in the Programme and financed from the assigned revenues stemming from contributions from third countries,

— expenditure on external personnel (contract staff, local staff or seconded national experts) in Union delegations in third countries, as well as additional logistical and infrastructure costs, such as the cost of training, meetings, missions and renting of accommodation directly resulting from the presence in delegations of external personnel remunerated from the appropriations entered in this item, and financed from the assigned revenues stemming from contributions from third countries,

— expenditure on IT covering both equipment and services, including corporate IT,

— expenditure on studies, evaluation measures and audits, meetings of experts and the participation of stakeholders in ad hoc meetings, seminars and conferences pertaining to major topics, communication activities and publications.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	936 978 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	2 531 200 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Item 07 01 03 01 — Support expenditure for the European Solidarity Corps

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
5 989 774	5 813 774	5 989 774	5 989 774	5 989 774

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the European Solidarity Corps programme, such as:

— preparatory, monitoring, control, audit and evaluation activities, including information technology systems,

— expenditure incurred on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) including support expenditure (expenses for representation, training, meetings, missions relating to the external personnel financed from this appropriation) required for the implementation of the activities set out in the Programme and financed from the assigned revenues stemming from contributions from third countries,

— expenditure on external personnel (contract staff, local staff or seconded national experts) in Union delegations in third countries, as well as additional logistical and infrastructure costs, such as the cost of training, meetings, missions and renting of accommodation directly resulting from the presence in delegations of external personnel remunerated from the appropriations entered in this item, and financed from the assigned revenues stemming from contributions from third countries,

— expenditure on IT covering both equipment and services, including corporate IT,

— expenditure on studies, evaluation measures and audits, meetings of experts and the participation of stakeholders in ad hoc meetings, seminars and conferences pertaining to major topics, communication activities and publications.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	13 776 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	304 281 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Article 07 02 01 — ESF+ shared management strand — Operational expenditure

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
14 431 940 883	16 419 400 000	14 431 940 883	16 419 400 000	14 431 940 883	16 419 400 000	14 431 940 883	16 419 400 000	14 431 940 883	16 419 400 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure aiming to reduce the economic, social and territorial disparities, which have arisen, particularly in countries and regions whose development is lagging behind, in connection with the speeding-up of economic and social restructuring, clean energy transition, digitalisation of the workplace, growing skills and labour shortages and the implications and impact of demographic change, including population ageing, in order to create a more social Europe. This is to be done in line with the principles of the European Pillar of Social Rights.

It will cover the following three categories of regions:

— less developed regions, with a GDP per capita less than 75 % of the average GDP of the Union,

— transition regions, with a GDP per capita between 75 % and 100 % of the average GDP of the Union,

— more developed regions, with a GDP per capita above 100 % of the average GDP of the Union.

Promotion of equality between women and men horizontally and through specific actions should be part of the support provided by the ESF+ in order to increase the participation of women in employment as well as conciliation between working and personal life and combat the feminisation of poverty and gender discrimination in the labour market and in education and training.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	300 000 000 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 07 02 04 — ESF+ — Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI) strand

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
96 782 815	105 243 935	96 782 815	105 243 935	101 782 815	107 743 935	96 782 815	105 243 935	96 782 815	105 243 935

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of the EaSI strand of the ESF+ programme. The general objective of the EaSI strand is to promote employment, equal access to the labour market, education and training, and social inclusion by providing financial support for the Union's objectives.

To achieve the general objectives of promoting a high level of employment, guaranteeing adequate social protection, combating social exclusion and poverty, improving working conditions and protecting workers' safety and health, the EaSI strand is in particular to:

— develop and disseminate high-quality comparative analytical knowledge in order to ensure that related policies are based on sound evidence and are relevant to needs, challenges and local conditions,

— facilitate effective and inclusive information sharing, mutual learning, peer reviews and dialogue on related policies at national, Union and international levels in order to assist the design of appropriate policy measures,

— support social experimentation in the related areas and build up the stakeholders' capacity at national and local levels to prepare, design and implement, transfer or upscale tested social policy innovations, in particular with regard to the scaling up of projects developed by local stakeholders in the field of the socio-economic integration of third-country nationals,

— facilitate the voluntary geographic mobility of workers and increase employment opportunities through developing and providing specific support services to employers and jobseekers with a view to the development of integrated European labour markets, ranging from pre-recruitment preparation to post-placement assistance in order to fill vacancies in certain sectors, professions, countries or border regions, or for particular groups, such as people in vulnerable situations,

— support the development of the market ecosystem around the provision of microfinance to microenterprises in start-up and development phases, in particular those that are created by or employ people in vulnerable situations,

— support networking at Union level and dialogue with and among relevant stakeholders in the related policy areas and contribute to build up the institutional capacity of involved stakeholders, including the public employment services, public social security and health insurance institutions, civil society, microfinance institutions and institutions providing finance to social enterprises and social economy,

— support the development of social enterprises and the emergence of a social investment market, facilitating public and private interactions and the participation of foundations and philanthropic actors in that market,

— provide guidance for the development of social infrastructure needed for the implementation of the European Pillar of Social Rights,

— support transnational cooperation in order to accelerate the transfer, and facilitate the scaling up, of innovative solutions, in particular for the related policy areas,

— support the implementation of relevant international social and labour standards in the context of harnessing globalisation and the external dimension of Union policies in the related policy areas.

Support will be provided to eligible actions related to the implementation of the EaSI strand, such as analytical activities, policy implementation, capacity building, and communication and dissemination. Article 26 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1057 sets out the actions that may be financed.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	2 535 710 6 6 0 0
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	465 000 6 1 2 0

SEC3 Item 07 03 01 01 — Promoting learning mobility of individuals and groups, and cooperation, inclusion and equity, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training — Indirect management

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 112 467 103	3 040 464 047	3 067 467 103	3 025 464 047	3 200 467 103	3 106 464 047	3 112 467 103	3 040 464 047	3 126 467 103	3 043 964 047

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the field of education and training of the Erasmus+ programme under indirect management. It shall support the three key actions.

Key action 1: Learning mobility

In the field of education and training, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) the learning mobility of higher education students and staff; (b) the learning mobility of vocational education and training learners and staff; (c) the learning mobility of school pupils and staff; and (d) the learning mobility of adult education learners and staff.

Learning mobility may be accompanied by virtual learning and measures, such as language support, preparatory visits, training and virtual cooperation. Learning mobility may be replaced by virtual learning for those persons who are unable to participate in learning mobility.

Key action 2: Cooperation among organisations and institutions

In the field of education and training, the Erasmus+ programme is to support partnerships for cooperation and exchanges of practices, including small-scale partnerships to foster wider and more inclusive access to the programme.

Key action 3: Support to policy development and cooperation

In the field of education and training, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) the preparation and implementation of the Union general and sectoral policy agendas in education and training, including with the support of the Eurydice network or activities of other relevant

organisations; (b) Union tools and measures that foster the quality, transparency and recognition of competences, skills and qualifications; (c) policy dialogue and cooperation with relevant stakeholders, including Union-wide networks, European organisations and international organisations in the field of education and training; (d) measures that contribute to the high-quality and inclusive implementation of the Erasmus+ programme; (e) cooperation with other Union instruments and support to other Union policies; and (f) dissemination and awareness-raising activities about European policy outcomes and priorities and about the Erasmus+ programme.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	83 102 872 6 6 0 0
Other countries	627 567 934 6 0 4 1

SEC3 Item 07 03 01 02 — Promoting learning mobility of individuals and groups, and cooperation, inclusion and equity, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training — Direct management

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
749 040 388	784 867 414	676 040 388	760 567 414	749 040 388	784 867 414	749 040 388	784 867 414	749 040 388	784 867 414

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the field of education and training of the Erasmus+ programme under direct management. It shall support the three key actions and Jean Monnet actions.

Key action 1: Learning mobility

Learning mobility may be accompanied by virtual learning and measures, such as language support, preparatory visits, training and virtual cooperation. Learning mobility may be replaced by virtual learning for those persons who are unable to participate in learning mobility.

Key action 2: Cooperation among organisations and institutions

In the field of education and training, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) partnerships for cooperation and exchanges of practices – European NGOs; (b) partnerships for excellence, in particular European universities, platforms of centres of vocational excellence and Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Degrees; (c) partnerships for innovation to strengthen Europe's innovation capacity; and (d) user-friendly online platforms and tools for virtual cooperation, including support services for eTwinning and for the Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe, and tools to facilitate learning mobility, including the European Student Card initiative.

Key action 3: Support to policy development and cooperation

In the field of education and training, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) the preparation and implementation of the Union general and sectoral policy agendas in the field of education and training, including with the support of the Eurydice network or activities of other relevant organisations, and the support to the Bologna Process; (b) Union tools and measures that foster the quality, transparency and recognition of competences, skills and qualifications; (c) policy dialogue and cooperation with relevant stakeholders, including Union-wide networks, European organisations and international organisations in the field of education and training; (d) measures that contribute to the qualitative and inclusive implementation of the Erasmus+ programme; (e)

cooperation with other Union instruments and support to other Union policies; and (f) dissemination and awareness-raising activities about European policy outcomes and priorities and about the Erasmus+ programme.

Jean Monnet actions

The Erasmus+ programme is to support teaching, learning, research and debates on European integration matters, including on the Union's future challenges and opportunities, through the following actions: (a) the Jean Monnet action in the field of higher education; (b) the Jean Monnet action in other fields of education and training; and (c) support to the following institutions pursuing an aim of European interest: the European University Institute, Florence, including its School of Transnational Governance; the College of Europe (Bruges and Natolin campuses); the European Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht; the Academy of European Law, Trier; the European Agency for Special Needs and Inclusive Education, Odense; and the International Centre for European Training, Nice.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	19 999 378 6 6 0 0
Other countries	149 930 999 6 0 4 1

SEC3 Article 07 03 02 — Promoting non-formal and informal learning mobility and active participation among young people, and cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of youth

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
481 913 345	440 636 392	454 913 345	431 636 392	486 913 345	444 386 392	481 913 345	440 636 392	481 913 345	440 636 392

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the field of youth of the Erasmus+ programme. It shall support the following three key actions:

Key action 1: Learning mobility

In the field of youth, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) the learning mobility of young people; (b) youth participation activities; (c) DiscoverEU activities; and (d) the learning mobility of youth workers.

Those actions may be accompanied by virtual learning and measures, such as language support, preparatory visits, training and virtual cooperation. Learning mobility may be replaced by virtual learning for those persons who are unable to participate in learning mobility.

Key action 2: Cooperation among organisations and institutions

In the field of youth, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) partnerships for cooperation and exchanges of practices, including small-scale partnerships to foster wider and more inclusive access to the Erasmus+ programme; (b) partnerships for innovation to strengthen Europe's innovation capacity; and (c) user-friendly online platforms and tools for virtual cooperation.

Key action 3: Support to policy development and cooperation

In the field of youth, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) the preparation and implementation of the Union policy agenda on youth, with the support, as relevant, of the Youth Wiki network; (b) Union tools and measures that foster the quality, transparency and recognition of competences and skills, in particular through Youthpass; (c) policy dialogue and cooperation with relevant stakeholders, including Union-wide networks, European organisations and international organisations in the field of youth, the EU Youth Dialogue, and support to the European Youth Forum; (d) measures that contribute to the high-quality and inclusive implementation of the Erasmus+ programme, including support for the Eurodesk Network; (e) cooperation with other Union instruments and support to other Union policies; and (f) dissemination and awareness-raising activities about European policy outcomes and priorities and about the Erasmus+ programme.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	12 867 086 6 6 0 0
Other countries	97 702 769 6 0 4 1

SEC3 Article 07 03 03 — Promoting learning mobility of sport staff, and cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of sport organisations and sport policies

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
94 773 517	89 536 729	85 773 517	86 536 729	97 773 517	91 786 729	94 773 517	89 536 729	94 773 517	89 536 729

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover sport activities of the Erasmus+ programme. It shall support the following three key actions

Key action 1: Learning mobility

In the field of sport, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the learning mobility of sport staff.

Learning mobility may be accompanied by virtual learning and measures, such as language support, preparatory visits, training and virtual cooperation. Learning mobility may be replaced by virtual learning for those persons who are unable to participate in learning mobility.

Key action 2: Cooperation among organisations and institutions

In the field of sport, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) partnerships for cooperation and exchanges of practices, including small-scale partnerships to foster wider and more inclusive access to the Erasmus+ programme; and (b) not for profit sport events aiming at further developing the European dimension of sport and promoting issues of relevance to grassroots sport.

Key action 3: Support to policy development and cooperation

In the field of sport, the Erasmus+ programme is to support the following actions: (a) the preparation and implementation of the Union policy agenda on sport and physical activity; (b) policy dialogue and cooperation with relevant stakeholders, including European organisations and international organisations in the field of sport; (c) measures that contribute to the high-quality and inclusive implementation of the Erasmus+ programme; (d) cooperation with other Union instruments and support to other Union policies; and (e) dissemination and awareness-raising activities about European policy outcomes and priorities and about the Erasmus+ programme.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	2 530 453 6 6 0 0
Other countries	18 970 255 6 0 4 1

SEC3 Article 07 05 01 — Culture strand

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
129 078 437	130 084 906	121 278 437	127 484 906	129 078 437	130 084 906	129 078 437	130 084 906	129 078 437	130 084 906

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the cultural and creative sectors with the exception of the audiovisual sector (the Culture strand) within the Creative Europe programme. In line with the objectives of the Creative Europe programme, the Culture strand is to have the following priorities: (a) to strengthen transnational cooperation and the cross-border dimension of the creation, circulation and visibility of European works and the mobility of operators in the cultural and creative sectors; (b) to increase access to and participation in culture and to increase audience engagement and improve audience development across Europe; (c) to promote societal resilience and to enhance social inclusion and intercultural dialogue through culture and cultural heritage; (d) to enhance the capacity of the European cultural and creative sectors, including the capacity of individuals working in those sectors, to nurture talent, to innovate, to prosper and to generate jobs and growth; (e) to strengthen European identity and values through cultural awareness, arts education and culture-based creativity in education; (f) to promote capacity building within the European cultural and creative sectors, including grassroots organisations and micro-organisations, so that they are able to be active at the international level; and (g) to contribute to the Union’s global strategy for international relations through culture.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	3 446 394 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	965 504 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Article 07 05 02 — Media strand

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
226 405 577	216 042 660	203 205 577	208 312 660	231 405 577	218 542 660	226 405 577	216 042 660	227 405 577	216 292 660

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the audiovisual sector (the Media strand) within the Creative Europe programme. In line with the objectives of the Creative Europe programme, the Media strand is to have the following priorities: (a) to nurture talent, competence and skills and to stimulate cross-border cooperation, mobility, and innovation in the creation and production of European audiovisual works, thereby encouraging collaboration across Member States with different audiovisual capacities; (b) to enhance the circulation, promotion, online distribution and theatrical distribution of European audiovisual works within the Union and internationally in the new digital environment, including

through innovative business models; and (c) to promote European audiovisual works, including heritage works, and to support the engagement and development of audiences of all ages, in particular young audiences, across Europe and beyond.

Those priorities are to be addressed through support for the development, production, promotion, dissemination and access to European works with the objective of reaching diverse audiences within Europe and beyond, thereby adapting to new market developments and accompanying the implementation of Directive 2010/13/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 March 2010 on the coordination of certain provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action in Member States concerning the provision of audiovisual media services (Audiovisual Media Services Directive) (OJ L 95, 15.4.2010, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2010/13/oj).

The priorities of the Media strand are to take into account the differences across countries regarding audiovisual content production, distribution and access as well as the size and specificities of the respective markets.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	6 045 029 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	992 356 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Article 07 05 03 — Cross-sectoral strand

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
34 830 793	33 287 077	34 230 793	33 087 077	34 830 793	33 287 077	34 830 793	33 287 077	34 830 793	33 287 077

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions across all cultural and creative sectors (the Cross-sectoral strand) within the Creative Europe programme. In line with the objectives of the Creative Europe programme, the Cross-sectoral strand is to have the following priorities: (a) to support cross-sectoral transnational policy cooperation, including cooperation on the promotion of the role of culture in social inclusion and cooperation on artistic freedom, to promote the visibility of the Creative Europe programme and to support the transferability of its results; (b) to encourage innovative approaches to the creation, distribution and promotion of, and access to, content across cultural and creative sectors and other sectors, including by taking into account the digital shift, covering both market and non-market dimensions; (c) to promote cross-sectoral activities that aim at adjusting to the structural and technological changes faced by the media, including enhancing a free, diverse and pluralistic media environment, quality journalism and media literacy, including in the digital environment; and (d) to support the establishment of programme desks in participating countries and the activities of programme desks and to stimulate cross-border cooperation and the exchange of best practices within the cultural and creative sectors.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	929 982 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	227 174 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Article 07 06 01 — Equality and rights

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
52 239 645	33 014 489	44 239 645	30 364 489	52 239 645	33 014 489	52 239 645	33 014 489	52 239 645	33 014 489

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to focus on promoting equality and preventing and combating inequalities and discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation, and respecting the principle of non-discrimination on the grounds provided for in Article 21 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union; supporting, advancing and implementing comprehensive policies relating to women's rights, gender equality, racism and all forms of intolerance, the rights of the child and the rights of persons with disabilities; protecting and promoting Union citizenship rights and the right to the protection of personal data.

Those objectives will be pursued in particular through support to the following activities: awareness raising, mutual learning, analytical and monitoring activities, training, and ICT tools development and maintenance.

This appropriation will also support the European Network of Equality Bodies (Equinet).

SEC3 Article 07 06 02 — Citizens' engagement and participation in the democratic life of the Union

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
58 604 965	68 580 107	58 604 965	68 580 107	68 604 965	73 580 107	58 604 965	68 580 107	59 604 965	68 830 107

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to focus on:

— supporting projects aimed at remembering defining events in modern European history, such as the coming to power of authoritarian and totalitarian regimes, including the causes and consequences thereof, and projects aimed at raising awareness among European citizens of their common history, culture, cultural heritage and values, thereby enhancing their understanding of the Union, of its origins, purpose, diversity and achievements and of the importance of mutual understanding and tolerance,

— promoting citizens and representative associations' participation in and contribution to the democratic and civic life of the Union by making known and publicly exchanging their views in all areas of Union action,

— promoting exchanges between citizens of different countries, in particular through town twinning and networks of towns, so as to afford them practical experience of the richness and diversity of the common heritage of the Union and to make them aware that such richness and diversity constitute the foundation for a common future.

The above specific objectives will be pursued in particular through support to the following activities: town-twinning activities, network of towns and remembrance projects, awareness raising, mutual learning, analytical and monitoring activities, training, ICT tools development and maintenance, and support to civil society organisations.

This appropriation will also contribute to the technical and organisational support of European citizens' initiatives.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	397 357 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Article 07 06 03 — Daphne

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
37 712 026	30 786 778	35 312 026	29 956 778	42 712 026	33 286 778	37 712 026	30 786 778	37 712 026	30 786 778

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to focus on:

— preventing and combating at all levels all forms of gender-based violence against women and girls and domestic violence, including by promoting the standards laid down in the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (the Istanbul Convention),

— preventing and combating all forms of violence against children, young people and other groups at risk, such as LGBTIQ persons and persons with disabilities,

— supporting and protecting all direct and indirect victims of such forms of violence, such as the victims of domestic violence perpetrated within the family or violence in intimate relationships, including children orphaned as a result of domestic crimes, and supporting and ensuring the same level of protection throughout the Union for victims of gender-based violence.

Those specific objectives will be pursued in particular through support to the following activities: awareness raising, mutual learning, analytical and monitoring activities, training, and ICT tools development and maintenance.

SEC3 Article 07 06 04 — Union values

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
150 734 234	128 791 139	121 934 234	119 191 139	150 734 234	128 791 139	150 734 234	128 791 139	150 734 234	128 791 139

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to focus on protecting, promoting and raising awareness on rights by providing financial support to civil society organisations which are active at local, regional, national and transnational level in promoting and cultivating those rights, thereby also strengthening the protection and promotion of Union values and the respect for the rule of law and contributing to the construction of a more democratic Union, democratic dialogue, transparency and good governance.

The above specific objective will be pursued in particular through supporting civil society organisations and non-profit stakeholders active in the areas of the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values programme to increase their capacity to react, to carry out advocacy activities to promote rights and to ensure adequate access for all citizens to their services, counselling and support activities.

SEC3 Article 07 10 01 — European Foundation for the improvement of living and working conditions (Eurofound)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
25 882 314	25 882 314	25 882 314	25 882 314	25 882 314	25 882 314	26 107 033	26 107 033	26 107 033	26 107 033

Remarks

The European Foundation for the improvement of living and working conditions (Eurofound) delivers and disseminates important knowledge on work-related and social matters to contribute to sound and evidence-based policies in those fields. Its core activity relates to research in the areas of employment, working conditions, industrial relations and quality of life. The activities of Eurofound contribute to the following priorities: increasing labour market participation and combating unemployment by creating jobs, improving labour market functioning and promoting integration and gender equality, improving working conditions and making work sustainable throughout the life course, developing industrial relations to ensure equitable and productive solutions in a changing policy context, and improving standards of living and promoting social cohesion in the face of economic disparities and social inequalities such as the gender employment gap and the gender pay gap.

Part of this appropriation is intended for studies on working conditions and industrial relations in support of policies ensuring more and better jobs, making work more sustainable and strengthening social dialogue in Europe.

Another part of this appropriation is intended for studies and forward-looking research on labour markets, specifically the monitoring and anticipation of structural change, its impact on employment and the management of the consequences.

This appropriation will also cover research and gathering of knowledge on living conditions and quality of life with a particular focus on social policies and the role of public services in improving quality of life. Research into reconciliation of professional and private life and precarious employment, including breaking down by gender, is also covered by this appropriation.

Finally, this appropriation will be used for the analysis of the impact of digitalisation on all of the above-described areas and for studies contributing to policies aimed at upward convergence in the Union.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2019/127 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 January 2019 establishing the European Foundation for the improvement of living and working conditions (Eurofound) and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1365/75 (OJ L 30, 31.1.2019, p. 74, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/127/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 02 — European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
17 116 242	17 116 242	17 116 242	17 116 242	17 116 242	17 116 242	17 231 407	17 231 407	17 231 407	17 231 407

Remarks

The European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA) is committed to making Europe a safer, healthier and more productive place to work. EU-OSHA identifies and assesses new and emerging risks at work, and mainstreams occupational safety and health into other policy areas, such as education, public health and research. EU-OSHA raises awareness and disseminates information

on the importance of workers' health and safety to governments, employers' and employees' organisations, Union institutions, bodies and networks, and private companies.

EU-OSHA's objective is to provide the Union institutions and bodies, Member States and interested parties with technical, scientific and economic information and qualified expertise in the area of health and safety at work. Special attention will be paid to gender aspects in the area of health and safety at work.

This appropriation is intended to cover the measures necessary to accomplish EU-OSHA's tasks as defined in Regulation (EU) 2019/126, and in particular:

— awareness-building and risk anticipation measures, with special emphasis on small and medium-sized enterprises,

— operation of the European Risk Observatory based on examples of good practice collected from firms or specific branches of activity,

— preparation and provision of relevant tools for smaller enterprises to manage health and safety at work,

— operation of the network comprising the main component elements of the national information networks, including the national employers' and employees' organisations, in accordance with national law or practice, as well as the national focal points,

— organising exchanges of experience, information and good practices, including in collaboration with the International Labour Organization and other international organisations,

— integrating candidate countries into these information networks and devising working tools which are geared to their specific situation,

— organising and running the European Campaign on Healthy Workplaces as well as the European Week on Health and Safety, focusing on specific risks and needs of users and final beneficiaries.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	18 131 456
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	900 049
Amount entered in the budget	17 231 407

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	457 004 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2019/126 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 January 2019 establishing the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA), and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 2062/94 (OJ L 30, 31.1.2019, p. 58, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/126/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 03 — European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
21 543 533	21 543 533	21 023 533	21 023 533	21 543 533	21 543 533	21 722 736	21 722 736	21 722 736	21 722 736

Remarks

The European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop) supports the promotion, development and implementation of Union policies in the field of vocational education and training as well as skills and qualification policies by working together with the Commission, the Member States and the social partners. To that end, Cedefop enhances and disseminates knowledge, provides evidence and services for the purpose of policy making, including research-based conclusions, and facilitates knowledge sharing among and between Union and national actors.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	575 212 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2019/128 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 January 2019 establishing a European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop) and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 337/75 (OJ L 30, 31.1.2019, p. 90, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/128/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 04 — European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
26 770 000	26 770 000	26 770 000	26 770 000	26 770 000	26 770 000	26 998 906	26 998 906	26 998 906	26 998 906

Remarks

The objective of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) is to provide assistance and expertise in the area of fundamental rights to Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies, and to Member State authorities, when they implement Union law. By providing such assistance and expertise, FRA supports them to fully respect fundamental rights when they take measures or formulate courses of action within their respective spheres of competence.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	27 338 354
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	339 448
Amount entered in the budget	26 998 906

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EC) No 168/2007 of 15 February 2007 establishing a European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (OJ L 53, 22.2.2007, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2007/168/oj).

Council Regulation (EU) 2022/555 of 5 April 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 168/2007 establishing a European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (OJ L 108, 7.4.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/555/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 05 — European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
10 756 555	10 756 555	10 756 555	10 756 555	12 356 555	12 356 555	10 831 625	10 831 625	10 831 625	10 831 625

Remarks

The European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) contributes to and strengthens the promotion of gender equality, including gender mainstreaming in all Union policies and the resulting national policies, and the fight against discrimination based on sex, and to raise Union citizens' awareness of gender equality by providing technical assistance to the Union institutions, in particular the Commission, and the authorities of the Member States.

EIGE carries out, *inter alia*, the following tasks:

— collect, analyse and disseminate relevant objective, comparable and reliable information as regards gender equality, including results from research and best practices,

— develop methods to improve the objectivity, comparability and reliability of data at European level by establishing criteria that will improve the consistency of information and take into account gender issues when collecting data,

— develop, analyse, evaluate and disseminate methodological tools in order to support the integration of gender equality into all Union policies and the resulting national policies and to support gender mainstreaming in all Union institutions and bodies,

— organise meetings of experts to support the institute's research work, encourage the exchange of information among researchers and promote the inclusion of a gender perspective in their research,

— raise Union citizens' awareness of gender equality, disseminate information regarding best practices and make documentation resources accessible to the public,

— provide information to the Union's institutions on gender equality and gender mainstreaming in the accession and candidate countries.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	10 937 982
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	106 357
Amount entered in the budget	10 831 625

Legal basis

Regulation (EC) No 1922/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 on establishing a European Institute for Gender Equality (OJ L 403, 30.12.2006, p. 9, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2006/1922/oj).

Directive (EU) 2024/1385 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 on combating violence against women and domestic violence (OJ L, 2024/1385, 24.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2024/1385/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 06 — European Training Foundation (ETF)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
25 644 156	25 644 156	24 244 156	24 244 156	25 644 156	25 644 156	25 866 580	25 866 580	25 866 580	25 866 580

Remarks

The European Training Foundation (ETF), in the context of the Union's external relations policies, helps transition and developing countries to harness the potential of their human capital through the reform of vocational education and training systems in a lifelong learning perspective.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	25 967 424
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus	100 844
Amount entered in the budget	25 866 580

Legal basis

Regulation (EC) No 1339/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 establishing a European Training Foundation (OJ L 354, 31.12.2008, p. 82, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2008/1339/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 07 — European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
74 373 866	76 207 866	74 373 866	76 207 866	82 373 866	84 207 866	77 053 551	78 887 551	77 053 551	78 887 551

Remarks

The purpose of the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust) is to support and strengthen coordination and cooperation between national investigating and prosecuting authorities in relation to serious crime affecting two or more Member States. It acts at the request of the Member State authorities, on its own initiative or at the request of the EPPO within the limits of the EPPO's competence, and supports Member States through expediting requests for mutual legal assistance, organising coordinated approaches to operational actions, and providing both operational and financial support to joint investigation teams.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	77 968 204
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	914 653
Amount entered in the budget	77 053 551

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 November 2018 on the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust), and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2002/187/JHA (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 138, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1727/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/838 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2022 amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 as regards the preservation, analysis and storage at Eurojust of evidence relating to genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and related criminal offences (OJ L 148, 31.5.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/838/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/969 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 May 2023 establishing a collaboration platform to support the functioning of joint investigation teams and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1726 (OJ L 132, 17.5.2023, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/969/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/2131 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 October 2023 amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decision 2005/671/JHA, as regards digital information exchange in terrorism cases (OJ L, 2023/2131, 11.10.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2131/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/2082 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 October 2025 amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 as regards the extension of the timeframe for the establishment of the Eurojust case management system (OJ L, 2025/2082, 15.10.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2082/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 08 — European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
99 737 568	99 737 568	93 437 568	93 437 568	109 737 568	109 737 568	102 556 619	102 556 619	104 556 619	104 556 619

Remarks

The European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) is responsible for investigating, prosecuting and bringing to judgment the perpetrators of, and accomplices to, criminal offences affecting the financial interests of the Union which are provided for in Directive (EU) 2017/1371 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2017 on the fight against fraud to the Union's financial interests by means of criminal law (OJ L 198, 28.7.2017, p. 29, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2017/1371/oj) and determined by Regulation (EU) 2017/1939. In that respect, the EPPO undertakes investigations, carries out acts of prosecution and exercises the functions of prosecutor in the competent courts of the Member States, until the case has been finally disposed of.

This appropriation is intended to cover the EPPO's recruitment and staff-related expenditure, buildings (including building security), infrastructure and administrative information technology-related expenditures (Titles 1 and 2). It includes operational expenditure related to the costs related to the EPPO's investigations in accordance with Article 91(5) and (6) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, the EPPO case management system, the IT exchange platform between the EPPO Central Office, the European Delegated Prosecutors and other judicial and law enforcement authorities in the Member States, which is a key element for the good functioning of the EPPO, and provisions for close protection services for senior EPPO staff, payment of the European Delegated Prosecutors and substantial translation costs for the operational needs of the EPPO (Title 3).

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	104 771 649
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	215 030
Amount entered in the budget	104 556 619

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office (the EPPO) (OJ L 283, 31.10.2017, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/1939/oj).

SEC3 Article 07 10 09 — European Labour Authority (ELA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
52 240 198	54 264 180	51 490 198	53 514 180	52 240 198	54 264 180	52 240 198	54 264 180	52 240 198	54 264 180

Remarks

The objective of the European Labour Authority (ELA) is to contribute to ensuring fair labour mobility across the Union and assist Member States and the Commission in the coordination of social security systems within the Union. To this end, ELA is to facilitate access to information on rights and obligations regarding labour mobility across the Union as well as to relevant services; facilitate and enhance cooperation between Member States in the enforcement of relevant Union law across the Union, including facilitating concerted and joint inspections; mediate and facilitate a solution in cases of cross-border disputes between Member States; and support cooperation between Member States in tackling undeclared work.

This appropriation is intended to cover the measures necessary to accomplish ELA's tasks, in particular:

— facilitate access to information and coordinate the European network of employment services (EURES),

— facilitate cooperation and the exchange of information between Member States with a view to the consistent, efficient and effective application and enforcement of relevant Union law,

— coordinate and support concerted and joint inspections,

— carry out analyses and risk assessments on issues of cross-border labour mobility,

— support Member States with capacity-building regarding the effective application and enforcement of relevant Union law,

— support Member States in tackling undeclared work,

— mediate in disputes between Member States on the application of relevant Union law.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	53 370 885

of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	1 130 687
Amount entered in the budget	52 240 198

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	1 394 813 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2019/1149 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 establishing a European Labour Authority, amending Regulations (EC) No 883/2004, (EU) No 492/2011, and (EU) 2016/589 and repealing Decision (EU) 2016/344 (OJ L 186, 11.7.2019, p. 21, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1149/oj).

SEC3 Item 07 20 01 01 — Pilot projects under sub-heading 2b

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	4 149 822	p.m.	4 149 822	4 950 000	6 624 822	p.m.	4 149 822	4 950 000	5 387 322

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of pilot projects under sub-heading 2b *Resilience and Values*.

SEC3 Item 07 20 01 02 — Pilot projects under sub-heading 2a

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	900 000	p.m.	900 000	250 000	1 025 000	p.m.	900 000	250 000	962 500

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of pilot projects under sub-heading 2a *Economic, social and territorial cohesion*.

SEC3 Article 07 20 02 — Preparatory actions

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	12 440 715	p.m.	12 440 715	3 400 000	14 140 715	p.m.	12 440 715	3 400 000	13 290 715

Remarks

The appropriations under this article are intended to finance the implementation of preparatory actions in the field of application of the TFEU and the Euratom Treaty, designed to prepare proposals with a view to the adoption of future actions.

The list of preparatory actions is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under chapter PA 07.

Legal basis

Article 58(2), point (b), of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Item 07 20 04 01 — Multimedia actions

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
21 247 711	19 140 950	21 108 711	19 095 950	21 247 711	19 140 950	21 247 711	19 140 950	21 247 711	19 140 950

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to increase the availability of general information given to citizens on topics concerning Europe and the Union so as to allow citizens to make full use of their right to be informed about and involved in European policies and to increase the visibility of the work of the Union institutions, the decisions taken and the stages in the building of the Union. It concerns essentially the funding or co-funding of the production or dissemination of multimedia (radio, TV, internet, etc.) information products, including by pan-European media and networks made up of local and national media delivering news on European affairs, as well as the tools necessary to develop a policy in this respect.

This appropriation also covers support expenditure, such as on studies, meetings, *ex post* controls, expert technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts, evaluation and audit of current or future activities, feasibility studies, publications, and the repayment of travel and related expenses of experts.

Where appropriate, the procurement and grant procedures may include the conclusion of framework partnerships with a view to promoting a stable financing framework for the pan-European media funded under this appropriation.

SEC3 Item 07 20 04 03 — Commission Representations

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
28 757 000	25 349 000	28 569 000	25 289 000	28 757 000	25 349 000	28 757 000	25 349 000	28 757 000	25 349 000

Remarks

The Commission’s communication products and services are directly addressed to citizens in all Member States, providing information for and engagement with citizens to ensure that communication services for citizens are made available through simple, clear and understandable messages tailored to their needs, either via a mix of channels and media (traditional and new) or by directly communicating with citizens and stimulating exchange and engagement face-to-face. Together, this helps citizens to access up-to-date and user-friendly information on Union policies and values. It contributes to citizens’ increased awareness and understanding of European affairs and, in turn, stimulates citizens’ interest in engaging directly with ‘the faces of the Commission’, be it locally, nationally or Europe-wide.

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure on corporate communication actions, which includes costs for the production of content, provision of corporate technical services, dissemination of information through integrated communication actions, organisation of and participation in events, studies or evaluations, and professionalisation activities where relevant.

This appropriation is intended to fund general information and communication or engagement activities addressed at citizens and stakeholders in all Member States, mainly provided by the Commission Representations in the Member States, and covers:

— communication actions linked to specific annual or multiannual political priorities of the Commission, as formulated in the State of the Union Address of the Commission President, the Commission's Work Programme and the Joint Declaration (in the context of implementing the Interinstitutional Agreement of 13 April 2016 between the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission on Better Law-Making (OJ L 123, 12.5.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_interinstit/2016/512/oj)), and ad hoc communication actions on a regional, national or international scale that fit in with the political priorities; those communication actions can be organised in partnership with the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions or the Member States (national, regional and local levels) in order to create synergies between the partners and to coordinate their information and communication activities on the Union,

— open door events for citizens,

— dialogues and panels with citizens in the Member States, including in virtual and hybrid formats, to promote a new generation of engagement with citizens, both as an exercise in participative democracy and as a way to improve policy making,

— seminars and conferences as well as workshops with more specific target groups, such as young people, applying participatory methods and using modern communication technologies,

— organisation of or participation in European events, exhibitions and public relations activities, organisation of individual visits, etc.,

— direct communication actions targeting the general public (e.g., citizens' advice services),

— communication activities to fight disinformation,

— direct communication measures targeting stakeholders and opinion multipliers, in particular stepped-up measures involving the regional and national media, which is a major information outlet for a large number of Union citizens,

— management and operation of information centres and multimedia spaces and installations for the general public,

— social media outreach in the Member States, including data analytics,

— local support activities for the Europe Direct and other networks supported by the Commission, such as training, coordination, assistance and promotion, which also includes production, storage and distribution of information material and communication products by those outlets as well as for them,

— expenditure on studies, logistical services, technical assistance, in particular for IT including web maintenance, meetings of experts and expert technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts as well as the repayment of travel and related expenses of persons invited to follow the work of the Commission,

— IT expenditure for development and maintenance of relevant information and management systems,

— the exchange of best practices, knowledge transfer and professionalisation by financing visits of digital communication experts and practitioners,

— information, seminars and support for journalists,

— evaluation and professionalisation expenditure.

Online tools make it possible not only to inform citizens but also to gather their questions or reactions on European issues and have become an important tool to engage with citizens. The information covers all of the Union's institutions. The tools are to be made accessible to people with disabilities, in accordance with Web Accessibility Initiative guidelines.

The main types of tools concerned are:

— the websites, multimedia and written products of the Commission Representations in the Member States,

— online press releases, databases and other online communication information systems,

— complementary online channels in Commission Representations, such as local social media, blogs and other web 2.0 technologies,

— related data analytics.

This appropriation also covers the expenditure relating to the production for various target groups of (paper or digital) publications concerning the Union's activities that are often distributed through a decentralised network, mainly:

— the publications of the Commission Representations,

— the dissemination (also through a decentralised network) of specific basic information on the Union (in all official Union languages) for the general public, coordinated from headquarters, and promotion of the publications.

This appropriation covers also local outreach cooperation between Commission Representations and European Parliament Liaison Offices in the Member States. The local outreach cooperation of the two institutions must be based on principles jointly agreed by the two institutions.

The appropriation is also intended to support the design, development and updating of communication content for the Europa Experience projects in the Member States.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	79 000 6 0 1 4

SEC3 Item 07 20 04 04 — Communication services for citizens

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 880 000	33 358 000	33 660 000	33 288 000	33 880 000	33 358 000	33 880 000	33 358 000	33 880 000	33 358 000

Remarks

The Commission's products and services are directly addressed to citizens, providing information for and engagement with citizens, and ensure that communication services for citizens across the Union are made available through simple, clear and understandable messages, either via a mix of channels and media (traditional and new) or by directly communicating with citizens and stimulating exchange and engagement face-to-face. Together, this helps citizens to access up-to-date and user-friendly information on Union policies and values. It contributes to citizens' increased awareness and understanding of European affairs, and in turn, stimulates citizens' interest in engaging directly with 'the faces of the Commission', be it locally, nationally or Europe-wide.

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure for corporate communication actions, which includes costs for the production of content, provision of corporate technical services, dissemination of information through integrated communication actions, organisation of and participation in events, studies or evaluations, and professionalisation activities where relevant.

This appropriation is intended to fund general information to citizens and covers:

— the financing of the Europe Direct network throughout the Union (Europe Direct centres, European documentation centres, Team Europe speakers); that network supplements the work of the Commission Representations and the European Parliament liaison offices in the Member States,

— support, training, coordination and assistance for the Europe Direct network,

— the financing of production, storage and distribution of information material and communication products by those outlets as well as for them,

— the operation of the Europe Direct Contact Centre (multilingual service centre),

— the financing of citizens' dialogues and panels and similar face-to-face events or related online platforms in order to promote a new generation of engagement with citizens, both as an exercise in participatory democracy and as a way to improve policy making,

— ad hoc communication actions on a regional, national or international scale that fit in with the communication priorities,

— open door events for citizens,

— seminars and conferences as well as workshops with more specific target groups, such as young people, and applying participatory methods,

— organisation of or participation in European events, exhibitions and public relations activities, organisation of individual visits, etc.,

— direct communication actions targeting the general public (e.g. citizens' advice services),

— direct communication measures targeting opinion multipliers, in particular stepped-up measures involving the regional daily press, which is a major information outlet for a large number of Union citizens,

— expenditure on issuing, in whatever medium, publications on matters of topical importance relating to Commission activities and the work of the Union, as well as the publications provided for in the Treaties and other institutional or reference publications, such as the General Report on the activities of the European Union published in accordance with Article 249(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union; the publications may be targeted at specific groups such as the teaching profession, young people, opinion leaders or the general public,

— the expenditure relating to the production for various target groups of written publications concerning the Union's activities that are often distributed through a decentralised network,

— the dissemination (also through a decentralised network) of specific basic information on the Union (in all official Union languages) for the general public, coordinated from headquarters, and promotion of the publications,

— the IT expenditure for development and maintenance of relevant information and management systems,

— evaluation and professionalisation expenditure.

Communication actions can be organised in partnership with the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions or the Member States in order to

create synergies between these partners and to coordinate their information and communication activities on the Union.

This appropriation could furthermore serve to fund awareness raising and information activities on European Citizens' Initiatives in cooperation with Commission Representations and local Europe Direct Centres in the Member States.

This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of organising visits to the Commission, including administrative expenditure related to the visits. The Commission manages the related logistical arrangements, including operational costs and the organisation of contracted services. This appropriation covers establishing and creating or updating the installations of new information centres.

This appropriation is also intended to support the design, development and updating of communication content for the Europa Experience projects in the Member States.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	240 000 6 6 2

SEC3 Item 07 20 04 06 — Specific competences in the area of social policy, including social dialogue

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
23 996 092	22 000 000	23 846 092	21 950 000	23 996 092	22 000 000	23 996 092	22 000 000	23 996 092	22 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure to promote European social dialogue in Member States and candidate countries, as well as the cost of preliminary consultation meetings with trade union representatives.

Regarding the promotion of European social dialogue, strong and representative social partners are needed in order to improve the process of enhancing the functioning of social dialogue and to enhance competitiveness, resilience and quality jobs in the social market economy. Measures should help employees' and employers' organisations to address the overarching challenges facing European employment and social policy, as laid down in the Political Guidelines 2024-2029, in particular in the Action Plan to implement the European Pillar of Social Rights, and to enhance social dialogue in line with Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions of 25 January 2023 entitled Strengthening social dialogue in the European Union: harnessing its full potential for managing fair transitions (COM(2023) 40 final), Council Recommendation of 12 June 2023 on strengthening social dialogue in the European Union (OJ C, C/2023/1389, 6.12.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/C/2023/1389/oj), the Tripartite Declaration for a thriving European Social Dialogue, signed at the Val Duchesse Social Partners Summit on 31 January 2024, the Pact for European Social Dialogue, signed by the Commission and the European cross-industry social partners on 5 March 2025, and to support the digital and green transitions.

Regarding actions on preliminary consultation meetings between European trade union representatives, the appropriation is intended to cover costs with a view to helping European trade union representatives form their opinions and harmonise their positions regarding the development of Union policies. Costs are intended to cover in particular studies, workshops, conferences, analyses, evaluations, publications, technical assistance, the purchase and maintenance of databases and

software and the part-financing and support of measures relating to economic monitoring, analysis of the combination of measures and coordination of economic policies.

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure related to the promotion of European social dialogue and related measures, in the Member States and the candidate countries, in particular for the following activities:

— studies, consultations, meetings of European cross-industry and sectoral social dialogue committees, meetings of experts, negotiations, publications and other actions directly linked to the achievement of the objectives of the budget heading, and any other expenditure on technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the European Commission under ad hoc service contracts,

— actions undertaken by social partners to promote social dialogue (including capacity building of social partners in Member States and candidate countries) at cross-industry, sector and company levels, including actions undertaken to promote equal participation of women and men in the decision-making bodies of both trade unions and employers' organisations,

— actions to improve knowledge and expertise on industrial relations across the Union and to exchange and disseminate relevant information,

— actions to improve the degree and quality of involvement of employees' and employers' representatives in Union policy- and law-making,

— actions on preliminary consultation meetings between European trade union representatives, notably to cover costs with a view to help them form their opinions and harmonise their positions regarding the development of Union policies.

The appropriation is also intended to cover costs related to the promotion of information, consultation and participation of representatives of enterprises, in the Member States and the candidate countries, in particular for the following activities:

— measures aimed at developing employee involvement in enterprises, meaning any mechanism, including information, consultation and participation, through which employees' representatives may exercise an influence on decisions to be taken within the enterprise, in particular by raising awareness and contributing to the application of Union law and policies in this area and the take-up and development of European Works Councils,

— initiatives to strengthen transnational cooperation between employees' and employers' representatives in respect of information, consultation and participation of employees within enterprises operating in more than one Member State and short training actions for negotiators and representatives in transnational information, consultation and participation bodies which may also involve social partners from candidate countries,

— measures to enable social partners to exercise their rights and duties as regards employee involvement, especially within the framework of European Works Councils, to familiarise them with transnational enterprise agreements and strengthen their cooperation in respect of Union law on employee involvement,

— projects and innovative actions supporting employee involvement, with a view to identifying, anticipating and addressing challenges driven by industry transitions and their social and economic consequences or changes in the world of work, e.g., restructuring and redundancies, outsourcing and subcontracting, digitalisation, automation and artificial intelligence, and new forms of work, or the need for a shift towards an inclusive, sustainable and low-carbon economy.

Legal basis

Tasks resulting from specific powers directly conferred on the Commission by the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union pursuant to Articles 154 and 155 thereof.

SEC3 Item 07 20 04 09 — Information and training measures for workers' organisations

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
23 286 348	23 500 000	23 286 348	23 500 000	25 286 348	24 500 000	23 286 348	23 500 000	25 286 348	24 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure on information and training measures for workers' organisations, including representatives of workers' organisations in the candidate countries, deriving from Union action in the framework of the implementation of the Union social dimension. Those measures should help workers' organisations to address the overarching challenges facing European employment and social policy as laid down in the Political Guidelines 2024-2029, in the Action Plan to implement the European Pillar of Social Rights, and to enhance social dialogue in line with the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions of 25 January 2023 entitled Strengthening social dialogue in the European Union: harnessing its full potential for managing fair transitions (COM(2023) 40 final), the Council Recommendation of 12 June 2023 on strengthening social dialogue in the European Union (OJ C, C/2023/1389, 6.12.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/C/2023/1389/oj), the Tripartite Declaration for a thriving European Social Dialogue, signed at the Val Duchesse Social Partners Summit on 31 January 2024, and the Pact for European Social Dialogue, signed by the Commission and the European cross-industry social partners on 5 March 2025, and to support the digital and green transitions.

This appropriation is intended to cover in particular the following activities:

— support for the work programmes of the two specific trade union institutes, the European Trade Union Institute and the European Centre for Workers' Questions, which have been established to facilitate capacity building of workers' organisations through training and research at European level, as well as to improve the degree of involvement of workers' representatives in European policy and lawmaking,

— information and training measures for workers' organisations, including representatives of workers' organisations in the candidate countries, deriving from the implementation of Union action in the framework of the implementation of the Union social dimension,

— measures involving representatives of the social partners in the candidate countries with the specific purpose of promoting social dialogue at Union level.

This appropriation is also intended to promote equal participation of women and men in the decision-making bodies of workers' organisations.

Strong and competent social partners are needed to improve the process of enhancing the functioning of social dialogue in order to enhance competitiveness and quality jobs in the social market economy.

Legal basis

Task resulting from specific powers directly conferred on the Commission by the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union pursuant to Article 154 thereof.

Convention concluded in 1959 between the ECSC High Authority and the International Occupational Safety and Health Information Centre (CIS) of the International Labour Office.

Council Directive 89/391/EEC of 12 June 1989 on the introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work (OJ L 183, 29.6.1989, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/1989/391/oj), and the associated individual directives.

Council Directive 92/29/EEC of 31 March 1992 on the minimum safety and health requirements for improved medical treatment on board vessels (OJ L 113, 30.4.1992, p. 19, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/1992/29/oj).

SEC3 Item 08 01 03 01 — Support expenditure for the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
4 341 406	3 741 406	4 341 406	4 341 406	4 341 406

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described at the level of this chapter, this appropriation is also intended to cover:

— expenditure incurred on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff), including support expenditure (expenses for representation, training, meetings, missions relating to the external personnel financed from this appropriation) required for the implementation of the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF) in 2021-2027 and the completion of measures under its predecessor fund, the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) in 2014-2020, relating to technical assistance,

— expenditure on external personnel (contract staff, local staff or seconded national experts) in Union delegations in third countries, as well as additional logistical and infrastructure costs, such as the cost of training, meetings, missions and renting of accommodation directly resulting from the presence in delegations of external personnel remunerated from the appropriations entered in this item,

— expenditure on missions by third-country delegations attending meetings to negotiate fisheries agreements and joint committees,

— expenditure on IT, covering both equipment and services, including corporate IT,

— expenditure on studies, evaluation measures and audits, meetings of experts and the participation of stakeholders in ad hoc meetings, seminars and conferences pertaining to major topics, communication activities and publications in the field of maritime affairs and fisheries,

— any other expenditure on non-operational technical and administrative assistance in accordance with Article 35 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 for 2021-2027,

— participation of scientific experts in meetings of regional fisheries management organisations.

Legal basis

See Chapters 08 04 and 08 05.

SEC3 Article 08 02 01 — Agricultural reserve

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
450 000 000	450 000 000	450 000 000	437 064 492	436 581 350

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the establishment of the agricultural reserve and finance expenditure for public intervention, private storage measures and exceptional measures, in accordance with Article 16 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2116.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	714 042 364 6 2 0 0

SEC3 Item 08 02 02 01 — Fruit and vegetables sector

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
1 126 000 000	1 126 000 000	1 138 000 000	1 175 000 000	1 175 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure as from 1 January 2023 for interventions in the fruit and vegetables sector in accordance with Articles 49 to 53 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 02 05 — Olive oil and table olives sector

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
44 000 000	44 000 000	54 000 000	44 000 000	44 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure as from 1 January 2023 for interventions in the olive oil and table olives sector in accordance with Articles 63, 64 and 65 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 02 06 — Other sectors

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
48 000 000	48 000 000	48 000 000	44 000 000	44 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure as from 1 January 2024 for interventions in other sectors in accordance with Articles 66, 67 and 68 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. It concerns agricultural products in the sectors set out in Article 1(2), points (a) to (h), (k), (m), (o) to (t) and (w), of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013, and sectors covering products listed in Annex VI to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 03 01 — POSEI and smaller Aegean islands (excluding direct payments)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
231 000 000	231 000 000	233 000 000	231 000 000	231 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure for certain measures for the outermost regions of the Union as well as the smaller Aegean islands.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 March 2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 247/2006 (OJ L 78, 20.3.2013, p. 23, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/228/oj).

Regulation (EU) No 229/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 March 2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in favour of the smaller Aegean islands and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1405/2006 (OJ L 78, 20.3.2013, p. 41, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/229/oj).

SEC3 Item 08 02 03 02 — Promotion of agricultural products — Simple programmes under shared management

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
86 000 000	86 000 000	100 000 000	86 000 000	89 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to co-finance promotion programmes implemented by the Member States in respect of agricultural products, their method of production and food products.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 1144/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2014 on information provision and promotion measures concerning agricultural products implemented in the internal market and in third countries and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 3/2008 (OJ L 317, 4.11.2014, p. 56, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/1144/oj).

SEC3 Item 08 02 03 03 — Promotion of agricultural products — Multi-programmes and actions implemented by the Commission under direct management

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
20 000 000	88 595 695	20 000 000	88 595 695	30 000 000	93 595 695	70 000 000	88 595 695	72 000 000	90 595 695

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance promotion actions directly managed by the Commission as well as the technical assistance, such as preparatory work, monitoring, evaluation, supervision and management measures, required for the implementation of the promotion programmes.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 1144/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2014 on information provision and promotion measures concerning agricultural products implemented in the internal market and in third countries and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 3/2008 (OJ L 317, 4.11.2014, p. 56, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/1144/oj).

SEC3 Item 08 02 03 04 — School schemes

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
202 000 000	202 000 000	219 000 000	202 000 000	202 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure relating to the aid scheme for the supply of fruit and vegetables and milk in educational establishments in accordance with Articles 22 to 25 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 and with Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 1370/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 04 01 — Basic income support for sustainability

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
18 160 000 000	18 160 000 000	18 160 000 000	17 957 000 000	17 897 957 501

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the basic income support for sustainability provided for in Title III, Chapter II of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	676 000 000 6 2 0 0

SEC3 Item 08 02 04 02 — Complementary redistributive income support for sustainability

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
3 970 000 000	3 970 000 000	3 970 000 000	3 910 000 000	3 910 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the complementary redistributive income support for sustainability provided for in Title III, Chapter II of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 04 03 — Complementary income support for young farmers

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
721 000 000	721 000 000	741 000 000	721 000 000	723 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the complementary income support for young farmers provided for in Title III, Chapter II of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 04 04 — Schemes for the climate, the environment and animal welfare

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
9 125 000 000	9 125 000 000	9 125 000 000	9 250 000 000	9 250 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the schemes for the climate, the environment and animal welfare provided for in Title III, Chapter II of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 04 05 — Coupled income support

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
4 508 000 000	4 508 000 000	4 508 000 000	4 499 000 000	4 499 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the coupled income support provided for in Title III, Chapter II of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 04 06 — Crop-specific payment for cotton

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
222 000 000	222 000 000	222 000 000	197 000 000	197 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the crop-specific payment for cotton provided for in Title III, Chapter II of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 02 — Single area payment scheme (SAPS)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
304 000	304 000	304 000	900 000	900 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the single area payment scheme in accordance with Title III, Chapter 1, Section 4 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 03 — Redistributive payment

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
22 000	22 000	22 000	100 000	100 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the redistributive payment provided for in Title III, Chapter 2 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 04 — Basic payment scheme (BPS)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
1 452 000	1 452 000	1 452 000	4 400 000	4 400 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the basic payment scheme in accordance with Title III, Chapter 1, Sections 1 to 3 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 05 — Payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
989 000	989 000	989 000	3 000 000	3 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment in accordance with Title III, Chapter 3 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 07 — Payment for young farmers

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
65 000	65 000	65 000	200 000	200 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the payment for young farmers in accordance with Title III, Chapter 5 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 08 — Crop-specific payment for cotton

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
22 000	22 000	22 000	100 000	100 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure for the crop-specific payment for cotton provided for in Title IV, Chapter 2 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 09 — Voluntary coupled support scheme

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
392 000	392 000	392 000	1 200 000	1 200 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure for the voluntary coupled support provided for in Title IV, Chapter 1 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 05 10 — Small farmers scheme

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
33 000	33 000	33 000	100 000	100 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure under the small farmers scheme in accordance with Title V of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

SEC3 Item 08 02 06 01 — Financial corrections in favour of Member States following clearance of accounts and conformity clearance decisions

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
4 650 000	4 650 000	4 650 000	6 800 000	6 800 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the results of clearance of accounts and conformity clearance decisions in accordance with Articles 51 and 52 of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 in the event those decisions are in favour of the Member States.

This appropriation is intended to cover the results of annual financial clearance and annual conformity clearance decisions in accordance with Articles 53 and 55 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2116 in the event those decisions are in favour of the Member States.

SEC3 Item 08 02 06 03 — European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) — Operational technical assistance

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
104 134 856	112 181 441	104 134 856	112 181 441	104 134 856	112 181 441	104 134 856	116 181 441	104 134 856	116 181 441

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover subsidies, contractual expenditure and expenditure for services connected to measures required for the analysis, management, monitoring of agricultural resources, information exchange and implementation of the common agricultural policy in accordance with Article 5(3) and Articles 7, 24, 25 and 46 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2116. This concerns notably:

— the implementation of the common monitoring and evaluation framework,

— carrying out remote-sensing checks and implementation of operations to apply remote sensing, such as area sampling and performing the Land Parcel Identification System (LPIS) quality assessment, and the related technical services support,

— agricultural sector modelling, including agrometeorological models, and short- and medium-term forecasts of market and agricultural structure trends, and the dissemination of results,

— the financing of information measures by the Union, including corporate communication and measures aiming to help explain, implement and develop the common agricultural policy and to raise public awareness of its content and objectives,

— corporate information technology systems,

— studies on the common agricultural policy and evaluation measures,

— expenditure for establishing an analytical databank for wine products provided for in Article 89(5), point (a), of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013,

— the financing of the standard fees and the development of facilities, including a one-off financial support to Member States to upgrade to the Farm Sustainability Data Network, for the collection, processing, analysis, publication and dissemination of farm accountancy and sustainability data and analysis of results,

— contributions to financing statistical surveys needed to monitor structures in the Union, including the Eurofarm database,

— expenditure on the improvement of systems of agricultural statistics in the Union,

— subsidies, contractual expenditure and expenditure involving payments for services connected with the purchasing and the consulting of databases.

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EC) No 1217/2009 of 30 November 2009 setting up the Farm Sustainability Data Network (OJ L 328, 15.12.2009, p. 27, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2009/1217/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on integrated farm statistics and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1166/2008 and (EU) No 1337/2011 (OJ L 200, 7.8.2018, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1091/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/2674 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 November 2023 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1217/2009 as regards conversion of the Farm Accountancy Data Network into a Farm Sustainability Data Network (OJ L, 2023/2674, 29.11.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2674/oj).

SEC3 Article 08 05 01 — Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third-country waters

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	37 861 857	43 536 857	37 861 857	43 536 857	37 861 857	43 536 857	44 311 857	49 986 857	44 311 857	49 986 857
Reserve (30 02 02)	*126 350 000*	*125 250 000*	*126 350 000*	*125 250 000*	*126 350 000*	*125 250 000*	*119 900 000*	*118 800 000*	*119 900 000*	*118 800 000*
Total	164 211 857	168 786 857	164 211 857	168 786 857	164 211 857	168 786 857	164 211 857	168 786 857	164 211 857	168 786 857

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure arising from the fisheries agreements which the Union has negotiated or intends to renew or renegotiate with third countries.

In addition, the Union may negotiate new fisheries partnership agreements which would need to be financed under this article.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 22, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/1380/oj), and in particular Article 31 thereof.

Regulations and Decisions concerning the conclusion of agreements and protocols adopted with regard to fisheries between the Union and the governments of the following countries:

Status (as of December 2026)	Country	Legal basis	Date	Official Journal	Duration
Agreements and Protocols in provisional application or in force (and financial compensation due in 2027 entered in Article 08 05 01)	Cabo Verde	Decision (EU) 2024/2152	15 July 2024	L, 2024/2152, 21.8.2024	23.7.2024 to 22.7.2029
	Cook Islands	Decision (EU) 2025/2625	12 November 2025	L, 2025/2625, 23.12.2025	9.12.2025 to 08.12.2032
	Côte d'Ivoire	Decision (EU) 2025/1194	25 April 2025	L, 2025/1194, 2.7.2025	6.6.2025 to 5.6.2029
	Greenland	Decision (EU) 2024/3202	5 December 2024	L, 2024/3202, 30.12.2024	12.12.2024 to 11.12.2030
	Guinea-Bissau	Decision (EU) 2024/2588	10 September 2024	L, 2024/2588, 3.10.2024	18.9.2024 to 17.9.2029
	Kiribati	Decision (EU) 2023/2187	6 September 2023	L, 2023/2187, 18.10.2023	2.10.2023 to 1.10.2028
	Madagascar	Decision (EU) 2023/1476	26 June 2023	L 182, 19.7.2023	1.7.2023 to 30.6.2027
	São Tomé and Príncipe	Decision EU) 2025/2139	30 September 2025	L, 2025/2139, 22.10.2025	6.10.2025 to 5.10.2029
Agreements and Protocols to be renegotiated, already under negotiation or with legislative procedure under	Gabon	Decision (EU) 2021/1116	28 June 2021	L 242, 8.7.2021	Expired on 28.6.2026
	Gambia	Decision (EU) 2020/392	5 March 2020	L 75, 11.3.2020	Expired
	Guinea (Guinée)	Decision 2009/473/CE	22 December 2009	L 348, 29.12.2009	Expired

Status (as of December 2026)	Country	Legal basis	Date	Official Journal	Duration
way (financial compensation entered in Article 30 02 02)	Liberia	Decision (EU) 2016/1062	24 May 2016	L 177, 1.7.2016	Expired
	Mauritania	Decision (EU) 2021/2123	11 November 2021	L 439, 8.12.2021	Expired on 15.11.2026
	Mauritius	Decision (EU) 2022/2585	8 November 2022	L 338, 30.12.2022	Expired on 20.12.2026
	Morocco	Decision (EU) 2019/441	4 March 2019	L 77, 20.3.2019	Expired
	Senegal	Decision (EU) 2019/1925	14 November 2019	L 299, 20.11.2019	Expired
	Seychelles	Decision (EU) 2020/272	20 February 2020	L 60, 28.2.2020	Expired on 23.2.2026

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 08 10 01 — European Fisheries Control Agency

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
32 282 647	32 282 647	31 962 647	31 962 647	32 282 647	32 282 647	32 447 354	32 447 354	32 447 354	32 447 354

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure on staff, administration and operation of the European Fisheries Control Agency. The Agency’s mission is to promote the highest common standards for control, inspection and surveillance under the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). Its primary role is to organise coordination and cooperation between national control and inspection activities so that the rules of the CFP are respected and applied effectively. The Agency also plays a role in the European cooperation on coast guard functions.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	32 498 744
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	51 390
Amount entered in the budget	32 447 354

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 of 29 September 2008 establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, amending Regulations (EEC)

No 2847/93, (EC) No 1936/2001 and (EC) No 601/2004 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1093/94 and (EC) No 1447/1999 (OJ L 286, 29.10.2008, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2008/1005/oj).

Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Union control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy, amending Regulations (EC) No 847/96, (EC) No 2371/2002, (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 2115/2005, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007, (EC) No 676/2007, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 1300/2008, (EC) No 1342/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94 and (EC) No 1966/2006 (OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2009/1224/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/473 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 March 2019 on the European Fisheries Control Agency (OJ L 83, 25.3.2019, p. 18, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/473/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/2842 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 November 2023 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009, and amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1967/2006 and (EC) No 1005/2008 and Regulations (EU) 2016/1139, (EU) 2017/2403 and (EU) 2019/473 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards fisheries control (OJ L, 2023/2842, 20.12.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2842/oj).

Reference acts

Commission Decision 2009/988/EU of 18 December 2009 designating the Community Fisheries Control Agency as the body to carry out certain tasks under Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 (OJ L 338, 19.12.2009, p. 104, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2009/988/oj).

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2019/715/oj).

SEC3 Article 08 20 01 — Pilot projects

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	6 518 501	p.m.	6 518 501	750 000	6 893 501	p.m.	6 518 501	750 000	6 706 001

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance the implementation of pilot projects of an experimental nature designed to test the feasibility of actions and their usefulness.

The list of pilot projects is set out in Annex ‘Pilot projects and preparatory actions’ to this section, under Chapter PP 08.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Article 58(2), point (a), thereof.

SEC3 Item 09 01 01 01 — Support expenditure for the Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
11 319 079	10 739 079	11 319 079	11 319 079	11 319 079

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described at the level of this chapter, this appropriation is intended to cover:

— the development, hosting, maintenance, security, quality assurance, operation and support (hardware, software and services) of information technology (IT) systems supporting the clean energy, climate and environment policy objectives,

— the engagement of IT experts *intra muros* to support the development, maintenance, quality assurance, testing and security of critical policy-supporting IT systems,

— the procurement of IT corporate systems and common administrative solutions and policy-supporting solutions,

— the procurement of technical and administrative assistance relating to communication activities, including the engagement of experts *intra muros*,

— the costs of external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff), and any further costs related to the external personnel working on the management of the quota allocation, IT services, and licensing systems for the purpose of implementation of Regulation (EU) 2024/573 and for ensuring compliance with the Protocol.

It is also intended to provide support to the organisation of international events and high-level meetings, to activities to which the Union is party and to preparatory work for future international agreements on matters involving the Union.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	20 374 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	1 300 000 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

See Chapter 09 02.

SEC3 Article 09 02 01 — Nature and biodiversity

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
348 879 328	218 000 000	348 879 328	218 000 000	399 879 328	243 500 000	348 542 606	217 663 278	355 542 606	219 413 278

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure related to the implementation of the specific sub-programme for nature and biodiversity of the LIFE programme.

It will provide support for the implementation of the EU Biodiversity Strategy and of Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ L 20, 26.1.2010, p. 7, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2009/147/oj) and Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/1992/43/oj). Actions will cover both the terrestrial and the marine environment.

It includes:

— the financing of innovative techniques, methods and approaches for reaching the objectives of the Union legislation and policy on nature and biodiversity, and for contributing to the knowledge

base and to the application of best practice, including through the support of the Natura 2000 network,

— the development, implementation, monitoring, reporting and enforcement of the relevant Union legislation and policy on nature and biodiversity objectives and tracking the Union's biodiversity-related expenditure, as well as related support. It also includes improving governance at all levels through enhancing capacities of public and private actors and the involvement of civil society in nature and biodiversity-related policy development,

— the support of actions intended to catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful solutions/approaches for implementing the relevant Union legislation and policy on nature and biodiversity, by replicating results, integrating related objectives into other policies and into public and private sector practices, mobilising investment and improving access to finance.

Costs of technical assistance for selecting, monitoring, evaluating and auditing projects and of support for communication, IT actions, organising workshops, conferences and meetings, as well as other governance activities (including support to non-governmental organisations via operating grants), may also be financed by this appropriation.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	627 983 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Article 09 02 02 — Circular economy and quality of life

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
198 723 137	168 000 000	189 123 137	164 800 000	203 223 137	170 250 000	198 723 137	168 000 000	198 723 137	168 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure related to the implementation of the specific sub-programme for circular economy and quality of life of the LIFE programme.

This sub-programme aims to facilitate the transition towards a sustainable, circular, energy-efficient and climate-resilient economy and to protect, restore and improve the quality of the environment.

It supports projects focusing on delivering the European Green Deal. These will be actions related to the shift towards a resource-efficient economy, the management of natural resources, such as air, water and land, towards achieving the zero-pollution ambition, strengthening the implementation of environmental legislation, as well as the promotion of good environmental governance.

It includes:

— the financing of innovative techniques, methods and approaches for reaching the objectives of the Union legislation and policy on the environment and to contribute to the knowledge base and to the application of best practice,

— the development, implementation, monitoring and enforcement of the relevant Union legislation and policy on the environment, including by improving governance at all levels, in particular through enhancing capacities of public and private actors and the involvement of civil society,

— the support of actions intended to catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful technical and policy-related solutions for implementing the relevant Union legislation and policy on the environment, by replicating results, integrating related environmental objectives into other

policies and into public and private sector practices, mobilising sustainable investments, and improving access to finance.

Costs of technical assistance for selecting, monitoring, evaluating and auditing projects and of support for communication, IT actions, organising workshops, conferences and meetings, as well as other governance activities (including non-governmental organisations supported via operating grants) may also be financed by this appropriation.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	357 702 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Article 09 02 03 — Climate change mitigation and adaptation

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
128 137 608	110 000 000	128 137 608	110 000 000	132 637 608	112 250 000	128 137 608	110 000 000	128 137 608	110 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the specific sub-programme for climate change mitigation and adaptation of the LIFE programme.

It supports activities focusing on delivering the European Green Deal, especially in the fields of climate change mitigation (reducing greenhouse gas emissions), climate change adaptation (strengthening efforts on climate-proofing, resilience building, prevention and preparedness), as well as the promotion of good climate governance.

It includes:

— the development, implementation, monitoring and enforcement of the relevant Union legislation and policy on climate action, including by improving governance at all levels, in particular through enhancing capacities of public and private actors and the involvement of civil society,

— the financing of innovative techniques, methods and approaches for reaching the objectives of the Union legislation and policy on climate action, contributing to the knowledge base and to the application of best practices,

— the support of any actions intended to catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful technical and policy-related solutions for implementing the relevant Union legislation and policy on climate action, by replicating results, integrating related objectives into other policies and into public and private sector practices, mobilising sustainable investments, and improving access to finance.

Costs of technical assistance for selecting, monitoring, evaluating and auditing projects and of support for communication, IT actions, organising workshops, conferences and meetings and other governance activities (including non-governmental organisations supported via operating grants) may also be financed by this appropriation.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	230 648 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	2 450 000 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 09 02 04 — Clean energy transition

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
139 530 119	165 000 000	139 530 119	165 000 000	164 530 119	177 500 000	139 530 119	165 000 000	142 530 119	165 750 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the specific sub-programme for clean energy transition of the LIFE programme.

It supports the financing of activities with the following specific objectives:

— to develop, demonstrate and promote innovative techniques and approaches for reaching the objectives of the Union legislation and policy on the clean, sustainable and just energy transition, upscaling renewable energy solutions and increasing energy efficiency, and to contribute to the knowledge base and to the application of best practice,

— to support the development, implementation, monitoring and enforcement of the relevant Union legislation and policy on the clean, sustainable and just energy transition, upscaling renewable energy solutions and increasing energy efficiency, including by improving governance through enhancing capacities of public and private actors and the involvement of civil society,

— to catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful technical and policy-related solutions for implementing the relevant Union legislation and policy on the clean, sustainable and just energy transition, upscaling renewable energy solutions and increasing energy efficiency by replicating results, integrating related objectives into other policies and into public and private sector practices, mobilising investment and improving access to finance.

Costs of technical assistance for selecting, monitoring, evaluating and auditing projects and of support for communication, IT actions, organising workshops, conferences and meetings and other governance activities (including non-governmental organisations supported via operating grants) may also be financed by this appropriation.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	251 154 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Article 09 10 01 — European Chemicals Agency – Environmental directives and international conventions

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
22 221 879	22 221 879	22 221 879	22 221 879	22 221 879	22 221 879	22 558 601	22 558 601	22 558 601	22 558 601

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover staff, administrative and operational expenditure for the activities of the European Chemicals Agency related to the implementation of legislation on the export and import of hazardous chemicals, persistent organic pollutants, water, waste, industrial emissions and batteries and waste batteries.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	22 713 495

of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	154 894
Amount entered in the budget	22 558 601

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	593 324 6 6 2

Legal basis

Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 on waste and repealing certain Directives (OJ L 312, 22.11.2008, p. 3, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2008/98/oj).

Regulation (EU) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of hazardous chemicals (OJ L 201, 27.7.2012, p. 60, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/649/oj).

Directive (EU) 2018/851 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 amending Directive 2008/98/EC on waste (OJ L 150, 14.6.2018, p. 109, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2018/851/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/1021 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on persistent organic pollutants (OJ L 169, 25.6.2019, p. 45, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1021/oj).

Directive (EU) 2020/2184 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2020 on the quality of water intended for human consumption (OJ L 435, 23.12.2020, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2020/2184/oj).

Decision (EU) 2022/591 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 April 2022 on a General Union Environment Action Programme to 2030 (OJ L 114, 12.4.2022, p. 22, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2022/591/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 July 2023 concerning batteries and waste batteries, amending Directive 2008/98/EC and Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 and repealing Directive 2006/66/EC (OJ L 191, 28.7.2023, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1542/oj).

Directive (EU) 2024/1785 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 April 2024 amending Directive 2010/75/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on industrial emissions (integrated pollution prevention and control) and Council Directive 1999/31/EC on the landfill of waste (OJ L, 2024/1785, 15.7.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2024/1785/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/40 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 December 2024 on packaging and packaging waste, amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 and Directive (EU) 2019/904, and repealing Directive 94/62/EC (OJ L, 2025/40, 22.1.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/40/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/2457 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 November 2025 amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 401/2009, (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2019/1021 as regards the reattribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals (OJ L, 2025/2457, 12.12.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2457/oj).

Directive (EU) 2026/805 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 March 2026 amending Directive 2000/60/EC establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy, Directive 2006/118/EC on the protection of groundwater against pollution and deterioration and Directive 2008/105/EC on environmental quality standards in the field of water policy (OJ L, 2026/805, 20.4.2026, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2026/805/oj).

SEC3 Article 09 10 02 — European Environment Agency

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	70 315 577	70 315 577	70 315 577	70 315 577	70 315 577	70 315 577	70 904 146	70 904 146	70 904 146	70 904 146
Reserve (30 02 02)	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*	*439 515*
Total	70 755 092	70 755 092	70 755 092	70 755 092	70 755 092	70 755 092	71 343 661	71 343 661	71 343 661	71 343 661

Remarks

The mission of the European Environment Agency is to provide the Union and the Member States with objective, reliable and comparable information on the environment at Union level, thus enabling them to take the requisite measures to protect the environment, to assess the results of such measures and to inform the public.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	71 652 707
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	309 046
Amount entered in the budget	71 343 661

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	1 889 161 6 6 2
Candidate countries and Western Balkan potential candidates	3 127 000 6 0 1 0
Other assigned revenue	2 620 559 6 0 1 4

Legal basis

Regulation (EC) No 401/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network (OJ L 126, 21.5.2009, p. 13, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2009/401/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/841 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry in the 2030 climate and energy framework, and amending Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 and Decision No 529/2013/EU (OJ L 156, 19.6.2018, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/841/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/1119 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 June 2021 establishing the framework for achieving climate neutrality and amending Regulations (EC) No

401/2009 and (EU) 2018/1999 (European Climate Law) (OJ L 243, 9.7.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/1119/oj).

Decision (EU) 2022/591 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 April 2022 on a General Union Environment Action Programme to 2030 (OJ L 114, 12.4.2022, p. 22, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2022/591/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/839 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 April 2023 amending Regulation (EU) 2018/841 as regards the scope, simplifying the reporting and compliance rules, and setting out the targets of the Member States for 2030, and Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 as regards improvement in monitoring, reporting, tracking of progress and review (OJ L 107, 21.4.2023, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/839/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1244 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 April 2024 on reporting of environmental data from industrial installations, establishing an Industrial Emissions Portal and repealing Regulation (EC) No 166/2006 (OJ L, 2024/1244, 2.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1244/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1610 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 as regards strengthening the CO_2 emission performance standards for new heavy-duty vehicles and integrating reporting obligations, amending Regulation (EU) 2018/858 and repealing Regulation (EU) 2018/956 (OJ L, 2024/1610, 6.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1610/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1991 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2024 on nature restoration and amending Regulation (EU) 2022/869 (OJ L, 2024/1991, 29.7.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1991/oj).

Directive (EU) 2025/2360 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 November 2025 on soil monitoring and resilience (Soil Monitoring Law) (OJ L, 2025/2360, 26.11.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2025/2360/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/2457 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 November 2025 amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 401/2009, (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2019/1021 as regards the reattribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals (OJ L, 2025/2457, 12.12.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2457/oj).

Directive (EU) 2026/805 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 March 2026 amending Directive 2000/60/EC establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy, Directive 2006/118/EC on the protection of groundwater against pollution and deterioration and Directive 2008/105/EC on environmental quality standards in the field of water policy (OJ L, 2026/805, 20.4.2026, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2026/805/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 22 March 2023, on substantiation and communication of explicit environmental claims (COM(2023) 166 final).

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Item 09 20 04 01 — Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	30 150 000	32 489 000	28 700 000	31 989 000	30 150 000	32 489 000	30 150 000	32 489 000	30 150 000	32 489 000
Reserve (30 02 02)	*5 000 000*		*5 000 000*		*5 000 000*		*5 000 000*		*5 000 000*	
Total	35 150 000	32 489 000	33 700 000	31 989 000	35 150 000	32 489 000	35 150 000	32 489 000	35 150 000	32 489 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of the implementation of the carbon border adjustment mechanism ('CBAM').

The CBAM is intended to address greenhouse gas emissions embedded in the goods covered by Regulation (EU) 2023/956 of the European Parliament and of the Council, upon their importation into the customs territory of the Union, in order to prevent the risk of carbon leakage. The CBAM will complement the system established for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the Union by Directive 2003/87/EC by applying an equivalent set of rules to imports into the customs territory of the Union of goods covered by Regulation (EU) 2023/956.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2023/956 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 May 2023 establishing a carbon border adjustment mechanism (OJ L 130, 16.5.2023, p. 52, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/956/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/2083 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 October 2025 amending Regulation (EU) 2023/956 as regards simplifying and strengthening the carbon border adjustment mechanism (OJ L, 2025/2083, 17.10.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2083/oj).

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 10 01 01 — Support expenditure for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)

	Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
Line	2 962 200	2 362 200	2 962 200	2 962 200	2 962 200
Reserve (30 01 01)	*1 837 800*	*1 837 800*	*1 837 800*	*1 837 800*	*1 837 800*
Total	4 800 000	4 200 000	4 800 000	4 800 000	4 800 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the technical assistance measures financed by the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) under Article 35 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060.

This appropriation may, in particular, be used to cover:

— expenditure of an administrative nature (such as studies, meetings of experts, missions, and information and publications) directly linked to the achievement of the objectives of the AMIF or other measures falling under this article and any other expenditure on technical and administrative

assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts,

— expenditure on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff), including missions relating to the external personnel financed under this article,

— expenditure on external personnel in Union delegations (contract staff, local staff or seconded national experts) for the purposes of implementation and monitoring of the returns proposal in third countries, this covers remuneration of the staff concerned and the additional cost of training, meetings, missions, information technology, telecommunications and other costs directly relating to the presence in delegations of external personnel financed under this article, including logistical and infrastructure costs, such as the renting of accommodation.

Legal basis

See Chapter 10 02.

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 10 02 01 — Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 102 638 000	1 048 209 718	2 102 638 000	1 048 209 718	2 122 638 000	1 058 209 718	2 102 638 000	1 048 209 718	2 107 638 000	1 049 459 718

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions contributing to the efficient management of migration flows in accordance with the relevant Union *acquis* and in compliance with the Union's commitments on fundamental rights.

In particular, the AMIF is intended to contribute to strengthening and developing all aspects of the Common European Asylum System, including its external dimension; to strengthening and developing legal migration to the Member States including to the integration of third-country nationals; and to countering irregular migration and ensuring effective, safe and dignified return to and readmission in third countries. In this context, this appropriation can cover mission expenditure for experts of the Commission participating in the monitoring of the asylum and reception systems of the Member States, in accordance with the Article 47(5) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2303.

The AMIF promotes common measures in the area of asylum, including Member States' efforts in receiving persons in need of international protection through resettlement and transfers between Member States of applicants for or beneficiaries of international protection, supports integration strategies, and develops and strengthens a more effective legal migration policy, so as to ensure the Union's long-term competitiveness and the future of its social model and reduce incentives for irregular migration through a sustainable return and readmission policy. The AMIF supports the strengthening of cooperation with third countries to reinforce the management of flows of persons applying for asylum or other forms of international protection and avenues of legal migration and to counter irregular migration and ensure sustainability of return to and effective readmission in third countries.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	225 199 268 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 10 10 01 — European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
258 089 818	258 089 818	255 789 818	255 789 818	258 089 818	258 089 818	258 089 818	258 089 818	258 089 818	258 089 818

Remarks

The European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA), which replaced and succeeded the European Asylum Support Office (EASO) as of 19 January 2022, is a centre of expertise on asylum and contributes to the development of the Common European Asylum System by facilitating, coordinating and strengthening practical cooperation among Member States on many aspects of asylum. EUAA also helps Member States fulfil their European and international obligations to give protection to people in need, and it provides operational support to Member States with specific needs and to Member States whose asylum and reception systems are under particular pressure. Furthermore, EUAA provides evidence-based input to Union policymaking and legislation in all areas having a direct or indirect impact on asylum.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	266 797 966
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus *(revenue Article 6 6 2)*	8 708 148
Amount entered in the budget	258 089 818

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2021/2303 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2021 on the European Union Agency for Asylum and repealing Regulation (EU) No 439/2010 (OJ L 468, 30.12.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/2303/oj).

SEC3 Article 11 02 01 — Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 771 638 853	741 258 540	1 771 638 853	741 258 540	1 811 638 853	761 258 540	1 771 638 853	741 258 540	1 796 638 853	747 508 540

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to ensure strong and effective European integrated border management at the external borders while safeguarding the free movement of persons within them, in full compliance with the Union’s commitments on fundamental rights, thereby contributing to guaranteeing a high level of security within the Union.

More specifically, the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy (BMVI) is to contribute to supporting effective European integrated border management at the

external borders, implemented by the European Border and Coast Guard as a shared responsibility of the European Border and Coast Guard Agency and the national authorities responsible for border management, to facilitate legitimate border crossings, to prevent and detect illegal immigration and cross-border crime and to effectively manage migratory flows, as well as to supporting the common visa policy in order to facilitate legitimate travel and prevent migratory and security risks.

The BMVI promotes the implementation of European integrated border management defined by its components in accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1896: border control, search and rescue during border surveillance, risk analysis and cooperation between Member States (supported and coordinated by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency). The BMVI also promotes inter-agency cooperation, cooperation with third countries, technical and operational measures within the Schengen area related to border control and designed to address illegal immigration and to counter cross-border crime better, use of state of-the-art technology, and quality control and solidarity mechanisms. Furthermore, the BMVI contributes to the improvement of the efficiency of visa processing in terms of detecting and assessing security and irregular migration risks as well as facilitating visa procedures for *bona fide* travellers. The BMVI supports digitalisation of visa processing with the objective of providing fast, secure and client-friendly visa procedures for the benefit of both visa applicants and consulates.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	281 572 027 6 3 2 0

SEC3 Article 11 03 01 — Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
143 945 000	205 377 179	143 945 000	205 377 179	143 945 000	205 377 179	143 945 000	205 377 179	131 445 000	202 252 179

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to support the purchase, maintenance and upgrade of customs controls equipment that has one or more of the following customs control purposes:

— non-intrusive inspection;

— indication of hidden objects on humans;

— radiation detection and nuclide identification;

— analysis of samples in laboratories;

— sampling and field analysis of samples;

— handheld search.

In addition, the Instrument for financial support for customs control equipment (the ‘Instrument’) may also cover the purchase, maintenance and upgrade of customs controls equipment for testing new pieces of equipment or new functionalities in operational conditions. The Instrument may also cover expenses for preparation, monitoring, control, audit, evaluation and other activities for managing the Instrument and evaluating the achievement of its objectives.

The Instrument may, moreover, cover expenses related to studies, meetings of experts, information and communication actions that are related to the objectives of the Instrument, as well as expenses linked to information technology networks focusing on information processing and exchange,

including corporate information technology tools and other technical and administrative assistance needed in connection with the management of the Instrument.

SEC3 Article 11 10 01 — European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 140 163 670	1 140 163 670	1 130 163 670	1 135 163 670	1 140 163 670	1 140 163 670	1 144 190 770	1 144 190 770	1 144 190 770	1 144 190 770

Remarks

The European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) promotes, coordinates and develops European border management in respect of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and in line with the concept of integrated border management. Frontex's main tasks are to coordinate cooperation between Member States in management of the external border, assist Member States in training of national border guards, carry out risk analyses and follow research relevant for the control and surveillance of external borders. Furthermore, Frontex helps Member States that require technical and operational assistance at external borders and provides Member States with the necessary support in organising joint return operations.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	1 175 709 260
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus	31 518 490
Amount entered in the budget	1 144 190 770

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EC) No 1683/95 of 29 May 1995 laying down a uniform format for visas (OJ L 164, 14.7.1995, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1995/1683/oj).

Council Regulation (EC) No 694/2003 of 14 April 2003 on uniform formats for Facilitated Transit Documents (FTD) and Facilitated Rail Transit Documents (FRTD) provided for in Regulation (EC) No 693/2003 (OJ L 99, 17.4.2003, p. 15, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2003/694/oj).

Council Regulation (EC) No 2252/2004 of 13 December 2004 on standards for security features and biometrics in passports and travel documents issued by Member States (OJ L 385, 29.12.2004, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2004/2252/oj).

Protocol No 19 on the Schengen *acquis* integrated into the framework of the European Union (OJ C 326, 26.10.2012, p. 290, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/treaty/teu_2012/pro_19/oj).

Regulation (EU) No 656/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 establishing rules for the surveillance of the external sea borders in the context of the operational cooperation coordinated by European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union (OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 93, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2014/656/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2016/399 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on a Union Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code) (OJ L 77, 23.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/399/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2017/1954 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2017 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1030/2002 laying down a uniform format for residence

permits for third-country nationals (OJ L 286, 1.11.2017, p. 9, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/1954/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1240 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 September 2018 establishing a European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) and amending Regulations (EU) No 1077/2011, (EU) No 515/2014, (EU) 2016/399, (EU) 2016/1624 and (EU) 2017/2226 (OJ L 236, 19.9.2018, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1240/oj).

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2019/715/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/817 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of borders and visa and amending Regulations (EC) No 767/2008, (EU) 2016/399, (EU) 2017/2226, (EU) 2018/1240, (EU) 2018/1726 and (EU) 2018/1861 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decisions 2004/512/EC and 2008/633/JHA (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 27, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/817/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of police and judicial cooperation, asylum and migration and amending Regulations (EU) 2018/1726, (EU) 2018/1862 and (EU) 2019/816 (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 85, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/818/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/1896 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 November 2019 on the European Border and Coast Guard and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1052/2013 and (EU) 2016/1624 (OJ L 295, 14.11.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1896/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2020/493 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 March 2020 on the False and Authentic Documents Online (FADO) system and repealing Council Joint Action 98/700/JHA (OJ L 107, 6.4.2020, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2020/493/oj).

Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1567 of 26 October 2020 on the financial support for the development of the European Border and Coast Guard standing corps in accordance with Article 61 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1896 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 358, 28.10.2020, p. 59, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2020/1567/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and the Principality of Liechtenstein on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 28 November 2023 (OJ L, 2024/200, 4.1.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2024/200/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 28 November 2023 (OJ L, 2024/1292, 13.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2024/1292/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and Iceland on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 20 December 2023 (OJ L, 2024/1591, 5.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2024/1591/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of

the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 20 December 2023 (OJ L, 2024/1592, 5.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree/2024/1592/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 11 March 2025, establishing a common system for the return of third-country nationals staying illegally in the Union, and repealing Directive 2008/115/EC of the European Parliament and the Council, Council Directive 2001/40/EC and Council Decision 2004/191/EC (COM(2025) 101 final)

SEC3 Article 11 10 02 — European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA)

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	323 631 665	367 161 861	323 631 665	367 161 861	323 631 665	367 161 861	324 405 137	367 935 333	324 405 137	367 935 333
Reserve (30 02 02)	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*	*728 000*
Total	324 359 665	367 889 861	324 359 665	367 889 861	324 359 665	367 889 861	325 133 137	368 663 333	325 133 137	368 663 333

Remarks

The European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA) provides a long-term solution for the operational management of large-scale IT systems which are essential instruments in the implementation of the asylum, border management and migration policies of the Union.

eu-LISA is responsible for the operational management of the Schengen Information System (SIS II), the Visa Information System (VIS) and Eurodac. eu-LISA is also responsible for the preparation, development or operational management of the Entry/Exit System (EES), DubliNet, the European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS), the European Criminal Records Information System – Third-country Nationals (ECRIS-TCN) and the e-Justice Communication via Online Data Exchange system (e-CODEX system). eu-LISA is furthermore responsible for the new information architecture for the Union's border management and internal security, ensuring interoperability between the Union's large-scale information systems and improving the timely, efficient and comprehensive exchange of information with relevant national and Union authorities.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	325 402 377
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus	269 240
Amount entered in the budget	325 133 137

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EC) No 1683/95 of 29 May 1995 laying down a uniform format for visas (OJ L 164, 14.7.1995, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1995/1683/oj).

Commission Regulation (EC) No 1560/2003 of 2 September 2003 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 343/2003 establishing the criteria and mechanisms for

determining the Member State responsible for examining an asylum application lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national. (OJ L 222, 5.9.2003, p. 3, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2003/1560/oj).

Regulation (EC) No 767/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 concerning the Visa Information System (VIS) and the exchange of data between Member States on short-stay visas (VIS Regulation) (OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 60, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2008/767/oj).

Regulation (EU) No 603/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on the establishment of Eurodac for the comparison of fingerprints for the effective application of Regulation (EU) No 604/2013 establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person and on requests for the comparison with Eurodac data by Member States' law enforcement authorities and Europol for law enforcement purposes, and amending Regulation (EU) No 1077/2011 establishing a European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (OJ L 180, 29.6.2013, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/603/oj).

Regulation (EU) No 604/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person (OJ L 180, 29.6.2013, p. 31, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/604/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2016/794 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol) and replacing and repealing Council Decisions 2009/371/JHA, 2009/934/JHA, 2009/935/JHA, 2009/936/JHA and 2009/968/JHA (OJ L 135, 24.5.2016, p. 53, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/794/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2017/2226 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2017 establishing an Entry/Exit System (EES) to register entry and exit data and refusal of entry data of third-country nationals crossing the external borders of the Member States and determining the conditions for access to the EES for law enforcement purposes, and amending the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement and Regulations (EC) No 767/2008 and (EU) No 1077/2011 (OJ L 327, 9.12.2017, p. 20, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/2226/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1240 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 September 2018 establishing a European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) and amending Regulations (EU) No 1077/2011, (EU) No 515/2014, (EU) 2016/399, (EU) 2016/1624 and (EU) 2017/2226 (OJ L 236, 19.9.2018, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1240/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1726 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 November 2018 on the European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA), and amending Regulation (EC) No 1987/2006 and Council Decision 2007/533/JHA and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1077/2011 (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 99, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1726/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1860 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 November 2018 on the use of the Schengen Information System for the return of illegally staying third-country nationals (OJ L 312, 7.12.2018, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1860/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1861 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 November 2018 on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System (SIS) in the field of border checks, and amending the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement, and amending and

repealing Regulation (EC) No 1987/2006 (OJ L 312, 7.12.2018, p. 14, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1861/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1862 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 November 2018 on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System (SIS) in the field of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, amending and repealing Council Decision 2007/533/JHA, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1986/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Decision 2010/261/EU (OJ L 312, 7.12.2018, p. 56, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1862/oj).

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2019/715/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/816 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 establishing a centralised system for the identification of Member States holding conviction information on third-country nationals and stateless persons (ECRIS-TCN) to supplement the European Criminal Records Information System and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1726 (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/816/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/817 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of borders and visa and amending Regulations (EC) No 767/2008, (EU) 2016/399, (EU) 2017/2226, (EU) 2018/1240, (EU) 2018/1726 and (EU) 2018/1861 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decisions 2004/512/EC and 2008/633/JHA (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 27, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/817/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of police and judicial cooperation, asylum and migration and amending Regulations (EU) 2018/1726, (EU) 2018/1862 and (EU) 2019/816 (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 85, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/818/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/850 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2022 on a computerised system for the cross-border electronic exchange of data in the area of judicial cooperation in civil and criminal matters (e-CODEX system), and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1726 (OJ L 150, 1.6.2022, p.1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/850/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2023/969 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 May 2023 establishing a collaboration platform to support the functioning of joint investigation teams and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1726 (OJ L 132, 17.5.2023, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/969/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and the Principality of Liechtenstein on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 28 November 2023 (OJ L, 2024/200, 4.1.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2024/200/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/982 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 March 2024 on the automated search and exchange of data for police cooperation, and amending Council Decisions 2008/615/JHA and 2008/616/JHA and Regulations (EU) 2018/1726, (EU) No 2019/817 and (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council (the Prüm II Regulation) (OJ L, 2024/982, 5.4.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/982/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 28 November 2023 (OJ L, 2024/1292, 13.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2024/1292/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1352 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 amending Regulations (EU) 2019/816 and (EU) 2019/818 for the purpose of introducing the screening of third-country nationals at the external borders (OJ L, 2024/1352, 22.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1352/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1356 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 introducing the screening of third-country nationals at the external borders and amending Regulations (EC) No 767/2008, (EU) 2017/2226, (EU) 2018/1240 and (EU) 2019/817 (OJ L, 2024/1356, 22.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1356/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1358 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 on the establishment of Eurodac for the comparison of biometric data in order to effectively apply Regulations (EU) 2024/1351 and (EU) 2024/1350 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Directive 2001/55/EC and to identify illegally staying third-country nationals and stateless persons and on requests for the comparison with Eurodac data by Member States' law enforcement authorities and Europol for law enforcement purposes, amending Regulations (EU) 2018/1240 and (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EU) No 603/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L, 2024/1358, 22.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1358/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and Iceland on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 20 December 2023 (OJ L, 2024/1591, 5.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2024/1591/oj).

Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway on supplementary rules in relation to the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, for the period 2021 to 2027, signed on 20 December 2023 (OJ L, 2024/1592, 5.6.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree/2024/1592/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/12 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 December 2024 on the collection and transfer of advance passenger information for enhancing and facilitating external border checks, amending Regulations (EU) 2018/1726 and (EU) 2019/817, and repealing Council Directive 2004/82/EC (OJ L, 2025/12, 8.1.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/12/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/13 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 December 2024 on the collection and transfer of advance passenger information for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime, and amending Regulation (EU) 2019/818 (OJ L, 2025/13, 8.1.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/13/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 8 October 2024, establishing an application for the electronic submission of travel data ("EU Digital Travel application") and amending Regulations (EU) 2016/399 and (EU) 2018/1726 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EC) No 2252/2004, as regards the use of digital travel credentials (COM(2024) 670 final)

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 12 02 01 — Internal Security Fund (ISF)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
287 451 000	172 541 180	287 451 000	172 541 180	297 451 000	177 541 180	287 451 000	172 541 180	297 451 000	177 541 180

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to ensuring a high level of security in the Union, in particular by tackling terrorism and radicalisation, serious and organised crime and cybercrime and by assisting and protecting victims of crime.

In particular, the Internal Security Fund (ISF) aims to increase the exchange of information among and within the Union law enforcement and other competent authorities and other relevant Union bodies as well as with third countries and international organisations; to intensify cross-border joint operations among and within the Union law enforcement and other competent authorities in relation to serious and organised crime with a cross-border dimension; and to support effort to strengthen the capabilities in relation to combatting and preventing crime including terrorism, in particular through increased cooperation between public authorities, civil society and private partners across the Member States.

The ISF should in particular support police and judicial cooperation and prevention in the fields of serious and organised crime, illicit arms trafficking, corruption, money laundering, drug trafficking, environmental crime, exchange of and access to information, terrorism, trafficking in human beings, exploitation of illegal immigration, child sexual exploitation, distribution of child abuse images and child pornography, and cybercrime. The ISF should also support the protection of people, public spaces and critical infrastructure against security-related incidents and the effective management of security-related risks and crises, including through the development of common policies (strategies, policy cycles, programmes and action plans), legislation and practical cooperation.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	58 258 909 6 0 1 0

SEC3 Article 12 10 01 — European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
254 094 459	257 077 987	254 094 459	257 077 987	266 094 459	269 077 987	256 087 201	259 070 729	256 087 201	259 070 729

Remarks

The European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol) is the Union’s law enforcement agency, whose remit is to help make Europe safer by assisting law enforcement authorities in Member States. Europol offers support for law enforcement operations on the ground, is a hub for information on criminal activities, as well as a centre of law enforcement expertise.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	258 550 729
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus	2 463 528
Amount entered in the budget	256 087 201

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2016/794 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol) and replacing and repealing Council Decisions 2009/371/JHA, 2009/934/JHA, 2009/935/JHA, 2009/936/JHA and 2009/968/JHA (OJ L 135, 24.5.2016, p. 53, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/794/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1862 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 November 2018 on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System (SIS) in the field of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, amending and repealing Council Decision 2007/533/JHA, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1986/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Decision 2010/261/EU (OJ L 312, 7.12.2018, p. 56, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1862/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/817 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of borders and visa and amending Regulations (EC) No 767/2008, (EU) 2016/399, (EU) 2017/2226, (EU) 2018/1240, (EU) 2018/1726 and (EU) 2018/1861 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decisions 2004/512/EC and 2008/633/JHA (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 27, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/817/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of police and judicial cooperation, asylum and migration and amending Regulations (EU) 2018/1726, (EU) 2018/1862 and (EU) 2019/816 (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 85, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/818/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/1133 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2021 amending Regulations (EU) No 603/2013, (EU) 2016/794, (EU) 2018/1862, (EU) 2019/816 and (EU) 2019/818 as regards the establishment of the conditions for accessing other EU information systems for the purposes of the Visa Information System (OJ L 248, 13.7.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/1133/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2021/1134 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2021 amending Regulations (EC) No 767/2008, (EC) No 810/2009, (EU) 2016/399, (EU) 2017/2226, (EU) 2018/1240, (EU) 2018/1860, (EU) 2018/1861, (EU) 2019/817 and (EU) 2019/1896 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Decisions 2004/512/EC and 2008/633/JHA, for the purpose of reforming the Visa Information System (OJ L 248, 13.7.2021, p. 11, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/1134/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/991 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2022 amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794, as regards Europol's cooperation with private parties, the processing of personal data by Europol in support of criminal investigations, and Europol's role in research and innovation (OJ L 169, 27.6.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/991/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2022/1190 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2022 amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1862 as regards the entry of information alerts into the Schengen Information

System (SIS) on third-country nationals in the interest of the Union (OJ L 185, 12.7.2022, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/1190/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/982 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 March 2024 on the automated search and exchange of data for police cooperation, and amending Council Decisions 2008/615/JHA and 2008/616/JHA and Regulations (EU) 2018/1726, (EU) No 2019/817 and (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council (the Prüm II Regulation) (OJ L, 2024/982, 5.4.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/982/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2024/1358 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 on the establishment of 'Eurodac' for the comparison of biometric data in order to effectively apply Regulations (EU) 2024/1351 and (EU) 2024/1350 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Directive 2001/55/EC and to identify illegally staying third-country nationals and stateless persons and on requests for the comparison with Eurodac data by Member States' law enforcement authorities and Europol for law enforcement purposes, amending Regulations (EU) 2018/1240 and (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EU) No 603/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L, 2024/1358, 22.5.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1358/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2025/2611 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2025 amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794 as regards the strengthening of Europol's support and enhancing police cooperation, for preventing and combating migrant smuggling and trafficking in human beings (OJ L, 2025/2611, 22.12.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2611/oj).

SEC3 Article 12 10 02 — European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
12 372 109	12 372 109	12 372 109	12 372 109	13 372 109	13 372 109	12 454 885	12 454 885	12 454 885	12 454 885

Remarks

The European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL) is an agency of the Union dedicated to develop, implement and coordinate training for law enforcement officials. CEPOL contributes to a safer Europe by facilitating cooperation and knowledge sharing among law enforcement officials of the Member States, and to some extent from third countries, on issues stemming from Union priorities in the field of security; in particular, from the EU Policy Cycle on serious and organised crime. CEPOL brings together a network of training institutes for law enforcement officials in Member States and supports them in providing frontline training on security priorities, law enforcement cooperation and information exchange. CEPOL also works with Union bodies, international organisations and third countries to ensure that the most serious security threats are tackled with a collective response.

Additional appropriations

Total Union contribution	12 542 944
of which amount coming from the recovery of surplus	88 059
Amount entered in the budget	12 454 885

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2015/2219 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL) and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2005/681/JHA (OJ L 319, 4.12.2015, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2015/2219/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/817 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of borders and visa and amending Regulations (EC) No 767/2008, (EU) 2016/399, (EU) 2017/2226, (EU) 2018/1240, (EU) 2018/1726 and (EU) 2018/1861 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decisions 2004/512/EC and 2008/633/JHA (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 27, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/817/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on establishing a framework for interoperability between EU information systems in the field of police and judicial cooperation, asylum and migration and amending Regulations (EU) 2018/1726, (EU) 2018/1862 and (EU) 2019/816 (OJ L 135, 22.5.2019, p. 85, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/818/oj).

SEC3 Article 12 10 04 — EU Centre on Child Sexual Abuse (CSA)

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve (30 02 02)	*11 122 000*	*11 122 000*			*11 122 000*	*11 122 000*	*11 122 000*	*11 122 000*	*1 122 000*	*1 122 000*
Total	11 122 000	11 122 000	p.m.	p.m.	11 122 000	11 122 000	11 122 000	11 122 000	1 122 000	1 122 000

Remarks

The EU Centre on Child Sexual Abuse (CSA) is the Union’s centre whose remit is to prevent and fight child sexual abuse and support victims.

Legal basis

Directive 2011/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2011 on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2002/629/JHA (OJ L 101, 15.4.2011, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2011/36/oj).

Directive 2011/93/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on combating the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children and child pornography, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2004/68/JHA (OJ L 335, 17.12.2011, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2011/93/oj).

Directive 2012/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 establishing minimum standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2001/220/JHA (OJ L 315, 14.11.2012, p. 57, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2012/29/oj).

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 11 May 2022, laying down rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse (COM(2022) 209 final).

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 6 February 2024, on combating the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children and child sexual abuse material and replacing Council Framework Decision 2004/68/JHA (recast) (COM(2024) 60 final).

Conditions for releasing the reserve

The appropriations entered in reserve on this line may only be used when the related basic act is adopted pursuant to Article 294 TFEU and after transfer from the title 30 in accordance with Article 30(2)(a) of the Financial Regulation.

SEC3 Article 13 01 01 — Support expenditure for the European Defence Fund — Non-research

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
4 210 000	3 810 000	4 210 000	4 210 000	4 210 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure described in this chapter relating to the development part of the European Defence Fund.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	102 724 6 6 0 0

Legal basis

See Chapter 13 02.

SEC3 Article 13 02 01 — Capability development

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
731 573 000	585 000 000	731 573 000	585 000 000	736 573 000	587 500 000	731 573 000	585 000 000	731 573 000	585 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the funding envisaged under the EDF for collaborative development projects of defence products and technologies consistent with defence capability priorities commonly agreed by Member States within the framework of the Common Foreign and Security Policy, thus contributing to greater efficiency of defence spending within the Union, achieving greater economies of scale, reducing the risk of unnecessary duplication and thereby reducing the fragmentation of defence products and technologies throughout the Union.

The EDF provides support for actions covering both new and upgrades of existing products and technologies where the use of pre-existing information needed to perform the upgrade is not subject, directly or indirectly to a restriction by non-associated third countries or non-associated third-country entities. Eligible actions shall relate to one or more of the following activities:

— activities aiming to create, underpin and improve knowledge, products and technologies, including disruptive technologies, which can achieve significant effects in the area of defence,

— activities aiming to increase interoperability and resilience, including secured production and exchange of data, to master critical defence technologies, to strengthen the security of supply or to enable the effective exploitation of results for defence products and technologies,

— studies, such as feasibility studies to explore the feasibility of new or improved technologies, products, processes, services and solutions,

— the design of a defence product, tangible or intangible component or technology as well as the definition of the technical specifications based on which such design has been developed which may include partial tests for risk reduction in an industrial or representative environment,

— the development of a model of a defence product, tangible or intangible component or technology, which can demonstrate the element's performance in an operational environment (system prototype),

— the testing of a defence product, tangible or intangible component or technology,

— the qualification of a defence product, tangible or intangible component or technology,

— the certification of a defence product, tangible or intangible component or technology,

— the development of technologies or assets increasing efficiency across the life cycle of defence products and technologies.

This appropriation may also cover the expenditure linked to the work of independent experts appointed by the Commission to assist in the evaluation of proposals and to advise on or assist with the monitoring of the implementation of actions carried out. Furthermore, this appropriation may be used to fund the organisation of dissemination activities, matchmaking events and awareness-raising activities, in particular with a view to opening up supply chains to foster the cross-border participation of SMEs.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	17 850 381 6 6 0 0

SEC3 Article 13 04 01 — Military mobility

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
254 318 147	150 000 000	254 318 147	150 000 000	274 318 147	160 000 000	254 318 147	150 000 000	264 318 147	152 500 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions to contribute to improving the transport infrastructure for the military mobility across the Union by taking advantage of the opportunity to increase synergies between civilian and defence needs and the TEN-T core and comprehensive networks as defined by Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013.

This objective will be mainly implemented through calls for proposals under multiannual work programmes, constituting financing decisions within the meaning of Article 110 of the Financial Regulation. Funding will be made available for sections or nodes identified by Member States in the Annexes to the 'Military Requirements for Military Mobility within and beyond the EU' as adopted by the Council on 15 July 2019 or any subsequent document adopted thereafter in so far as those sections or nodes are also part of the core and comprehensive TEN-T, and to any further indicative list of priority projects that may be identified by Member States.

SEC3 Article 13 08 01 — European Defence Industry Programme

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
683 487 000	110 000 000	683 487 000	110 000 000	690 287 000	113 400 000	683 487 000	110 000 000	683 487 000	110 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions of an operational nature, more specifically, directly linked to the achievement of the objectives of the European Defence Industry Programme. In particular, the programme aims at increasing the defence industrial readiness of the European Defence Technological and Industrial Base in particular through:

(a) initiating and speeding up the adjustment of industry to structural changes, including through the creation and ramp-up of its manufacturing capacities and the opening of the supply chains for cross-border cooperation and effective availability and supply throughout the Union, involving in particular, to a significant extent, SMEs, small mid-caps and other mid-caps;

(b) incentivising cooperation in defence procurement in order to contribute to solidarity, prevent crowding-out effects, increase the effectiveness of public spending and reduce excessive fragmentation, ultimately leading to an increase in the standardisation of defence systems and greater interoperability.

SEC3 Article 13 09 01 — Programme for agile and rapid defence innovation (AGILE)

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	115 000 000	30 000 000	115 000 000	30 000 000
Reserve (30 02 02)	*115 000 000*	*30 000 000*	*115 000 000*	*30 000 000*	*115 000 000*	*30 000 000*				
Total	115 000 000	30 000 000	115 000 000	30 000 000	115 000 000	30 000 000	115 000 000	30 000 000	115 000 000	30 000 000

Nomenclature changes

New article

Remarks

The actions eligible for funding under Agile programme may take form of:

— support for the fast development of emerging and disruptive products and technologies for defence;

— support for the market uptake of emerging and disruptive products and technologies for defence, including through dedicated and iterative field testing and demonstrations and including through support to aggregation of demand;

— support for the establishment of an entity or of its executive management structure in the EU or in an associated third country for the effective implementation of actions under the first two points above;

— supporting actions necessary for the effective implementation of actions under first two points above.

Conditions for releasing the reserve

N/A

SEC3 Item 14 01 01 01 — Support expenditure for the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument — Global Europe

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
365 385 921	360 685 921	365 385 921	365 385 921	365 385 921

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described in this chapter, this appropriation is also and more specifically intended to cover:

— expenditure on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) intended to take over the tasks previously conferred on phased-out technical assistance offices or carried out under the European Development Fund; this covers remuneration of the staff concerned and the additional cost of training, meetings, missions, information technology, telecommunications and other costs relating to the external personnel financed under this item,

— expenditure on external personnel in Union delegations (contract staff, local staff or seconded national experts) for the purposes of devolved programme management in Union delegations in third countries, including tasks previously conferred on phased-out technical assistance offices and/or carried out under the European Development Fund; this covers remuneration of the staff concerned and the additional cost of training, meetings, missions, information technology, telecommunications and other costs directly relating to the presence in delegations of external personnel financed under this item, including logistical and infrastructure costs, for example, the renting of accommodation.

SEC3 Article 14 01 02 — Support expenditure for humanitarian aid

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
11 372 381	11 192 381	11 372 381	11 372 381	11 372 381

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described in this chapter, this appropriation is also and more specifically intended to cover:

— staff expenditure for external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) for the purposes of managing programmes in third countries intended to take over the tasks that were previously entrusted to external contractors handling the administration of individual experts; this covers remuneration of the staff concerned and the additional cost of training, meetings, missions, information technology, telecommunications and other costs relating to the external personnel financed under this article,

— technical assistance expenditure related to the purchase and maintenance of security, specialised ICT tools and technical services necessary for the establishment and functioning of the Emergency Response Centre. This centre (‘crisis room’) will be operational on a 24-hour basis and responsible for the coordination of the Union’s civilian disaster response, in particular to ensure full consistency and efficient cooperation between humanitarian aid and civil protection,

— IT-related expenditure including corporate information technology.

Legal basis

See Chapter 14 03.

SEC3 Item 14 02 01 10 — Southern Neighbourhood

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	1 784 100 000	1 590 000 000	1 784 100 000	1 590 000 000	1 794 100 000	1 570 000 000	1 784 100 000	1 590 000 000	1 810 100 000	1 590 000 000
Reserve					*50 000 000*	*50 000 000*				
Total	1 784 100 000	1 590 000 000	1 784 100 000	1 590 000 000	1 844 100 000	1 620 000 000	1 784 100 000	1 590 000 000	1 810 100 000	1 590 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to provide support to the Southern Neighbourhood partner countries (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, occupied Palestinian territories, Syria, Tunisia) and covers actions implemented in the areas of cooperation specified in the NDICI — Global Europe, including through multi-country, regional, and trans-regional programmes. Priority areas for Union financing are selected mainly from those included in the association, partnership and cooperation agreements, jointly agreed partnership priorities or other relevant, existing and future, jointly agreed documents between the Union and the partner countries in bilateral and multilateral formats.

In addition, this appropriation contributes to the specific objectives of Union support for the Neighbourhood, which are:

— to promote enhanced political cooperation and strengthen and consolidate deep and sustainable democracy, stability, good governance, the rule of law and the respect for human rights;

— to support the implementation of association agreements or other existing and future agreements, and jointly agreed association agendas and partnership priorities or equivalent documents, including through institutional cooperation and capacity building;

— to promote a strengthened partnership with societies between the Union and the partner countries, and among the partner countries, including through people-to-people contacts and a wide range of activities with a specific focus on youth;

— to enhance regional and cross-border cooperation, in particular in the framework of the Union for the Mediterranean, European Neighbourhood-wide collaboration, including in the areas of energy and security;

— to achieve progressive integration into the Union internal market and enhanced sectoral and cross-sectoral cooperation, including through legislative approximation and regulatory convergence towards Union and other relevant international norms and standards, and improved market access, including through deep and comprehensive free trade areas, related institution building and investment;

— to strengthen partnerships on well-managed and safe migration and mobility and, where applicable and provided that conditions for well-managed and secure mobility are in place, support the implementation of existing visa-free regimes, in line with the revised visa suspension mechanism, visa liberalisation dialogues and bilateral or regional agreements and arrangements with third countries, including mobility partnerships;

— to support confidence-building and other measures contributing to security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts, including support to affected populations and reconstruction.

Part of the appropriation can also be used to implement the incentive-based approach as set out in the NDICI — Global Europe.

Conditions for releasing the reserve

N/A

SEC3 Item 14 02 01 11 — Eastern Neighbourhood

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
253 239 461	228 022 048	253 239 461	228 022 048	283 239 461	243 022 048	253 239 461	228 022 048	266 239 461	228 022 048

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to provide support to the Eastern Neighbourhood partner countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine) and cover actions implemented in the areas of cooperation specified in the NDICI — Global Europe, including through multi-country, regional, and trans-regional programmes. Priority areas for Union financing are selected mainly from those included in the association, partnership and cooperation agreements, jointly agreed association agendas and partnership priorities or other relevant, existing and future, jointly agreed documents between the Union and the partner countries in bilateral and multilateral formats.

In addition, this appropriation contributes to the specific objectives of Union support for the Neighbourhood, which are:

— to promote enhanced political cooperation and strengthen and consolidate deep and sustainable democracy, stability, good governance, the rule of law and the respect for human rights;

— to support the implementation of association agreements or other existing and future agreements, and jointly agreed association agendas and partnership priorities or equivalent documents, including through institutional cooperation and capacity building;

— to promote a strengthened partnership with societies between the Union and the partner countries, and among the partner countries, including through people-to-people contacts and a wide range of activities with a specific focus on youth;

— to enhance regional cooperation, in particular in the framework of the Eastern Partnership, European Neighbourhood-wide collaboration as well as Black Sea regional cooperation, Arctic cooperation, the Northern Dimension, including in the areas of energy and security;

— to achieve progressive integration into the Union internal market and enhanced sectoral and cross-sectoral cooperation, including through legislative approximation and regulatory convergence towards Union and other relevant international norms and standards, and improved market access, including through deep and comprehensive free trade areas, related institution building and investment;

— to strengthen partnerships on well-managed and safe migration and mobility and, where applicable and provided that conditions for well-managed and secure mobility are in place, support the implementation of existing visa-free regimes, in line with the revised visa suspension mechanism, visa liberalisation dialogues and bilateral or regional agreements and arrangements with third countries, including mobility partnerships;

— to support confidence-building and other measures contributing to security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts, including support to affected populations and reconstruction.

Part of the appropriation can also be used to implement the incentive-based approach as set out in the NDICI — Global Europe.

SEC3 Item 14 02 01 13 — Reform and Growth Facility for the Republic of Moldova

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
81 500 000	77 900 000	81 500 000	77 900 000	85 500 000	79 900 000	81 500 000	77 900 000	82 500 000	77 900 000

Remarks

Appropriations under this chapter are intended to cover operational expenditure and provide financial support to Moldova in the framework of the Reform and Growth Facility. The Facility will provide assistance to Moldova for the delivery of socio-economic reforms and investments outlined in its Reform Agenda in view to accelerate its convergence with the EU.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2025/535 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 March 2025 establishing the Reform and Growth Facility for the Republic of Moldova (OJ L, 2025/535, 21.3.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/535/oj).

SEC3 Item 14 02 02 20 — Civil Society Organisations

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
157 159 895	201 000 000	157 159 895	201 000 000	162 159 895	203 500 000	157 159 895	201 000 000	157 159 895	201 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover actions linked to the Civil Society Organisations area of intervention specified in the NDICI — Global Europe, including the following:

— inclusive, participatory, empowered and independent civil society, civic and democratic space in partner countries,

— inclusive and open dialogue with and between civil-society actors,

— awareness, understanding, knowledge and engagement of European citizens regarding development issues.

SEC3 Article 14 03 01 — Humanitarian aid

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 866 615 379	1 828 779 344	1 876 615 379	1 832 079 344	1 906 615 379	1 868 779 344	1 866 615 379	1 828 779 344	1 896 615 379	1 828 779 344

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the financing of humanitarian and food assistance operations of a humanitarian nature to help people in third countries who are the victims of conflicts or disasters, both natural and human-made (wars, outbreaks of fighting, etc.), or comparable emergencies, for as long as is necessary to meet the humanitarian needs that such situations give rise to.

This appropriation is also intended to cover the purchase and delivery of any product or equipment needed for the implementation of humanitarian aid operations, including the building of homes or shelters for affected groups of people, short-term rehabilitation and reconstruction work, particularly of infrastructure and facilities, the costs associated with external, expatriate or local staff, storage, international or national shipment, logistic support and distribution of relief and any other action aimed at facilitating freedom of access to the recipients of the aid.

This appropriation may also cover any other costs directly linked to the implementation of humanitarian aid operations, such as technical assistance within the requisite timescale and in a way

which meets the needs of the recipients, satisfies the requirement to achieve the greatest possible degree of cost-effectiveness and provides greater transparency.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	5 500 000 3 3 0, 3 3 8, 3 3 9, 6 5 0 1

SEC3 Article 14 06 01 — Nuclear safety, radiation protection and safeguards

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
24 897 068	33 000 000	24 897 068	33 000 000	24 897 068	33 000 000	67 877 514	51 600 000	67 877 514	51 600 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover activities aiming at:

— the promotion of an effective nuclear safety culture and implementation of the highest nuclear safety and radiation protection standards, and continuous improvement of nuclear safety,

— responsible and safe management of spent fuel and radioactive waste and the decommissioning and remediation of former nuclear sites and installations,

— establishing efficient and effective safeguard systems.

SEC3 Article 14 06 02 — INSC — Provisioning of the common provisioning fund

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
24 380 446	p.m.	24 380 446	p.m.	24 380 446	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to provide the financial resources for the provisioning of the common provisioning fund, for budgetary guarantees for Euratom loans in third countries. Assigned revenue may give rise to additional appropriations, including under budgetary guarantees for loans granted under previous MFFs.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2021/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2021 establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe, amending and repealing Decision No 466/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) 2017/1601 and Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 480/2009 (OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/947/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Title X thereof.

SEC3 Item 14 20 04 03 — Information policy and strategic communication for external action

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
52 967 434	54 079 194	51 067 434	53 449 194	52 967 434	54 079 194	52 967 434	54 079 194	52 967 434	54 079 194

Remarks

This appropriation finances communication, information and outreach measures, systems and networks designed to project a strong, united voice for Europe in the world. The actions under this appropriation will strengthen the Union's capacity to promote its values and interests globally, enhance awareness of the Union's global role and, in that context, draw attention to the scale, ambition and impact of its common foreign and security policy, external relations, international cooperation and partnerships, neighbourhood, enlargement, conflict prevention and humanitarian policies and programmes. They will be based on a coordinated approach, linking the internal and external aspects of Union policies.

The communication, information and outreach measures concerned may address the general public or specific target audiences or stakeholder groups in the Member States or in third countries. They may be implemented directly by the Union centrally or at decentralised level in its delegations and offices in third countries, or in collaboration with public and private sector partners, service providers, international organisations and other stakeholders.

The communication, information and outreach measures financed by this appropriation include the design and implementation of:

— public diplomacy actions,

— strategic communication, including measures to counter global disinformation through the systematic tracking and exposing of disinformation spread by state and other actors,

— (integrated) campaigns, events and other communication, information and outreach actions,

— the EU Visitors programme managed jointly by the Commission and the European Parliament and other visitors' and networks and exchange programmes for media professionals and other stakeholders,

— information actions on Union citizens' rights following the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union.

Activities carried out in realising these measures include the (co-)production, procurement, distribution, organisation and management of:

— briefings and information packs, study visits, press trips, for media professionals and other stakeholders,

— printed, audio-visual and electronic content,

— traditional, online and social media publications,

— media monitoring,

— events, seminars, workshops, conferences and training courses,

— communication and information systems and networks,

— competitions and prizes for traditional and online journalism and reporting,

— opinion polling.

This appropriation may also cover IT-related expenditure, including corporate information technology.

SEC3 Item 14 20 04 04 — Strategic evaluations and audits

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
21 497 504	18 472 000	20 697 504	18 222 000	21 497 504	18 472 000	21 497 504	18 472 000	21 497 504	18 472 000

Remarks

This appropriation covers the financing of strategic evaluation, external monitoring and audit needs in the areas of international cooperation and development, neighbourhood and enlargement.

The financing can also cover meta-studies, approaches, systems and methodologies for evaluation, monitoring and auditing, as well as training and knowledge-sharing systems and other horizontal actions to support the dissemination of expertise and knowledge in this area (such as studies, meetings of experts, information systems and publications).

This appropriation may also cover IT-related expenditure, including corporate information technology.

SEC3 Item 14 20 04 05 — Promotion of the coordination between the Union and Member States on development cooperation and humanitarian aid

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
8 659 939	12 214 653	8 319 939	12 099 653	8 659 939	12 214 653	8 659 939	12 214 653	8 659 939	12 214 653

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover coordination measures under the Union’s development cooperation and humanitarian aid per the specific powers conferred to the Commission in Article 210 and Article 214(6) TFEU.

Pursuant to Article 210 TFEU, the Union and the Member States are to coordinate their policies on development cooperation at Union and international level and shall consult each other on their aid programmes, including in international organisations and during international conferences. They may undertake joint action. Member States shall contribute if necessary to the implementation of Union aid programmes. The Commission is allowed to take any useful initiative to promote this coordination.

Pursuant to Article 214(6) TFEU, the Commission is allowed to take any useful initiative to promote coordination between actions of the Union and those of the Member States, in order to enhance the efficiency and complementarity of Union and national humanitarian aid measures.

The measures covered by this appropriation are intended to provide the Commission with the means of support it needs to prepare, formulate and follow up coordination activities under its development policy and humanitarian aid at Union and international level.

The actions covered by this item will be implemented in coordination with Member States in a Team Europe approach and will include:

— effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, impact and viability studies in the area of coordination,

— analyses, technical assistance, methodological support, monitoring and coordination activities in the priority areas of development policy, aid and development effectiveness, including joint programming, joint implementation, Team Europe Initiatives (TEIs or flagships and transparency), financing for development and sustainable finance, humanitarian aid, bilateral and multilateral partnerships,

— meetings of experts, organisation of events, dialogues and exchanges between the Commission, Member States (including their agencies and development financing institutions), international

organisations (UN, international financial institutions, etc.) and other international actors, including preparation of and participation to international fora such as the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation or those under the policy stream financing for development and humanitarian aid, means of implementation, Agenda 2030 and new Consensus on Development and Humanitarian Aid,

— measures to support external initiatives in the sphere of coordination, including in support to the design, implementation and monitoring of TEIs, dissemination of information and development of information systems,

— the Commission's membership fees and contributions to relevant coordinating organisations and networks,

— IT-related expenditure including corporate information technology.

SEC3 Item 15 01 01 01 — Support expenditure for IPA

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
59 115 086	58 245 086	59 115 086	59 115 086	59 115 086

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described in this Chapter, this appropriation is more specifically intended to cover:

— expenditure on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff). This covers remuneration of the staff concerned and the additional cost of training, meetings, missions, information technology and telecommunications and other costs relating to the external personnel financed from this item,

— expenditure on external personnel in Union delegations (contract staff, local staff or seconded national experts) for the purposes of devolved programme management in Union delegations in third countries including tasks previously conferred on phased-out technical assistance offices, as well as in Commission Post-Accession Transitions Teams remaining in new Member States during the phasing-out period (contract staff, agency staff) working on tasks directly related to completion of accession programmes. This covers remuneration of the staff concerned and the additional cost of training, meetings, missions, information technology, telecommunications and other costs directly relating to the presence in delegations of external personnel financed under this item, including logistical and infrastructure costs, such as the renting of accommodation.

SEC3 Article 15 01 02 — Support expenditure for the Reform and Growth Facility for the Western Balkans

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
7 650 000	7 450 000	7 650 000	7 650 000	7 650 000

Remarks

Besides the expenditure described at the level of this Chapter, support measures may cover technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of the Reform and Growth Facility for the Western Balkans ('Facility'). In particular, this covers appropriation intended for:

— preparation, management, monitoring, evaluation, audit and control activities,

— studies, meetings of experts, consultations with the Western Balkan countries' authorities, conferences, consultation of stakeholders, information and communication actions, including inclusive outreach actions, and corporate communication of the political priorities of the Union,

— expenses linked to IT networks focusing on information processing and exchange, corporate information technology tools, and all other technical and administrative assistance and other supporting activities expenses incurred by the Commission for the management and costs of the Facility at headquarters and in Union delegations,

— costs for external personnel at headquarters and in Union delegations (contract staff, local staff, seconded national experts or agency staff), and any further costs related to the external personnel,

— costs of other supporting activities, such as quality control and monitoring of projects on the ground and the costs of peer counselling and experts for the assessment and implementation of reforms and investments.

Legal basis

See Chapter 15 03.

SEC3 Item 15 02 02 03 — IPA III — Provisioning of the common provisioning fund

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
285 846 165	247 180 703	285 846 165	247 180 703	285 846 165	247 180 703	267 246 165	228 580 703	267 246 165	228 580 703

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to provide the financial resources for the provisioning of the common provisioning fund for budgetary guarantees and financial assistance to IPA III beneficiaries. Assigned revenue may give rise to additional appropriations, also under budgetary guarantees or financial assistance from previous multiannual financial frameworks.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Title X thereof.

Regulation (EU) 2021/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2021 establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe, amending and repealing Decision No 466/2014/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EU) 2017/1601 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 480/2009 (OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/947/oj).

SEC3 Item 15 03 01 06 — Serbia

	Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Line	113 773 609	18 000 000	113 773 609	18 000 000	56 886 804	18 000 000	113 773 609	18 000 000	113 773 609	18 000 000
Reserve					*56 886 805*					
Total	113 773 609	18 000 000	113 773 609	18 000 000	113 773 609	18 000 000	113 773 609	18 000 000	113 773 609	18 000 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the operational expenditure and financial support related to actions carried out under the framework of the Reform and Growth Facility for the Western Balkans for Serbia in line with Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1449.

Conditions for releasing the reserve

N/A

SEC3 Article 16 07 01 — Debt service cost of Ukraine Support Loan

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 150 000 000	1 150 000 000	1 150 000 000	1 150 000 000	1 115 000 000	1 115 000 000	650 000 000	650 000 000	650 000 000	650 000 000

Nomenclature changes

New article

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the costs associated with the funds borrowed on the capital markets and on behalf of the Union in the framework of the Ukraine Support Loan.

~~SEC3 Article 16 07 02~~ — Ukraine Support Loan - Additional liquidity management costs

~~Draft budget~~		~~Council's position~~		~~Parliament's position~~		~~Revised Draft Budget~~		~~Conciliation~~	
~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~
-	-	-	-	~~35 000 000~~	~~35 000 000~~	-	-	-	-

Remarks

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of liquidity management, incurred as a result of amounts issued and held temporarily on liquidity accounts as reserves to meet upcoming payments on behalf of the Union in the framework of the Ukraine Support Loan. This appropriation should be fully financed from the Ukraine Loan Support instrument over and above the MFF ceilings.~~

~~SEC3 Article 16 07 03~~ — Support expenditure for borrowing and debt management activities of the Ukraine Support Loan

~~Draft budget~~		~~Council's position~~		~~Parliament's position~~		~~Revised Draft Budget~~		~~Conciliation~~	
~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~	~~Commitments~~	~~Payments~~
-	-	-	-	~~1 000 000~~	~~1 000 000~~	-	-	-	-

Remarks

~~This appropriation is intended to cover technical and administrative assistance for the implementation of borrowing and debt management activities in capital markets undertaken by the European Union under Article 224 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union ('Financial Regulation'). Such expenditure is directed at supporting borrowing and debt management activities to implement the Ukraine Support Loan. This appropriation should be fully financed from the Ukraine Support Loan instrument over and above the MFF ceilings.~~

SEC3 Item 20 01 01 01 — Salaries, allowances and payments of Members of the institution

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
13 121 800	13 121 800	13 121 800	13 363 900	13 363 900

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover:

— the basic salaries of Members of the Commission,

— the residence allowances of Members of the Commission,

— the family allowances of Members of the Commission, comprising:

  — household allowance,

  — dependent child allowance,

  — education allowance,

  — the representation allowances of Members of the Commission,

  — the employer's contribution towards insurance against occupational diseases and accidents for Members of the Commission,

  — birth grants,

  — in the event of the death of a Member of the Commission:

    — the deceased's full remuneration until the end of the third month following that in which the death occurred,

    — the costs of transporting the body to the deceased's place of origin,

  — the cost of weightings applied to the emoluments,

  — the cost of the weighting applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

  — the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

This appropriation is also intended to provide for any appropriation which may be required to cover:

— travel expenses due to Members of the Commission (including their families) on taking up duty or leaving the Commission,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to Members of the Commission on taking up duty or leaving the Commission,

— removal expenses due to Members of the Commission on taking up duty or leaving the Commission.

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/300/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj)

SEC3 Item 20 01 02 01 — Remuneration and allowances — Headquarters and Representation offices

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
2 892 911 456	2 892 911 456	2 892 911 456	2 948 229 456	2 948 229 456

Remarks

With the exception of staff serving in third countries, this appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— salaries, allowances and other payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to be made by the Commission to temporary staff to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— in respect of officials and temporary staff, allowances for shift work or standby duty at the place of work or at home,

— allowances in the event of dismissal of a probationary official for obvious inadequacy,

— allowances in the event of cancellation by the Commission of the contract of a temporary staff member,

— reimbursement of expenditure on security measures at the homes of officials working in the Commission Representations in the Union and in Union delegations within the Union territory,

— flat-rate allowances and payments at hourly rates for overtime worked by officials in category AST which cannot be compensated, under the arrangements laid down, by free time,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	60 173 000 3 2 0 1

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 01 02 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service — Headquarters and Representation offices

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
17 069 000	17 069 000	17 069 000	17 403 000	17 403 000

Remarks

With the exception of staff serving in third countries, this appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transfer to another place of employment,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— removal expenses due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— daily subsistence allowance for officials and temporary staff who furnish evidence that they must change their place of residence on taking up duty or transfer to a new place of employment,

— transitional costs for officials assigned to posts in new Member States prior to accession who are requested to remain in service in those Member States following the accession date, and who will be entitled, exceptionally, to the same financial and material conditions applied by the Commission before accession, in accordance with Annex X to the Staff Regulations and the Conditions of Employment.

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 01 02 03 — Remuneration and allowances — Union delegations

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
152 325 000	152 325 000	152 325 000	155 155 000	155 155 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the Commission establishment plan in the Union delegations in third countries and at international organisations:

— salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— overtime,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 01 02 04 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service — Union delegations

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
9 536 000	9 536 000	9 536 000	9 592 000	9 592 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the Commission establishment plan in the Union delegations in third countries and at international organisations:

— installation and resettlement allowances due to staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment, and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— travel expenses due to staff (including members of their family) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transfer to another place of employment,

— removal expenses due to staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment, and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Article 20 01 04 — Officials in non-active status, retired in the interests of the service or dismissed

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
7 874 000	7 874 000	7 874 000	8 020 000	8 020 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover allowances for officials:

— assigned non-active status following a reduction in the number of posts in the Commission,

— holding an AD 16, AD 15 or AD 14 grade post who are retired in the interests of the service,

— placed by decision of the appointing authority on leave in the interests of the service for organisational needs linked to the acquisition of new competences within the institutions.

It also covers expenditure arising from the application of the Council Regulations on special or temporary measures to terminate the service of officials or temporary staff.

This appropriation is also intended to cover the employer’s contribution towards sickness insurance for persons in receipt of allowances for assignment of non-active status, retirement in the interest of the service or dismissal.

This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of any updates of allowances during the financial year.

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj)

SEC3 Item 20 02 01 01 — Contract staff

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
115 347 871	115 347 871	115 347 871	119 333 616	119 333 616

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within the Union territory:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union), employer’s contributions to social welfare for contract staff and the impact of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— a sum to cover the remuneration of contract staff acting as guides for persons with disabilities,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	91 150 000 6 0 1, 6 0 2, 6 0 3, 6 0 4, 6 0 9, 6 1 1, 6 1 2, 6 6 1 2
Other assigned revenue	25 101 384 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

Council Directive 2000/78/EC of 27 November 2000 establishing a general framework for equal treatment in employment and occupation (OJ L 303, 2.12.2000, p. 16, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2000/78/oj).

Decision of the Bureau of the European Parliament of 22 June 2005 on the Code of good practice for the employment of people with disabilities.

SEC3 Item 20 02 01 02 — Agency staff and technical and administrative assistance in support of different activities

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
11 970 370	11 970 370	11 970 370	12 093 752	12 093 752

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within the Union territory:

— the employment of agency staff, particularly clerical staff and shorthand typists,

— expenditure on staff included in service contracts for technical and administrative work and the supply of intellectual services, and expenditure on buildings and equipment and operating costs relating to this type of staff,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	225 900 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	340 000 3 2 0 1

SEC3 Item 20 02 01 03 — National civil servants temporarily assigned to the institution

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
52 437 678	52 437 678	52 437 678	53 403 044	53 403 044

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within the Union territory:

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Commission or called for short consultations, particularly to draft legislation on harmonisation in various areas; exchanges are also organised to allow uniform application of Union legislation by the Member States,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

SEC3 Item 20 02 02 01 — Contract staff

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
22 320 000	22 320 000	22 320 000	22 700 000	22 700 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover remuneration and the Commission's social security contributions in respect of contract staff employed in the Commission Representations in the Union.

Legal basis

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 02 03 01 — Contract staff

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
1 397 000	1 397 000	1 397 000	1 419 000	1 419 000

Remarks

With respect to external personnel of the Commission posted in Union delegations in third countries and at international organisations, this appropriation is intended to cover:

— the remuneration of contract staff, and the social security charges and benefits to be met by the employer,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to contract staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment, and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— travel expenses due to contract staff (including members of their family) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transfer to another place of employment,

— removal expenses due to contract staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment, and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Article 20 02 04 — Cost of organising graduate traineeships with the institution

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
14 284 000	14 284 000	14 284 000	14 527 000	14 527 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of in-service traineeships for university graduates. Such traineeships are designed to provide graduates with a first-hand experience of the workings of the Commission, and the Union in general, including an understanding of the objectives and goals of the Union's integration processes and policies, and an opportunity to enhance their knowledge through practical work experience at the Commission.

This appropriation covers the payment of monthly grants and other related costs of the traineeships programme, such as accident and sickness insurance, travel allowance and other travel costs, technical support, communication activities and events (such as training activities, digital services linked to online events, visits, promotional materials, daily allowance or subsistence costs, hosting and reception costs).

The selection of trainees is based on objective and transparent criteria.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	3 704 832 3 2 0 2

SEC3 Article 20 02 05 — Special advisers

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
1 758 000	1 758 000	1 758 000	1 784 000	1 784 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the remuneration of special advisers, their mission expenses and the Commission's accident insurance contributions.

Legal basis

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 02 06 01 — Mission and representation expenses

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
38 223 000	38 223 000	38 223 000	38 264 700	38 264 700

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following decentralised operating expenditure:

Missions:

— travel expenses, including ancillary costs relating to tickets and reservations, daily subsistence allowances and additional or exceptional expenditure incurred in connection with missions by Commission staff covered by the Staff Regulations and by national or international experts or officials seconded to Commission departments (refunds of mission expenses paid for the account of other Union institutions or bodies and for third parties will constitute assigned expenditure). Where the option is available, the Commission will use airlines covered by collective bargaining agreements and complying with the relevant ILO conventions.

Representation expenses:

— reimbursement of the costs incurred by persons officially representing the Commission (reimbursement is not possible for expenses incurred in the performance of representation duties vis-à-vis staff of the Commission or other Union institutions).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	326 735 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	1 771 348 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 02 06 05 — Further training and management training

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
10 936 000	10 936 000	10 936 000	10 967 300	10 967 300

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

— expenditure on general training designed to improve the skills of the staff and the performance and efficiency of the Commission,

— fees for experts employed to identify training needs, design, develop and hold courses and evaluate and monitor results,

— fees for consultants in various fields, in particular organisational methods, management, strategy, quality assurance and personnel management,

— expenditure incurred in designing, holding and evaluating the training organised by the Commission in the form of courses, seminars and conferences (course instructors or speakers and their travel and subsistence expenses, and teaching materials),

— the cost of attending external training and of joining the relevant professional organisations,

— expenditure related to the practical aspects of organising such courses and the use of premises and transport and the cost of food and accommodation for the participants of residential courses,

— training expenditure related to publications and information, associated internet sites and the purchase of teaching equipment, subscriptions and licences for distance teaching, books, press and multimedia products,

— financing teaching aids.

This appropriation is also intended to cover expenditure relating to very specific support actions for staff interpreters, such as thematic training, linguistic stays, and refresher or intensive courses.

Under the agreement on working conditions for conference interpreting agents (ACIs), this category of interpreters has access to limited support for language training (i.e. language stay bursaries and training vouchers).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	1 900 000 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

Reference acts

Commission internal directive; Conclusion 252/08 of 15 February 2008 — Agreement on working conditions and the pecuniary regime for conference interpreting agents (ACIs) recruited by the institutions of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 03 01 01 — Acquisition and renting of buildings

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
142 534 000	142 534 000	142 534 000	142 630 000	142 630 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within the Union territory:

— rent and ground rent relating to occupied buildings or parts of buildings, and the hire of conference rooms, storerooms, garages and parking facilities,

— the costs of purchase or lease-purchase of buildings,

— the construction of buildings.

Appropriations to cover the equivalent expenditure in respect of research are entered under various items of the titles concerned.

This appropriation covers expenditure incurred within the Union territory, excluding the Commission Representations in the Union.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

EFTA-EEA	280 557 6 6 0 0
Other assigned revenue	30 018 000 3 1 0, 3 2 0 2, 4 0 0 0

Legal basis

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Item 20 03 11 02 — Professional support

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
155 000	155 000	155 000	214 000	214 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure relating to activities enabling the recruitment of a sufficient number of qualified conference interpreters, particularly for certain language combinations, and to finance specific language enhancement support for conference interpreters.

On the external side, this includes, in particular, grants to universities, training for trainers and educational support programmes, together with student scholarships.

Under the agreement on working conditions for conference interpreting agents (ACIs), this category of interpreters has access to limited support for language training (i.e. language stay bursaries and training vouchers) as they are assimilated to contract agents for days during which they under contract with the Commission.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	321 300 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

Reference acts

Commission internal directive; Conclusion 252/08 of 15 February 2008 — Agreement on working conditions and the pecuniary regime for conference interpreting agents (ACIs) recruited by the institutions of the European Union.

SEC3 Item 20 03 11 03 — Interinstitutional cooperation — Interpretation

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
82 000	82 000	82 000	142 000	142 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to finance Commission expenditure for cooperation and outreach activities of inter-institutional dimension in the linguistic field, including those organised in the context of the Interinstitutional Committee for Translation and Interpretation.

The actions that can be financed include professional support tools, other inter-institutional projects, events and meetings related to the promotion of multilingualism and communication actions such as the Commission participation in international events focused on the linguistic professions.

SEC3 Item 20 03 15 01 — Publications Office

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
124 053 752	124 053 752	124 053 752	125 797 752	125 797 752

Remarks

The amount entered corresponds to the appropriations for the Publications Office of the European Union set out in detail in the specific annex to this section.

On the basis of the Publications Office's cost-accounting forecasts, the cost of the services it will perform for each institution is estimated as follows:

European Parliament	10 681 322	8,49 %
Council of the European Union	7 215 546	5,74 %
European Commission	77 761 650	61,81%
Court of Justice of the European Union	7 216 374	5,74 %
European Court of Auditors	859 908	0,68 %
European Economic and Social Committee	604 788	0,48 %
European Committee of the Regions	317 980	0,25 %
Agencies	17 276 928	13,73%
Other	3 863 256	3,07 %
Total	125 797 752	100,00 %

This appropriation is intended to cover the costs borne by the Publications Office as official provider of publishing services to all institutions, bodies and agencies established by or under the Treaties. As such, the Publications Office constitutes the central point of access to Union law, and also to publications, open data, research results, procurement notices and other official information.

Its mission is to support Union policies as a centre of excellence for information, data and knowledge management, and to ensure that this broad range of information is made available to the public as accessible and reusable data to facilitate transparency, economic activity, and the diffusion of knowledge.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	3 000 000 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Decision 2009/496/EC, Euratom of the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Justice, the Court of Auditors, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union (OJ L 168, 30.6.2009, p. 41, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2009/496/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Articles 64 to 67 thereof.

SEC3 Item 20 03 15 02 — European Personnel Selection Office

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
30 952 114	30 952 114	30 952 114	31 272 114	31 272 114

Remarks

The amount entered corresponds to the appropriations for the European Personnel Selection Office set out in detail in the specific annex to this section.

Legal basis

Decision 2002/620/EC of the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Justice, the Court of Auditors, the Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Ombudsman of 25 July 2002 establishing a European Communities Personnel Selection Office (OJ L 197, 26.7.2002, p. 53, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2002/620/oj).

Decision 2005/119/EC of the Secretaries-General of the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Justice, the Court of Auditors, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions and the Representative of the European Ombudsman of 26 January 2005 on the organisation and running of the European Administrative School (OJ L 37, 10.2.2005, p. 17, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2005/119(1)/oj).

SEC3 Item 20 03 16 01 — Office for Administration and Payment of Individual Entitlements

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
61 532 017	61 532 017	61 532 017	62 564 017	62 564 017

Remarks

The amount entered corresponds to the appropriations for the Office for the Administration and Payment of Individual Entitlements (PMO) set out in detail in the specific annex to this section.

In accordance with Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 September 2013 concerning investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1073/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (Euratom) No 1074/1999 (OJ L 248, 18.9.2013, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/883/oj), the appropriations for, and staff of, the Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-Fraud Office and its secretariat are entered in the budget and establishment plan of the PMO.

For the sake of transparency, the resources made available to the secretariat of Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-Fraud Office in the PMO's budget can be identified. Based on a secretariat of seven permanent posts and an allocation for one member of contract staff, the appropriations for the operation of the secretariat of Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-Fraud Office would amount to approximately EUR 1 000 000. This amount covers expenditure on staff costs, training, missions, internal meetings, buildings and IT.

The expenditure resulting from the mandate of the members of the Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-Fraud Office is covered by appropriations of EUR 200 000 in Article 20 03 18.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	15 956 245 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Commission Decision 2003/522/EC of 6 November 2002 establishing an Office for the administration and payment of individual entitlements (OJ L 183, 22.7.2003, p. 30, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2003/522/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Articles 64 to 67 thereof.

SEC3 Item 20 03 16 02 — Office for Infrastructure and Logistics — Brussels

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
106 768 674	106 768 674	106 768 674	108 618 674	108 618 674

Remarks

The amount entered corresponds to the appropriations for the Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Brussels set out in detail in the specific annex to this section.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	16 157 353 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Commission Decision 2003/523/EC of 6 November 2002 establishing the Office for infrastructure and logistics in Brussels (OJ L 183, 22.7.2003, p. 35, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2003/523/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Articles 64 to 67 thereof.

SEC3 Item 20 03 16 03 — Office for Infrastructure and Logistics — Luxembourg

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
34 630 250	34 630 250	34 630 250	35 098 250	35 098 250

Remarks

The amount entered corresponds to the appropriations for the Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Luxembourg set out in detail in the specific annex to this section.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	2 370 796 6 0 1 0

Legal basis

Commission Decision 2003/524/EC of 6 November 2002 establishing the Office for infrastructure and logistics in Luxembourg (OJ L 183, 22.7.2003, p. 40, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2003/524/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj), and in particular Articles 64 to 67 thereof.

SEC3 Article 20 03 17 — European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
74 658 474	74 658 474	75 170 474	75 675 474	75 675 474

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure relating to the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), including for OLAF staff posted in Union delegations, the objective of which is to combat fraud within an interinstitutional framework. Appropriations are set out in detail in the specific annex to this section.

Legal basis

Commission Decision 1999/352/EC, ECSC, Euratom of 28 April 1999 establishing the European Anti-fraud Office (OLAF) (OJ L 136, 31.5.1999, p. 20, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/1999/352/oj), and in particular Article 4 and Article 6(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 September 2013 concerning investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1073/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (Euratom) No 1074/1999 (OJ L 248, 18.9.2013, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/883/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Article 20 10 01 — Translation Centre for bodies of the European Union

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
8 549 500	p.m.	8 549 500	3 000 000	2 700 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover staff and administrative expenditure (Titles 1 and 2), and operational expenditure (Title 3) of the Translation Centre for bodies of the European Union.

The budgetary resources of the Translation Centre consist of financial contributions from the agencies for which it works and the institutions and bodies with which it cooperates, without prejudice to other revenue.

The amounts repaid in accordance with Article 17 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_del/2019/715/oj) constitute assigned revenue (Article 21(3), point (b), of the Financial Regulation) to be charged to Item 6 6 0 0 of the general statement of revenue.

The establishment plan of the Translation Centre is set out in Annex 'Staff' to this section.

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EC) No 2965/94 of 28 November 1994 setting up a Translation Centre for bodies of the European Union (OJ L 314, 7.12.1994, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1994/2965/oj).

Reference acts

Declaration of the representatives of the Governments of the Member States meeting in Brussels on 29 October 1993 at Head of State or Government level.

SEC3 Article 21 01 01 — Pensions and allowances

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
3 106 806 000	3 106 806 000	3 106 806 000	3 167 926 000	3 167 926 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover:

— retirement pensions of officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,

— invalidity pensions of officials and temporary staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,

— invalidity allowances of officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,

— survivors' pensions for surviving spouses and orphans of former officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,

— severance grants of officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,

— payments of the actuarial equivalent of retirement pensions,

— payments (pension bonus) to former members of the Resistance (or to their surviving spouses and orphans) who were deported or interned,

— payments of financial aid to a surviving spouse who has a serious or protracted illness or who is disabled, for the duration of the illness or disability, based on an examination of the social and medical circumstances of the person concerned,

— the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for pensioners,

— supplementary payments for the reimbursement of medical expenses for former members of the Resistance who were deported or interned,

— the effect of weightings applicable to pensions,

— the cost of any updates of pensions during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other countries	351 010 000 6 6 0 2

Legal basis

Regulation No 31 (EEC), 11 (EAEC), laying down the Staff Regulations of Officials and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community (OJ 45, 14.6.1962, p. 1385/62, ELI: https://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1962/31(1)/oj).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Item 21 01 02 01 — Pensions of former Members of the European Parliament

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
25 445 000	25 445 000	25 445 000	25 918 000	25 918 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions, invalidity pensions and survivor's pensions of former Members of the European Parliament.

Legal basis

Statute for Members of the European Parliament, and in particular Articles 14, 15, 17 and 28 thereof.

Implementing measures for the Statute for Members of the European Parliament, and in particular Articles 49 to 60 thereof, and relevant provisions adopted by the Bureau of the European Parliament.

SEC3 Item 21 01 02 02 — Pensions of former Presidents of the European Council and of former Secretaries-General of the Council of the European Union

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
922 000	922 000	922 000	940 000	940 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Presidents of the European Council and of former Secretaries-General of the Council of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivor's pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former Presidents of the European Council and of former Secretaries-General of the Council of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

It also covers the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for former Presidents of the European Council and for former Secretaries-General of the Council of the European Union.

Legal basis

Council Decision 2009/909/EU of 1 December 2009 laying down the conditions of employment of the President of the European Council (OJ L 322, 9.12.2009, p. 35, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2009/909/oj).

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/300/oj).

SEC3 Item 21 01 02 03 — Pensions of former Members of the Commission

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
14 144 000	14 144 000	14 144 000	14 408 000	14 408 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Members of the Commission, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former Members of the Commission, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

It also covers the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for former Members of the Commission.

Legal basis

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1967/422/oj).

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/300/oj).

SEC3 Item 21 01 02 04 — Pensions of former Members of the Court of Justice of the European Union

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
22 121 000	22 121 000	22 121 000	22 523 000	22 523 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Members of the Court of Justice of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former Members of the Court of Justice of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

It also covers the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for former Members of the Court of Justice of the European Union.

Legal basis

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1967/422/oj), and in particular Articles 8, 9, 15 and 18 thereof.

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/300/oj).

SEC3 Item 21 01 02 05 — Pensions of former Members of the Court of Auditors

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
8 520 000	8 520 000	8 520 000	8 678 000	8 678 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Members of the Court of Auditors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former Members of the Court of Auditors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

It also covers the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for former Members of the Court of Auditors.

Legal basis

Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 2290/77 of 18 October 1977 determining the emoluments of the Members of the Court of Auditors (OJ L 268, 20.10.1977, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1977/2290/oj), and in particular Articles 9, 10, 11 and 16 thereof.

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/300/oj).

SEC3 Item 21 01 02 06 — Pensions of former European Ombudsmen

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
494 000	494 000	494 000	505 000	505 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former European Ombudsmen, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former European Ombudsmen, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

It also covers the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for former European Ombudsmen.

Legal basis

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1967/422/oj), and in particular Articles 8, 9, 15 and 18 thereof.

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/300/oj).

SEC3 Item 21 01 02 07 — Pensions of former European Data Protection Supervisors

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
400 000	400 000	400 000	407 000	407 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former European Data Protection Supervisors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, as well as the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former European Data Protection Supervisors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

It also covers the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for former Members of the European Data Protection Supervisors.

Legal basis

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal

(OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1967/422/oj), and in particular Articles 8, 9, 15 and 18 thereof.

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/300/oj).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1725/oj).

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 01 — Office of the Secretary-General of the European Schools (Brussels)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
19 396 236	19 396 236	19 396 236	19 872 181	19 872 181

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the financing of the Office of the Secretary-General of the European Schools (Brussels).

European Schools must comply with the principles of non-discrimination and equal opportunities.

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 02 — Brussels I (Uccle)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
51 600 591	51 600 591	51 600 591	51 978 772	51 978 772

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Brussels-Uccle (Brussels I).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	730 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 03 — Brussels II (Woluwe)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
46 381 459	46 381 459	46 381 459	46 706 547	46 706 547

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Brussels-Woluwe (Brussels II).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	630 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 04 — Brussels III (Ixelles)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
37 383 694	37 383 694	37 383 694	38 084 673	38 084 673

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Brussels-Ixelles (Brussels III).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	480 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 05 — Brussels IV (Laeken)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
37 017 571	37 017 571	37 017 571	38 145 443	38 145 443

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Brussels-Laeken (Brussels IV).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	410 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 06 — Luxembourg I

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
23 939 490	23 939 490	23 939 490	24 188 863	24 188 863

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Luxembourg (Luxembourg I).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	1 130 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 07 — Luxembourg II

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
17 455 735	17 455 735	17 455 735	18 196 210	18 196 210

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Luxembourg (Luxembourg II).

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	1 050 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 08 — Mol (BE)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
11 494 059	11 494 059	11 494 059	12 905 990	12 905 990

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Mol.

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 09 — Frankfurt am Main (DE)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
9 379 066	9 379 066	9 379 066	9 926 337	9 926 337

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Frankfurt am Main.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	1 100 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 10 — Karlsruhe (DE)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
6 721 051	6 721 051	6 721 051	7 132 376	7 132 376

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Karlsruhe.

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 11 — Munich (DE)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
730 335	730 335	730 335	751 498	751 498

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Munich.

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 12 — Alicante (ES)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
1 595 707	1 595 707	1 595 707	1 782 183	1 782 183

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Alicante.

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 13 — Varese (IT)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
13 422 000	13 422 000	13 422 000	13 989 575	13 989 575

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Varese.

SEC3 Item 21 02 01 14 — Bergen (NL)

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
5 149 753	5 149 753	5 149 753	6 502 285	6 502 285

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to contribute to the budget of the European School in Bergen.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	4 800 000 3 3 8 0

SEC3 Article 30 01 01 — Administrative reserve

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
1 837 800	1 837 800	1 837 800	1 837 800	1 837 800

Remarks

The appropriations entered in this article are purely provisional and may only be used after their transfer to another budget line in accordance with the Financial Regulation.

The breakdown is as follows (commitments, payments):

1.	Article	10 01 01	Support expenditure for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)	1 837 800	1 837 800
			Total	**1 837 800**	**1 837 800**

Legal basis

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 Article 30 02 02 — Differentiated appropriations

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
288 483 427	198 280 427	277 361 427	187 158 427	395 370 232	248 280 427	165 567 427	159 467 427	155 567 427	149 467 427

Remarks

The appropriations in this title are intended for two circumstances only: (a) where no basic act exists for the action concerned when the budget is established; and (b) where there are serious grounds for

doubting the adequacy of the appropriations or the possibility of implementing, under conditions consistent with sound financial management, the appropriations entered in the budget lines concerned. The appropriations entered in this article may be used only after transfer in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 30 of the Financial Regulation for cases under point (a) and in Article 31 of the Financial Regulation for cases under point (b).

The breakdown is as follows (commitments, payments):

1.	Article	02 10 01	European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)	498 000	498 000
2.	Article	02 10 03	European Union Agency for Railways (ERA)	2 064 000	2 064 000
3.	Article	02 10 06	European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)	718 000	718 000
4.	Item	03 10 01 01	European Chemicals Agency — Chemicals legislation	576 912	576 912
5.	Article	03 10 02	European Banking Authority (EBA)	263 000	263 000
6.	Article	03 10 06	European Union Customs Authority (EUCA)	3 062 000	3 062 000
7.	Item	06 10 03 02	Special contribution for orphan medicinal products	1 196 000	1 196 000
8.	Article	08 05 01	Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third-country waters	119 900 000	118 800 000

9.	Article	09 10 02	European Environment Agency	439 515	439 515
10.	Item	09 20 04 01	Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism	5 000 000	0
11.	Article	11 10 02	European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (eu-LISA)	728 000	728 000
12.	Article	12 10 04	EU Centre on Child Sexual Abuse (CSA)	1 122 000	1 122 000
13.	Item	14 20 03 07	Council of Europe Development Bank — Provision of paid-up shares of subscribed capital	20 000 000	20 000 000
			Total	**155 567 427**	**149 467 427**

Legal basis

Regulation (EU, Euratom 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

SEC3 S 01 01 — Administration

Function group and grade	2027		2026	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	29	—	29	—
AD 15	165	12	165	12
AD 14	597	21	597	21
AD 13	1 088	10	1 158	10
AD 12	1 733	14	1 663	14
AD 11	1 294	52	1 174	52
AD 10	1 612	11	1 592	11
AD 9	1 697	20	1 747	20
AD 8	1 253	56	1 253	56
AD 7	1 565	10	1 525	10
AD 6	753	10	643	10
AD 5	1 005	28	1 151	26
AD subtotal	*12 791*	*244*	*12 697*	*242*
AST 11	112	—	122	—
AST 10	150	—	150	—
AST 9	590	—	610	—
AST 8	537	12	537	12
AST 7	690	18	699	18
AST 6	610	29	679	29
AST 5	485	16	508	16
AST 4	348	10	398	10
AST 3	415	3	343	3
AST 2	100	—	69	—
AST 1	289	1	283	—
AST subtotal [1]	*4 326*	*89*	*4 398*	*88*
AST/SC 6	5	—	5	—
AST/SC 5	39	—	39	—
AST/SC 4	79	35	74	35
AST/SC 3	197	—	202	—
AST/SC 2	450	—	398	—
AST/SC 1	605	—	660	—
AST/SC subtotal	*1 375*	*35*	*1 378*	*35*
Total	**18 492**	**368**	**18 473**	**365**
Grand Total	**18 860** [2 3 4]		**18 838** [2.3 4]	

[1] 50 posts in the function group AST may be occupied by officials and temporary staff in the AST/SC function group to reflect the gradual phase-in of the AST/SC function group.

[2] The establishment plan includes, 15 posts for JRC under Heading 7 for decommissioning of nuclear activities granted for the period of decommissioning.

[3] The establishment plan accepts the following *ad personam* appointments: up to 25 AD 15 may become AD 16; up to 20 AD 14 may become AD 15; up to 25 AD 13 may become AD 14.

[4] The establishment plan includes, pursuant to Article 53 of the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, the following permanent posts which can be available for the Supply Agency: 8AD and 9AST function group posts. SC function group appointments are allowed within the limit of AST function group.

SEC3 S 02 06 — European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF)

Function group and grade	2027		2026	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	1	1	1	1
AD 15	4	—	4	—
AD 14	14	—	14	—
AD 13	17	1	15	3
AD 12	30	2	32	—
AD 11	21	—	21	—
AD 10	28	—	24	—
AD 9	37	—	37	—
AD 8	30	—	32	—
AD 7	23	—	25	—
AD 6	4	—	4	—
AD 5	5	—	2	—
AD subtotal	*214*	*4*	*211*	*4*
AST 11	5	3	3	5
AST 10	4	3	5	2
AST 9	16	1	16	1
AST 8	10	—	10	—
AST 7	13	—	13	—
AST 6	11	—	11	—
AST 5	8	—	8	—
AST 4	5	—	6	—
AST 3	1	—	5	—
AST 2	—	—	—	—
AST 1	—	—	—	—
AST subtotal [1]	*73*	*7*	*77*	*8*
AST/SC 6	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 5	1	—	—	—
AST/SC 4	2	—	2	—
AST/SC 3	2	—	3	—
AST/SC 2	4	—	4	—
AST/SC 1	1	—	1	—
AST/SC subtotal	*10*	—	*10*	—
Total	**297**	**11**	**298**	**12**
Grand Total	**308** [1]		**310**	

[1] 5 posts in the function group AST may be occupied by officials and temporary staff in the AST/SC function group to reflect the gradual phase-in of the AST/SC function group.

SEC3 S 03 01 07 — European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)

Function group and grade	2027		2026	
	Authorized under the Union budget		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	—	—	—	—
AD 15	—	1	—	1
AD 14	—	6	—	5
AD 13	1	7	1	6
AD 12	1	25	1	23
AD 11	—	23	—	23
AD 10	1	29	1	29
AD 9	—	22	—	23
AD 8	—	15	—	17
AD 7	—	16	—	16
AD 6	—	21	—	23
AD 5	—	10	—	8
AD subtotal	*3*	*175*	*3*	*174*
AST 11	—	—	—	—
AST 10	—	2	—	2
AST 9	—	6	—	4
AST 8	—	12	—	11
AST 7	—	15	—	16
AST 6	—	11	—	12
AST 5	—	6	—	8
AST 4	—	4	—	3
AST 3	—	4	—	4
AST 2	—	1	—	1
AST 1	—	—	—	—
AST subtotal	—	*61*	—	*61*
AST/SC 6	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 5	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 4	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 3	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 2	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 1	—	—	—	—
AST/SC subtotal	—	—	—	—
Total	**3**	**236**	**3**	**235**
Grand Total	**239**		**238**	

SEC3 S 03 01 19 — European Medicines Agency (EMA)

Function group and grade	2027		2026	
	Authorized under the Union budget		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	—	—	—	—
AD 15	—	2	—	3
AD 14	—	15	—	13
AD 13	—	17	—	18
AD 12	—	68	—	64
AD 11	—	45	—	51
AD 10	—	64	—	60
AD 9	—	95	—	109
AD 8	—	78	—	76
AD 7	—	95	—	93
AD 6	—	64	—	29
AD 5	—	1	—	—
AD subtotal	—	*544*	—	*516*
AST 11	—	3	—	3
AST 10	—	7	—	7
AST 9	—	15	—	15
AST 8	—	20	—	23
AST 7	—	33	—	41
AST 6	—	48	—	40
AST 5	—	48	—	42
AST 4	—	12	—	16
AST 3	—	21	—	16
AST 2	—	—	—	—
AST 1	—	—	—	—
AST subtotal	—	*207*	—	*203*
AST/SC 6	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 5	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 4	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 3	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 2	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 1	—	—	—	—
AST/SC subtotal	—	—	—	—
Total	**—**	**751**	**—**	**719**
Grand Total	**751**		**719**	

SEC3 S 03 01 31 — European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)

Function group and grade	2027		2026	
	Authorized under the Union budget		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	—	—	—	—
AD 15	—	1	—	1
AD 14	—	1	—	1
AD 13	—	26	—	25
AD 12	—	3	—	3
AD 11	—	6	—	6
AD 10	—	9	—	9
AD 9	—	10	—	10
AD 8	—	29	—	29
AD 7	—	43	—	38
AD 6	—	39	—	31
AD 5	—	13	—	10
AD subtotal	—	*180*	—	*163*
AST 11	—	—	—	—
AST 10	—	—	—	—
AST 9	—	1	—	1
AST 8	—	1	—	1
AST 7	—	1	—	1
AST 6	—	3	—	4
AST 5	—	25	—	23
AST 4	—	25	—	25
AST 3	—	16	—	13
AST 2	—	—	—	—
AST 1	—	—	—	—
AST subtotal	—	*72*	—	*68*
AST/SC 6	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 5	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 4	—	1	—	1
AST/SC 3	—	2	—	1
AST/SC 2	—	1	—	2
AST/SC 1	—	—	—	—
AST/SC subtotal	—	*4*	—	*4*
Total	**—**	**256**	**—**	**235**
Grand Total	**256**		**235**	

SEC3 S 03 01 35 — EU Centre to prevent and counter child sexual abuse (CSA)

Function group and grade	2027		2026	
	Authorized under the Union budget		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	—	—	—	—
AD 15	—	—	—	—
AD 14	—	—	—	—
AD 13	—	—	—	—
AD 12	—	—	—	—
AD 11	—	—	—	—
AD 10	—	—	—	—
AD 9	—	—	—	—
AD 8	—	—	—	—
AD 7	—	—	—	—
AD 6	—	—	—	—
AD 5	—	14	—	—
AD subtotal	—	*14*	—	—
AST 11	—	—	—	—
AST 10	—	—	—	—
AST 9	—	—	—	—
AST 8	—	—	—	—
AST 7	—	—	—	—
AST 6	—	—	—	—
AST 5	—	—	—	—
AST 4	—	—	—	—
AST 3	—	6	—	—
AST 2	—	—	—	—
AST 1	—	—	—	—
AST subtotal	—	*6*	—	—
AST/SC 6	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 5	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 4	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 3	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 2	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 1	—	—	—	—
AST/SC subtotal	—	—	—	—
Total	**—**	**20**	**—**	**—**
Grand Total	**20**		**—**	

SEC3 S 03 04 02 — European Research Executive Agency (REA)

Function group and grade	2027		2026	
	Authorized under the Union budget		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	—	—	—	—
AD 15	—	1	—	1
AD 14	—	17	—	16
AD 13	—	15	—	16
AD 12	—	40	—	40
AD 11	—	36	—	34
AD 10	—	45	—	45
AD 9	—	34	—	32
AD 8	—	30	—	30
AD 7	—	11	—	9
AD 6	—	17	—	18
AD 5	—	—	—	—
AD subtotal	—	*246*	—	*241*
AST 11	—	2	—	1
AST 10	—	2	—	3
AST 9	—	4	—	4
AST 8	—	1	—	2
AST 7	—	—	—	—
AST 6	—	—	—	—
AST 5	—	—	—	—
AST 4	—	—	—	—
AST 3	—	—	—	—
AST 2	—	—	—	—
AST 1	—	—	—	—
AST subtotal	—	*9*	—	*10*
AST/SC 6	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 5	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 4	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 3	—	1	—	—
AST/SC 2	—	—	—	—
AST/SC 1	—	—	—	—
AST/SC subtotal	—	*1*	—	—
Total	**—**	**256**	**—**	**251**
Grand Total [1] [2]	**256**		**251**	

[1] The establishment plan accepts the following ad personam appointments: seconded officials may occupy a post in the establishment plan of the REA at a higher grade provided that such higher grade corresponds to their own grade at the Commission. This exception applies only to seconded officials.

[2] The establishment plan posts include 34 posts in 2027 and 30 posts in 2026 financed from NGEU and programmes outside the Union budget.

SEC3 Item O1 01 01 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
77 472 752	77 472 752	77 472 752	78 906 752	78 906 752

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments by the Office to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

SEC3 Item O1 01 01 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
432 000	432 000	432 000	438 000	438 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transferring to another place of employment,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— removal expenses due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

SEC3 Article O1 01 02 — External personnel

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
2 993 000	2 993 000	2 993 000	3 233 000	3 233 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the Office’s social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external staff and agency staff,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignments to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

SEC3 Item O1 01 09 01 — Information systems

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
9 234 000	9 234 000	9 234 000	9 298 000	9 298 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the information systems (i.e., applications) of the Office and related expenditure. Its scope includes the cost of business software and the costs of developing, managing and running applications for the Office. It covers in particular:

— information systems development: resources linked to the analysis, design, development, code, test and release packaging services associated with application development projects,

— information systems support and maintenance: the operations, support, fix and minor enhancements associated with existing applications,

— business software acquisition: software expenditure including licensing, maintenance and support related to off-the-shelf software purchases,

— information systems management: costs in relation to the management, administration and planning of IT, including expenditure for assistance on executive management, strategic management, enterprise architecture, IT finance and vendor management.

SEC3 Item O2 01 01 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
15 253 224	15 253 224	15 253 224	15 539 224	15 539 224

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments by the Office to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year,

— the flat-rate allowances and payments at hourly rates for overtime worked by officials in category AST and by local staff who could not be given compensatory leave in accordance with the procedures laid down,

— daily subsistence allowances for officials and temporary staff who furnish evidence that they must change their place of residence on taking up duty or transferring to a new place of employment,

— supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of Union officials, i.e., to pay the allowances and reimburse the expenditure to which secondment entitles them, as well as costs relating to special training schemes with authorities and bodies in the Member States and third countries.

SEC3 Item O2 01 01 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
80 000	80 000	80 000	81 000	81 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, for officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transferring to another place of employment,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— removal expenses due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

SEC3 Article O2 01 02 — External personnel

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
2 097 000	2 097 000	2 097 000	2 130 000	2 130 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the Office's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external staff and agency staff,

— personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting, supplementary assistance and the supply of intellectual services,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignments to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

SEC3 Item O3 01 01 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
17 167 736	17 167 736	17 167 736	17 578 736	17 578 736

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments by the Office to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	4 675 463 3 2 0 2

SEC3 Item O3 01 01 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
112 000	112 000	112 000	114 000	114 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transferring to another place of employment,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— removal expenses due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

SEC3 Article O3 01 02 — External personnel

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
25 849 000	25 849 000	25 849 000	26 468 000	26 468 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the Office's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external personnel and agency staff,

— personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting, supplementary assistance and the supply of intellectual services,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	7 358 453 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

SEC3 Item O4 01 01 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
38 136 000	38 136 000	38 136 000	38 867 000	38 867 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments by the Office to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	1 250 000 3 2 0 2

SEC3 Item O4 01 01 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
118 000	118 000	118 000	120 000	120 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transferring to another place of employment,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— removal expenses due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

SEC3 Item O4 01 02 01 — External personnel — OIB

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
35 599 000	35 599 000	35 599 000	36 356 000	36 356 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the Office's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external personnel and agency staff,

— personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting and the supply of intellectual services,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	5 641 014 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

SEC3 Item O4 01 02 02 — External personnel — Childcare facilities

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
13 213 000	13 213 000	13 213 000	13 573 000	13 573 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the Office's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external personnel and agency staff,

— personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting and the supply of intellectual services,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	8 000 000 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

SEC3 Item O5 01 01 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
13 584 040	13 584 040	13 584 040	13 834 040	13 834 040

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

SEC3 Item O5 01 01 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
92 000	92 000	92 000	93 000	93 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transferring to another place of employment,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— removal expenses due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

SEC3 Item O5 01 02 01 — External personnel — OIL

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
9 993 344	9 993 344	9 993 344	10 172 344	10 172 344

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the Office's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external personnel and agency staff,

— personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting, supplementary assistance and the supply of intellectual services,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	1 321 796 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

SEC3 Item O5 01 02 02 — External personnel — Childcare facilities

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
3 793 000	3 793 000	3 793 000	3 831 000	3 831 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the Office's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external personnel and agency staff,

— personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting, supplementary assistance and the supply of intellectual services,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Additional appropriations

Assigned revenue (origin, estimated amounts and corresponding article or item of the statement of revenue).

Other assigned revenue	957 000 3 2 0 2

Legal basis

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

SEC3 Item O6 01 01 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
53 756 224	53 756 224	54 268 224	54 754 224	54 754 224

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,

— accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,

— unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments by the Office to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,

— miscellaneous allowances and grants,

— the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

SEC3 Item O6 01 01 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
365 000	365 000	365 000	371 000	371 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover, in respect of officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

— travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the service or transferring to another place of employment,

— installation and resettlement allowances due to officials and temporary staff being obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,

— removal expenses due to officials and temporary staff being obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transferring to a new place of employment and on leaving the service and resettling elsewhere.

SEC3 Article O6 01 02 — External personnel

Draft budget	Council's position	Parliament's position	Revised Draft Budget	Conciliation
3 334 000	3 334 000	3 334 000	3 347 000	3 347 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

— the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), including the staff made available to the secretariat of the Supervisory Committee, the Office's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

— expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external staff and agency staff,

— personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting,

— the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,

— the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

SEC3 Item PP 02 26 03 — Pilot project — Integrated Surveillance mechanism: Regional Cable hubs

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	985 000	p.m.	985 000	4 000 000	2 985 000	p.m.	985 000	4 000 000	1 985 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the pilot project.

Communication cables connect several Member States to one another, link islands to the Union mainland, and connect the Union to the rest of the world, carrying 99 % of inter-continental internet traffic. Subsea electricity cables facilitate the integration of Member States' electricity markets, strengthen their security of supply, and deliver offshore renewable energy to the mainland.

There are increasing concerns among European governments over the incidents affecting submarine cables. Europe is currently on high alert after a series of outages to cables and pipelines. In February 2025, President von der Leyen introduced the Joint Communication to strengthen the security and resilience of submarine cables. The main message is that the security of the Union's submarine cable infrastructure must be significantly enhanced. The Joint communication presents strong actions in a whole resilience cycle approach: prevent, detect, respond and repair, and deter.

Today in the Union there is no capacity to effectively monitor all the dimensions of the threats surrounding submarine cables and create a single and integrated situational picture at sea basin level. When an incident occurs, the Union must increase its capacity to respond in a coordinated way and in solidarity with the Member State most affected. To be able to issue early alerts, it is essential to make several systems work together, fusing data available at Union and national level.

This pilot project would assess the feasibility of setting up a platform for communication and early warning mechanism among the Member States to coordinate through the whole resilience cycle. It would also explore and test concepts such as coordination models, detection approaches, or response mechanisms through a range of preparatory and exploratory activities with an aim for Member States to enhance the security of undersea cables.

The pilot project of Regional Cable hubs should include the following elements: meaningfully map existing capacities, identify technology or cooperation needs, outline possible governance models, or explore cost and procurement modalities, including in areas such as surveillance tools, incident-reporting mechanisms, partnerships with private or defence actors, or coordination platforms.

Given the fact that the cyber-attacks, including on the critical undersea infrastructure will continue into the future, it is important to explore a more coordinated response. At this initial stage, the pilot project would fund testing of concepts such as coordination models, detection approaches, or response mechanisms through a range of preparatory and exploratory activities focused on setting up a structured communication and response platform for Regional Cable hubs - one per sea basin.

In this phase, the pilot project would test advanced AI powered software for command and control (C2) for Regional Cable Hubs. In particular, it would demonstrate how autonomous assets could be integrated into surveillance, monitoring, detection and response capacities, going beyond the situational awareness to assess how AI can support interpretation, prioritisation and coordination of cable-security events. This would include piloting capabilities for multi-source data integration, real-time processing and visualisation, pattern recognition and anomaly detection, based on cable-related data, maritime and space-based surveillance, autonomous inspection outputs and, where relevant, drone-related detection and threat information for associated critical infrastructure such as landing stations or terrestrial routes.

SEC3 Article PP 02 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PP 02 27 01 — Pilot project — Competitive and resilient EU aviation value chains

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				3 000 000	1 500 000			3 000 000	750 000

Remarks

I. Rationale

The long-term resilience and competitiveness of the entire civil, including dual use, European aviation value chain – from raw and advanced materials and components, through infrastructure and technologies, to deployment and operations – is fundamental to securing the prosperity of the sector, preserving high value industrial and technological leadership in Europe, and achieving genuine strategic autonomy. A secure, forward looking and competitiveness oriented monitoring framework for the de-risked aviation value chains is imperative to improve real time responses to trade weaponisation, to anticipate and counter distortive practices by global competitors, and to facilitate strategic planning and risk mitigation. This involves considering internal strengths, capacity building, diversification, and active collaboration through industrial monitoring support to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the European value chain dynamics and ecosystem to reinforce Europe’s position in global value chains.

To enhance proactive detection, anticipation, monitoring and reactive response mechanisms for Union vulnerabilities within the value chains in aviation, including robust industrial monitoring support, the pilot project would develop a concept to cover the below objectives. The pilot project should cover bottlenecks and vulnerabilities and response mechanisms to de-risk for the entire aviation value chains in a comprehensive manner, from raw and advanced material and components,

through infrastructure and technologies, to deployment and operations in all main areas of aviation ecosystem with the special focus on aeronautics.

Objectives include:

1. Develop a robust model for performing continuous and proactive monitoring of the aviation value chain to systematically identify bottlenecks and dependencies concerning components and materials, including those necessary for aeronautical products and parts. This should include an analysis of critical links and potential points of failure within the value chain, particularly where strategic dependencies could weaken Europe's competitive position or be exploited by third countries, while also identifying emerging market and technological opportunities that can enhance the EU's competitiveness.

2. Develop a comprehensive map of the aviation value chains within the Union. This map should illustrate the flow of materials, components, technologies, interconnections, and dependencies and gaps, highlighting areas vulnerable to disruption and opportunities for diversification, reshoring, and innovation that can strengthen Europe's industrial base and competitive edge in the global aviation ecosystem.

3. Develop a thorough risk assessment framework to evaluate and prioritise risks within the value chain. The framework should focus on assessing the potential impact, likelihood of occurrence, and the capacity for mitigation, thereby informing decision-making to safeguard critical capabilities, avoid strategic dependencies, and support long term competitive resilience.

4. Develop solutions to de-risk identified vulnerabilities and bottlenecks with various measures, including monitoring, stockpiling, trade diversification, investments into European production, and support measures, such as foreign direct investments monitoring, export controls policies and public procurement.

The pilot project will estimate the resources and competencies required for the Union to effectively carry out these responsibilities in a systematic manner and links and synergies with other relevant EU, national and industrial initiatives carried out in other sectors. This should encompass a detailed analysis of existing capabilities, identifying gaps, and proposing strategic investments in skill building and resource allocation, as key enablers of a resilient and globally competitive European aviation ecosystem.

The initiative would support shaping the future EU Strategy for Aviation and contribute to the implementation of the EU Economic Security Strategy, Sustainable Transport Investment Plan and Military Mobility Action Plan.

II. Strategic Objectives

The initiative would contribute to following strategic EU objectives.

— Increasing European competitiveness: the pilot project would enhance the competitiveness of the European aviation value chain by developing a continuous, forward-looking monitoring model that identifies bottlenecks, strategic dependencies and emerging opportunities;

— Improving EU resilience: the pilot project would strengthen the resilience of the European aviation ecosystem by developing a robust risk assessment framework across the value chain;

— Strengthening EU strategic autonomy: the pilot project would reinforce EU strategic autonomy by enabling more independent, strategic decision-making in aviation.

III. Expected Impact

The initiative would:

— Strengthen European industrial leadership and resilience;

— Support competitive European ecosystem;

— Reinforce EU strategic autonomy and technological sovereignty.

SEC3 Item PP 02 27 02 — Pilot project — EU Commons-Based Moderation Platform

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				3 000 000	1 500 000			3 000 000	750 000

Remarks

Currently the need to provide content moderation is a major entry barrier for creating European social media platforms or apps. Ensuring consistent, lawful, and community-aligned moderation is complex, costly and can place a heavy burden on all but the largest companies. Most startups and new app developers lack the resources or infrastructure to handle nuanced, legally compliant moderation and few wish to take on the risk that their platform may unwillingly end up hosting highly illegal content like CSAM (Child Sexual Abuse Material) or other content illegal in the EU.

This pilot project would provide a suite of infrastructural services that offer content moderation capabilities that can be composed together flexibly. This suite would comprise both moderation services for strictly illegal content (such as CSAM or terrorist content), since newly created social app makers are in need of such services, as well as tools to operate opt-in moderation for specific topics. The deliverable therefore includes:

— A fully-functional system for the detection and removal of illegal content that can be integrated into social apps in a protocol-agnostic way (Atmosphere, Fediverse). This includes both the technical and legal aspects involved in providing such infrastructure. The primary users for this infrastructure are social app makers who want to operate without having to worry about illegal content.

— General infrastructure which other actors can build upon to run content moderation services, including detection pipeline, reporting, workload distribution, audits, and appeals. The users of this infrastructure are apps that want to offer content moderation according to their own rules (not just for illegal content), civil society organisations that wish to provider content moderation sources for people and apps to subscribe to (e.g. FIMI mitigation), and end-users who can access a much broader universe of content moderation providers than what they currently have.

Core Features:

— Labelling Service: applies standardized, signed moderation labels (e.g., sexually explicit) that users and services can rely on for content moderation decisions

— Geo-Specific Moderation: enables location-based content filtering to comply with local laws (e.g., complying with German hate speech laws).

— Use case and interest-based moderation: additional layers of moderation for interest-based apps and services (e.g. research and science focused, social platforms designed for young people, professional networking platforms, etc.).

— Removes unlawful content: such as CSAM and terrorist content.

— Transparency and User Control: apps have transparent moderation policies and can give users the ability to choose their own moderation preferences.

— Solves the ‘Free Speech’ vs Moderation Tension: with users in control of moderation (beyond the minimum legally required), choice is with the individual. This takes care of strictly unlawful content while enabling moderation pluralism.

— Open-source software: All code developed under this pilot project would be delivered as open source, however, some parts of the system may have to be semi-closed for legal reasons (e.g. lists of CSAM content identifiers).

DSA Compliance Enablement

Albeit not the primary objective of the pilot project, the suite would also enable:

— Illegal content filtering, moderation traceability, and policy transparency;

— Supports user appeals mechanisms and notice display.

Governance

The suite of infrastructural services shall be operated by a cooperative of its stakeholders, with golden shares held by a small group of initial entities to prevent resale and ensure that the system is stewarded in line with its core mission.

SEC3 Item PP 02 27 03 — Pilot project — European Network of Regional Centres of Excellence for Aviation, Drones and Military Mobility

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks

1. Rationale

Europe's aviation industry is a strategic industrial ecosystem, supporting high-value manufacturing, advanced technologies, and skilled employment across the Union. Maintaining global leadership requires accelerating the deployment and scaling-up of next-generation aviation technologies, including zero-emission aircraft, next generation ATM and digital aviation systems, and advanced air mobility.

The transition towards competitive and climate-neutral aviation, as well as the increasing importance of dual-use technologies require stronger coordination between civil aviation, defence needs, and emerging new types of aircraft ecosystems. Military spending often drives breakthrough innovations that later benefit civilian aviation and other industrial sectors, making close civil–defence integration crucial for technological advancement.

A major challenge is that promising new technologies, often initially funded by Horizon Europe, fail to successfully enter the market. Without follow-up support for testing, demonstration and operational deployment, these innovations risk being sold to third countries instead of benefiting European industrial base. Coordinated Union support is essential to ensure deployment pathways are streamlined, enabling technologies to move from research to operational use within Europe.

Currently, Europe lacks a coordinated approach to inter- regional ecosystems to test, deploy, and scale innovative aviation technologies and services in operational environments, while ensuring regulatory compliance and certification.

To address this gap, the EU should establish a pilot initiative, examining the conditions for launching a collaborative network of Regional Centres of Excellence for Aviation, Drones, and Military Mobility, complementing inter alia the Alliance for Zero Emission Aviation. These centres would act as regional deployment hubs supporting the aviation industry, facilitating cooperation between the European Commission, EASA, national and regional authorities, research, aeronautics, aviation and defence actors.

The pilot initiative should address at least the following areas:

— Concrete use cases and operational and framework bottlenecks when moving from prototype to market.

— Conditions for real-world environments needed to enable large-scale testing and deployment.

— Regulatory tasks that slow deployment and identification of how regional centres could provide targeted support.

— The role of regional centres as neutral coordinators for the aviation ecosystem participates to develop and trial new concepts of operations, while supporting workforce training in new operational skills.

— Core services that future regional centres could support, directly linked to accelerating industrial uptake of new aviation and dual-use technologies in Europe.

The initiative would support the implementation of the Sustainable Transport Investment Plan and Military Mobility Package, while aligning with the European Competitiveness Fund objectives, bridging the gap between innovation, certification, and operational deployment in Europe. It should also help to shape the future EU Strategy for Aviation and Aeronautics.

2. Strategic Objectives

The initiative would contribute to the following strategic EU objectives;

2.1. Increasing European competitiveness

The network would strengthen Europe's position as a global leader in aviation and aeronautics by accelerating the deployment and industrial uptake of next-generation aviation technologies.

By facilitating real-world deployment environments, the centres would reduce the gap between innovation, certification and market entry, enabling European companies to remain globally competitive.

2.2. Improving EU resilience

The network would strengthen the resilience of the European aviation ecosystem by reinforcing industrial capabilities and supply chains located within the Union.

This distributed network would ensure that critical technological capabilities are maintained within Europe, reducing dependencies on external suppliers.

2.3. Strengthening EU strategic autonomy

The initiative would reinforce Europe's strategic autonomy in critical aviation technologies.

By linking industrial ecosystems, regulatory authorities and infrastructure operators, the initiative would create an enabling environment for European aviation technologies to scale rapidly across the EU.

3. Military Mobility

A dedicated component focusing on military mobility and dual-use aviation infrastructure would ensure that aviation technologies and infrastructure can support both civilian and defence operations. The centres would support cooperation between civil aviation authorities, defence actors, and industry.

This approach leverages defence-driven technological breakthroughs to strengthen civilian aviation capabilities and European industrial leadership.

4. Drones and Advanced Air Mobility

Drones and advanced air mobility are expected to become an important industrial and technological sector within the aviation ecosystem.

This component would strengthen Europe's competitiveness in the global drone market while ensuring strategic autonomy in unmanned aviation systems.

5. Expected Impact

The initiative would:

— Accelerate deployment of next-generation aviation technologies;

— Strengthen European industrial leadership and resilience;

— Ensure operational deployment of Horizon-funded innovations within Europe;

— Support emergence of a competitive European ecosystem for new emerging types of innovative aircraft;

— Enhance military mobility and dual-use capabilities;

— Reinforce EU strategic autonomy and technological sovereignty.

SEC3 Item PP 02 27 04 — Pilot project — Machine-readable and standardised licenses and AI

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				500 000	250 000			500 000	125 000

Remarks

The pilot project aims to support the development and testing of machine-readable mechanisms for the reservation of rights and licensing of copyright-protected content for use for AI training, with a particular focus on improving the practical functioning of the Text and Data Mining (TDM) opt-out mechanism under Directive (EU) 2019/790. The objective is to ensure legal certainty for both AI providers and rights holders, to simplify copyright compliance, to enable right holders to effectively exclude the use of their works from AI training when so desired, to facilitate lawful access to protected works where licences are granted, and ensure appropriate remuneration for rights holders, and enable right holders to effectively exclude the use of their works from AI training when so desired. The project will foster the wider adoption of interoperable machine-readable solutions, taking into account the specificities of different sectors and industry practices. As an experimental pilot, it will test the feasibility and usefulness of concrete use cases, such as standardised metadata, rights expression formats and machine-readable licensing or opt-out tools. To ensure consistency and impact, this project will build on and complement parallel initiatives at EU level, including the EUIPO relevant studies and the Commission study on the feasibility of a TDM opt-out registry.

SEC3 Item PP 02 27 05 — Pilot project — Prepare and test application of EU road tolling systems for varying toll tariffs according to the separate CO2 performance of lorries and trailers and according to retrofit improvements

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 000 000	1 000 000			2 000 000	500 000

Remarks

The Eurovignette directive aims at internalising the external costs of road transport while promoting the renewal of the fleet towards cleaner vehicles through the application of lower tolls. As the potential of trailer efficiency improvements becomes increasingly attainable and cost-effective and EU legislation in other fields evolves – for example the VECTO Regulation (EU) 2017/2400 for determining CO2 emissions heavy-duty motor vehicles as well as the heavy-duty vehicle CO2

Standards Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 – the legislation on tolling requires updates. In the 2025 proposed update by the Commission, the efficiency of trailers was included among the criteria used to set toll tariffs. The objective was to encourage the uptake of modern trailers with aerodynamic designs and other technologies like so-called e-Trailers that improve the efficiency of vehicle-trailer combinations substantially and thus decreasing their fuel consumption and their environmental impact. However, in real-world operations the motor vehicle may switch trailers very frequently. Each switch will bring a different combination of vehicle and trailer and calculating the impact is vital to apply effective tolls.

The technical solutions for implementing the real-time recognition by tolling providers of the trailers used in combination with HGVs is complex and a pilot project to develop and test the most promising solutions would be timely and welcome.

The VECTO trailer simulation tool is already established under Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1362 and allows to simulate the effect of each new trailer on the CO2 emissions of the vehicle combination and also to certify them in the manufacturer's records file and the customer information file. This pilot project would explore how to combine the existing VECTO tool with the tolling systems in the EU, try and test their application to practically enable the already proposed inclusion of trailers into tolling systems in the EU. The emission performance of both motor vehicles and trailers making up vehicle combinations travelling on tolled roads must be identified separately and recorded with minimal effort by the transport operator and ideally automatically. The upgrade of equipment in existing vehicles (such as on board units) and infrastructure to collect tolls should also be minimal. Furthermore, the pilot project should cover retrofit improvements to support the emission reduction of the existing fleet of lorries and trailers, such as the installation of aerodynamic devices. The retrofit improvement options are multiple and retrofit changes are not registered in a harmonised way in vehicle documents. The current directive does not cater for changes to vehicles after their first registration. A common Union framework is needed for considering emission performance improvements achieved through retrofitting in toll variations.

SEC3 Item PP 03 26 02 — Pilot project — Promoting financial literacy in the Union

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	1 875 000	p.m.	1 875 000	2 500 000	3 125 000	p.m.	1 875 000	2 500 000	2 500 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the pilot project.

The aim of the pilot project is to assess the viability of a novel programme to fund initiatives that specifically empower citizens to improve their capacity to make sound judgments on investment (to be 'investment-savvy'). This aligns with the Commission's communication on Savings and Investments Union Strategy of 19th March 2025 (SIU Communication). It seeks to explore novel approaches to address a critical gap that cannot currently be addressed by existing Union programmes. The objective of this pilot project is to develop innovative approaches that extend beyond the scope of the current Single Market Programme, Erasmus+, and the European Social Fund+, and to test the feasibility and usefulness of such approaches which could be further developed through an extension or revision of these programmes under the next MFF.

The pilot project would fill a gap by targeting the improvement of the investment capabilities of Union citizens, thereby focusing on enhancing the investment 'savviness' of the general population and increasing retail participation in capital markets. No existing Union programmes specifically focus on increasing the participation of Union citizens in capital markets and ensuring that those who wish to participate are empowered to make sound and informed decisions.

— Erasmus+ focuses on improving education and cooperation in educational matters, including lifelong learning and youth engagement. Although Erasmus+ supports educational initiatives, it does not target financial literacy related to investment skills. Its broad educational agenda lacks a specialised focus on equipping citizens with the knowledge and skills required to navigate and invest in capital markets confidently.

— The European Social Fund+ aims to promote social inclusion and supports vulnerable groups such as low-income and unemployed individuals. While ESF+ addresses social and economic inclusion, it does not provide for targeted initiatives for developing investment savviness among the general population. Its focus on social support and employment does not extend to fostering an understanding of investment products or the benefits of participating in capital markets.

— Finally, the SMP primarily addresses consumer education, ensuring that citizens are informed about their rights and responsibilities as consumers of financial services. While the SMP fosters consumer awareness, it does not aim to enhance citizens' capabilities to actively participate in capital markets as investors.

This pilot project is uniquely positioned to fill the gap by offering targeted awareness-raising and guidance on investment literacy. Unlike existing programmes, it focuses on enhancing citizens' understanding of investment opportunities, risks, and benefits, promoting active participation in capital markets. It would focus on issues such as the costs and performance of financial products, guidance and the role of intermediaries.

The pilot project would also test innovative ways to explain the risks and rewards of investing (including financial risks, scams and fraud, etc) and thereby encourage consumers to invest responsibly and participate in capital markets taking into consideration the complexity and increased digitalisation of financial markets and products (e.g. crypto assets, non-fungible tokens, etc.).

The pilot project would target specific national contexts, and therefore not mandate transnational cooperation, thereby going beyond the scope of other Commission programmes such as ESF + and Erasmus + (including its social innovation track ‘EASI’).

In addition to directly supporting the improvement of investment financial literacy, the pilot project could also test ways to increase the impact of organisations working towards the protection of retail investors, including consumer organisations, investors or shareholder associations, or financial authorities.

The innovative approach could be ensured by the following initiatives:

1. Investment awareness-raising and guidance:

— developing tailored educational programmes, initiatives and websites focusing on investment knowledge, including basic financial products, the role of intermediaries, and understanding risks and rewards associated with investments;

— emphasising digital financial products like crypto assets and non-fungible tokens to adapt to the increasingly digital landscape of financial markets.

2. Investment literacy ambassadors:

— establishing and maintaining a network of well-qualified ‘investment literacy ambassadors’ across all 27 Member States; these public figures would advocate for investment literacy, and engage with the public through various channels, including mainstream media (TV, radio, newspapers, etc.);

— supporting ambassadors with resources to cover their pro bono work, including communication and awareness-raising activities, such the preparation of thematic materials on investment literacy and awareness used in their advocacy work.

3. Community engagement

— encouraging collaboration with and support for Member State authorities, municipalities consumer organisations, as well as employer and worker representatives to ensure tailored investment literacy and awareness programmes and investment guidance; this would exclude transnational requirements to focus on localised impact and relevance.

SEC3 Item PP 04 26 01 — Pilot project — EU Search and Rescue (SAR) 2.0

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	300 000	p.m.	300 000	500 000	550 000	p.m.	300 000	500 000	425 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the pilot project.

The European Union Search and Rescue (SAR)/Galileo service, a major contributor to the worldwide public SAR service Cospas-Sarsat, has a long track record of success in detecting and locating people in distress. However, the rise of private companies who offer or may offer private emergency alerting notifications poses both challenges and opportunities for SAR/Galileo and the Cospas-Sarsat system.

The current geopolitical context and the management structure of Cospas-Sarsat (USA, CAN, RUS, FR) highlight the need to explore new approaches and broaden the perspective on SAR/Galileo services. Private companies are increasingly interfacing with Rescue Coordination Centres (RCCs), which are often public entities or non-profit organizations, to provide alerting services. However, this multiplication of inputs generates hurdles for RCCs in managing these alerts, underscoring the necessity of a more coordinated approach. Moreover, private actors may not offer long-term stability, as they can be shut down for economic or political reasons, which could compromise the continuity or quality/efficiency of SAR services.

In response to these evolution trends, the Commission should propose an evolutive approach to SAR services. Firstly, it will maintain its commitment to Cospas-Sarsat at the current level, ensuring legacy support while introducing new features like Remote Beacon Activation (RBA), Two Way Communication (TWC), etc. in a complementary (to Cospas-Sarsat) set-up. This approach would enable the Union to continue supporting the existing Cospas-Sarsat system while avoiding significant investments needed to promote and standardise evolutions within the Cospas-Sarsat system.

In parallel, the Commission should explore new concepts for a truly European Search and Rescue service, in collaboration with the Member States (and states associated to the Galileo program). This service would be global in scope and could incorporate new features, such as enhanced multilateral (many to many) communication channels, improved distress detection and localization, and expanded user segments.

By developing a comprehensive EU SAR ecosystem, building on existing Union initiatives and programs such as SAR/Galileo and SafeSeaNet, the Union can facilitate the seamless integration of diverse emergency notification services, striking a balance between cooperation with private actors and the exploration of innovative solutions. This endeavour aims to benefit Union citizens and SAR responders, ultimately saving lives and reducing the impact of crises.

The Union should also foster a culture of collaboration by sharing its new SAR services with reliable, like-minded international partners, to ensure a coordinated and effective global SAR response.

SEC3 Article PP 04 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PP 04 27 01 — Pilot project — EU Alert - tools for the future EU citizen alert mobile app

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks

The Niinistö report puts forward the concept of a Europe-wide citizen alert app, which would not only strengthen individual and collective resilience to crises, but also embody the principles of solidarity and cooperation that are central to European integration project, ensuring the safety and well-being of all who live in or visit the EU.

The Preparedness Union Strategy stresses the need to improve EU-wide public-warning crisis communication systems, both before (risk communication) and during crises (crisis communication), in order to reach all people under all circumstances and regardless of age, language, disabilities, legal status, etc. It also suggests using the EU Digital Identity Wallet to communicate alert-related information to citizens.

With natural disasters having increased and differentiated impacts on human safety, the pilot project will explore and test tools allowing civil protection authorities to convey extra information to citizens in case of alert. Such extra information complementing the alert will include:

— Accessibility methods for vulnerable people (disable, young/elderly, tourists, foreigners, non-native language, etc);

— Local evacuation plans and routes, or nearest shelter or hospital, when these are communicated by national authorities in the alerts;

— Behavioural recommendation to follow in case of an alert, standard precautions, do’s & don’ts;

— Awareness of special needs for vulnerable/distressed people, location of nearby elderly/nursery homes;

— Information regarding state of alert in Areas of interest (like friends’ or family’s places);

— First aid principles.

The objective of the pilot project is designing, developing and testing the methods and advanced functions, possibly using innovative AI techniques, that will bring this extra information at the level of the citizens, through tailored alerts, taking into account their context and surroundings. These advanced functionalities will be made available to Member States to adopt and integrate in their existing alert app and services, where available, and could be further developed into an open source EU-wide citizen alert mobile app.

The mobile alert app that is developed by the Galileo programme for the Emergency Warning Satellite Service may be used as an open-source proof of concept to embed and demonstrate these new functions, and to collect feedback from EU Member States before deciding to implement in future software releases.

The pilot project will also analyse how the EU Digital Identity Wallet could be enabled with a public warning functionality and/or used to tailor the alert to the profile of the recipient, based on the

information that will be made available through it. It will explore synergies between the two concepts (identity app and alert app) and identify limitations.

SEC3 Article PP 06 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PP 06 27 01 — Pilot project — The Case Navigator

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 500 000	1 250 000			2 500 000	625 000

Remarks

1. Summary

This pilot project aims to address unequal access to care for children and adolescents with cancer who need complex treatment unavailable in their home countries, by:

— testing a dedicated Case Navigator Mechanism to support families end-to-end, from diagnosis and referral through travel, treatment, follow-up, and return home; and

— establishing cross-border patient pathways for those children and adolescents.

If implemented successfully, the pilot project can build the case for sustainable EU and national recognition, coordination, funding, and long-term uptake at scale of the Case Navigator Mechanism.

The project’s focus is on childhood cancers because these conditions comprise many distinct, often ultra-rare subtypes; care is acutely time-critical; the required expertise is concentrated in a small number of treatment centres, making cross-border access a structural necessity rather than an exception.

2. Background

Despite the EU cross-border healthcare framework, children and adolescent cancer patients and their carers still face major barriers when seeking treatment: the required specialised interventions (e.g. proton therapy, complex surgery) are not available in all Member States; authorisation and reimbursement procedures for cross-border treatment, including the S2, are complex and inconsistently applied; language and health-literacy barriers make the system hard to navigate; out-of-pocket travel and accommodation costs deter families even where clinical access exists; and diverging interpretations of standard versus experimental care restrict access to innovative treatments, including early-phase clinical trials.

3. Added value

The pilot project complements existing EU structures while filling the gaps they leave. It bridges the divide between the National Contact Points' (NCP) informational role and patients' need for end-to-end case management, documented in the Commission's three reports on the Cross-border Healthcare Directive (2015-2022); it works bottom-up with the individual family where the JARDIN Joint Action works top-down at system level and finances no carers' costs; and it includes access to clinical trials and experimental therapies, unaddressed by current legislation, in the pathway where clinically recommended. In doing so it connects and completes existing structures, rather than duplicating them, and generates per-case cost and outcome evidence that can inform a future European-level instrument, whether an enlarged interpretation of the S2 route or a dedicated financing mechanism, extending equitable access to all patients needing cross-border healthcare.

4. Implementing entity

The pilot project can be implemented by a group of cancer patient organizations and medical societies with a strong footprint across the EU, in close cooperation with appropriate European Reference Networks (ERNs). It is recommended that the implementing entity has proven experience working with the childhood cancer patient community.

The implementing entity will be responsible for raising awareness of the support available to patients under this project by informing appropriate ERNs about the types of assistance it can provide, enabling healthcare professionals within the networks to communicate this information to eligible patients, and promoting the available support to the wider public through its own communication channels and by informing the relevant NCPs.

All communications will clearly set out the eligibility criteria, which will be developed in consultation with the appropriate ERNs.

5. Activities

The activities envisaged under this pilot project are both operational and analytical, ensuring that the final written outputs of the project are evidence-based. The project centres on the deployment of the Case Navigator Mechanism and recommendations on how to integrate the lessons learned from this deployment to strengthen the implementation of the cross-border healthcare legislation.

Specifically, the activities are:

— A stakeholder mapping exercise (e.g. consultations, interviews) conducted by the implementing entity, which will capture the realities and bilateral arrangements around cross-border care and research delivery in different Member States and determine how pathway-specific Case Navigator support (including financial assistance mechanisms) can be best implemented.

— Embedding Case Navigators within the relevant ERNs which already run tumour boards and have a referral culture. The Case Navigator will fulfil the following functions:

  (i) guiding families through bureaucratic, logistical and administrative procedures (including S2 form applications and engagement with National Contact Points);

  (ii) liaising with the relevant ERNs clinical networks to facilitate referrals and participation in European tumour boards, through which the need for standard-of-care treatment, clinical trial or experimental therapy may be identified; and

  (iii) ensuring integration with the existing medical expert advisory function.

  Thus, the Case Navigator will fill the gap between the informational role of the NCPs and the patients' needs for end-to-end case management.

— Assisting patients and their carers with their travel arrangements and expenses directly linked to cross-border treatment, namely transportation, accommodation arrangements, and meals. Expenses from this budget line are made only for patients' travel related to treatment, so that the project never finances treatment in the receiving country and respects national competences. The travel expenses of the Case Managers, should they need to accompany the patient and their carers to the place of treatment, for example where the carers speak neither the language of the country of treatment or English, would also be covered. These costs would be covered through a clearly defined budget line in the pilot project's appropriations. The implementing entity will ensure the responsible and transparent administration of these travel-related expenses by verifying eligibility of patients and maintaining financial records per the project's accountability framework. Through this activity, the pilot project will generate the first structured evidence on the scale of these costs and insights into viable sustainable-financing models (e.g. extension of national reimbursement, ERN operating grants, etc.).

— Setting-up a well-configured GDPR-compliant CRM, to register, track and coordinate the families enrolled in the pilot programme. The CRM will also include a financial tracking module to log fund allocations, expenditure per family, and remaining balances in real time.

— Producing three publicly available materials:

(i) a plain-language, multilingual guide for families on cross-border care pathways, S2 procedures and available support;

(ii) a public evaluation report with evidence-based recommendations to the Commission, including on strengthening the integration of ERNs into national healthcare systems and on the interaction between Case Navigators and NCPs; and

(iii) an operating manual for the Case Navigator function, designed to be transferable to other rare disease groups and ERNs.

6. Target group

This pilot project is designed to facilitate access for approximately 100 patients (children and adolescents) to high-quality care and innovative therapies in the first year of implementation.

The patients should come from a select number of Member States which can be determined based on the latest data from OECD EU Country Cancer Profiles, Eurostat, European Semester CSRs, etc, using criteria such as:

— GDP per capita below the 90% EU average,

— paediatric cancer mortality,

— childhood cancer survival gap,

— availability of paediatric treatment modalities,

— absence of domestic capacity for the needed specialised intervention,

— access to paediatric clinical trials,

— maturity of national integration into the relevant ERNs,

— outbound cross-border referral volumes,

— clinical criteria: diagnosis, clinical urgency.

7. Budget

The implementing entity should be responsible for submitting a detailed budget correlated with the planned activities.

8. Impact

The pilot project is expected to deliver measurable impact at three levels.

For patients and their carers, it improves timely and equitable access to high-quality care, while removing the financial and administrative obstacles.

For Member States and the EU, it demonstrates, on the basis of verified data, how a navigator function shortens referral times, enables full usage of life-saving cross-border healthcare pathways and reduces the out-of-pocket burden borne by families/carers.

Finally, for EU policy-making, it produces an evidence base to inform the strengthening the cross-border healthcare legislation, the role of the NCPs and the integration of the ERNs into national systems.

9. Sustainability

The evidence generated is intended to support the recognition and sustainable financing of navigator pathways at EU and national level, for instance through Member States contracting navigator services on a permanent basis or through ERN funding that rewards the inclusion of case navigation, and to inform the post-2027 discussion on integrating the ERNs into national healthcare systems. The pilot project is thus not a stand-alone intervention but the first step of a scalable mechanism, whose evidenced costs can justify a preparatory action and, ultimately, a durable financing solution sized for all intended beneficiaries.

10. Risk mitigation

The pilot project operates entirely within the existing EU legal framework and the ERN structure. It creates no new entitlements or obligations and does not interfere with national competences; it helps patients and authorities use existing rights fully and in time. The main risks are addressed as follows:

— refusal or delay of access to treatment: the pilot project uses the S2 procedure as its principal pathway, with the Case Navigator preparing complete authorisation files that reduce delays and the burden on competent institutions.

— non-acceptance by the receiving centre: referrals are made mainly by ERN doctors, among whom the receiving centres' own clinicians participate, so each referral already carries the receiving centre's clinical agreement; funds are committed only once the centre confirms acceptance.

— financial exposure of families: advance bookings instead of reimbursement, per-family ceilings and real-time tracking; funds cover only ancillary costs (transport, accommodation, subsistence) and never substitute for national coverage.

Each measure serves all parties: timely access for the patient, no financial risk for families or receiving hospitals, and full decision-making power retained by national authorities.

SEC3 Item PP 07 26 02 — Pilot project — Smart Social Economy Model in Tourism (Long-Distance Trails)

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	450 000	p.m.	450 000	250 000	575 000	p.m.	450 000	250 000	512 500

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the pilot project.

This pilot project aims to explore the viability and social adoption of actions designed to integrate social economy principles into tourism while simultaneously promoting local communities, European values and traditions, and sustainable businesses, and reducing the gap between urban and rural areas. The pilot project will take place in various regions across Europe, including sites of exceptional cultural and natural heritage, also aiming to increase the capacity of territorial communities at European level, while using the experience of existing long-distance tourist trails. More specifically, the pilot project looks in a systemic and forward-looking way to use the tourism potential of regions by promoting sustainable tourism and social economy principles in alignment with societal needs, technological advancements and Union strategies.

While long-distance trails already exist within the Union, their principles and capacity have not been systematically integrated into Union policy frameworks and funds, nor tailored to smart social economy models in a structured and replicable way. European long-distance tourist trails exist in different countries across the Union, including Spain (Camino de Santiago), Portugal (Rota Vicentina), Italy (Via Francigena), Greece (Menalon Trail), Romania (Via Transilvanica) and

Slovenia (Juliana Trail). Within this context, this pilot project aims to explore and test the economic and social potential of various long-distance trail models across different Union regions.

This pilot project aims to develop the pan-European dimension of the social economy through an integrated, bottom-up approach, based on real-life, measurable community experiences of long-distance tourist trails. The pilot project centres on value chains that retain economic benefits within rural communities, fostering inclusive growth. By aligning rural hospitality providers with sustainable practices, the pilot project strengthens value chains to ensure transparency, social impact, and long- term community resilience. Designed as a pan-European blueprint, the model integrates Union frameworks and facilitates transnational knowledge exchange to replicate success across Europe.

To achieve its objectives, the pilot project will develop digital solutions to assess the feasibility of a future pan-European platform and mobile application designed to serve all European regions connected by long-distance tourist trails. These solutions will leverage real-life experiences of the social economy model by fostering collaboration among local communities, social enterprises and sustainable tourism actors. In addition, the pilot project will identify and leverage successful grassroots initiatives, knowledge, and social economy networks already in place within specific regions. These will be scaled and replicated in other areas through a structured process of knowledge exchange, peer learning, and capacity-building.

The pilot project will provide relevant users with comprehensive trail information, real-time updates, community-driven content, trainings, Union competitions, investments opportunities, events and tools to support the development of a pan- European smart social economic model.

Lessons learned from this pilot project will support the platform's expansion to other European long-distance trails and regions, ensuring a scalable, bottom-up approach rooted in local development. To strengthen this capacity at the European level, the platform will provide local-trail capacity-building trainings, and trial a Union Award for the best long-distance tourist trails, activities, and projects. The pilot project will thus support rural social entrepreneurs through training, peer-to-peer learning, and mentoring initiatives. By combining training, local pilot actions, knowledge transfer, and digital innovation, the pilot project empowers communities to design inclusive tourism services, strengthen social enterprises, and drive sustainable local economic growth.

To achieve the mentioned objectives, the pilot project will conduct qualitative and quantitative research, launch and implement a pilot across the different Union regions, create a European digital platform and mobile application, trial a Union Award for the best long-distance tourist trail, activities and projects.

— Phase 1: Research. During this phase, qualitative and quantitative research will be conducted to assess the needs of European long-distance tourist trails, but also strengths and weaknesses from a smart social economy perspective. This will be complemented by a collection of storytelling pieces from local citizens and stakeholders, and an analysis of already existing social economy practices among them.

— Phase 2: Launch and implement pilot actions across Union regions, using the available local capacity. This phase will test local approaches to community engagement, social enterprise support, and tourism services in a real-world setting.

— Phase 3: Digital Platform & App Development. This phase will develop digital pilot tools to test the feasibility and relevance of a future pan-European platform and mobile application designed to serve all European regions connected by long-distance tourist trails, including local-trail capacity-building trainings.

— Phase 4: Promotion & Community Engagement. A Union Award will be trialled for the best long-distance tourist trails, activities, and projects to promote the platform's expansion to other European long-distance trails and regions.

What sets this pilot project apart is its unique focus on the use and development of long-distance tourist trails as catalysts for sustainable and inclusive development of tourism and improving the quality of life in communities, social innovation, and cultural exchange. By integrating these trails into a broader European digital and community-driven framework, the pilot project taps into their untapped potential to connect remote regions, stimulate local economies, and promote environmentally responsible and sustainable tourism.

SEC3 Article PP 07 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PP 07 27 01 — Pilot project — Mapping of Student Accommodation in Europe: Evidence-based Analysis of Student Housing Models

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 500 000	1 250 000			2 500 000	625 000

Remarks

Students' living conditions influence their access to and participation in higher education and VET, but no comparable EU-level data on student housing exists: provision has developed along very different national traditions, responsibilities are dispersed across levels of government, and definitions are not aligned.

1. Rationale of the Pilot Project

This proposal responds to a pressing and well-documented policy problem: across the European Union, students face growing difficulties in finding affordable and adequate accommodation. Rising rents in university cities, insufficient supply of dedicated student housing and increasing competition on private rental markets affect students' access to and participation in higher education and vocational education and training (VET), their opportunities for mobility, and their living conditions. Yet the European and national policymakers currently lack the most basic instrument needed to address this problem: a comparable, EU-wide picture of what student accommodation exists, who provides and regulates it, what it costs, and who has access to it. The core purpose of this pilot project is therefore a mapping exercise, to establish that picture for the first time.

Any European endeavour in this field must, however, start from the recognition that student accommodation in Europe has developed along profoundly different national traditions. In some Member States provision is organised through national student services networks; in others through regional bodies operating under national or devolved arrangements; elsewhere accommodation is owned and managed by individual educational institutions, municipalities, or private and non-profit operators; and in several Member States most students live with their families or in the private rental market, with no formal student housing sector at all. Responsibilities for policy, provision and data collection are correspondingly dispersed across levels of government and types of organisations, and basic definitions, of a student residence, a bed, or an affordable rent, are not aligned between, and sometimes within, Member States. This heterogeneity should not be treated as a difficulty to be assumed away: documenting it accurately is one of the central purposes of the pilot project.

The political relevance of this initiative has recently been strengthened at European level. The European Parliament resolution of 10 March 2026 on the "Housing crisis in the European Union with the aim of proposing solutions for decent, sustainable and affordable housing" (2025/2070(INI)) explicitly recommends the creation of a pilot project to scale up models of student housing that combine affordable accommodation with educational and community programmes. The proposed pilot project responds to this mandate by building the evidence base that any such scaling-up would first require.

Against this backdrop, the proposed pilot project would act as a complementary and strictly time-limited analytical instrument to existing tools, mainly the European Higher Education Sector Observatory (EHESO), providing the foundation for future EU, national and local policy on student housing.

2. Objective of the Pilot Project

The objective of the pilot project is to establish a time-limited pilot study focused on the mapping of student accommodation in Europe, aimed at testing the integration of housing-related dimensions into existing EU monitoring and knowledge platforms, rather than establishing a new permanent structure.

Its ambition is to establish a first factual picture of student housing in the EU, what accommodation exists, who provides, regulates and finances it, under what conditions students access it, and what data is (and is not) available in each Member State.

Understanding how non-academic conditions such as housing shape students' educational trajectories remains the long-term policy goal motivating this initiative; measuring that relationship systematically would require individual-level data that most Member States do not collect, involves many factors beyond housing alone, and falls outside the scope of this pilot project. Within the pilot project, this dimension should be addressed only through a structured review of existing studies, complemented by case studies and interviews at institutional level.

Given the fragmentation of European traditions and the two-year time frame available, the pilot project should be organised in three tiers of activity, to guarantee a first set of results at its end:

— Tier 1: Systematic mapping. A desk-based mapping, covering all 27 Member States, of the authorities and organisations responsible for university student housing provision, regulation and data collection at national, regional and local level; of the main provider types, different governance structures, regulatory and financing frameworks; estimate of student bed needs at national level; and of the existing national data collections and the definitions they use.

— Tier 2: Core indicator collection. The collection, in all 27 Member States, of a deliberately minimal set of factual indicators in university student housing like: the number of student housing units and beds, distinguishing shared and individual use; the average price students pay per room or bed, also in relation to average national income levels to understand their affordability; the services provided in addition to accommodation; the number of public beds offered at below-market prices; and, where obtainable, the cost of creating an additional bed under different provision and financing models, as an indicator of the cost-efficiency of public investment. Where an indicator is not collected nationally, or is collected in a non-comparable way, the gap should be documented rather than estimated: the resulting map of data availability and comparability across the EU.

— Tier 3: In-depth analysis. A series of case studies of student housing models chosen to represent the different national traditions, national networks, regional and federal systems, institution-owned accommodation, VET housing, social housing and cooperative models, and predominantly market-based systems, including their governance, financing (e.g. blended finance, revolving funds, partnerships with promotional banks, specialised operators), affordability and integration of educational and support services; together with the structured review of existing evidence on

housing and educational outcomes (using indicators like number of ECTS credits acquired, time to graduation, average grades etc).

The European Parliament acknowledges that full comparability of student housing data across Member States will not be achieved within the lifetime of the pilot project, and that response rates and data quality will vary considerably between Member States. The tiered design is intended to ensure that each stage produces usable results in its own right, and to allow the researchers and policymakers start addressing the current data gap in EU student housing and offer a first data set on which to build successive policies and initiatives, both at EU, national or regional levels.

Throughout its implementation, the pilot project should ensure coordination and complementarity with existing EU-level initiatives, in particular the European Higher Education Sector Observatory (EHESO), Eurostat, the Eurostudent survey on the social dimension of higher education etc, by aligning data definitions and analytical approaches and avoiding any duplication of existing tools. Results should be actively disseminated to EU institutions, national and local authorities, higher education and VET institutions and housing providers, including through structured peer-learning exchanges.

3. Activities to be carried out

Year 1 – Groundwork and EU-wide mapping

— Set-up phase: establishment of project governance including a Scientific Advisory Board, detailed work plan and methodology; coordination arrangements with external stakeholders;

— Tier 1 mapping in all 27 Member States: identification of the authorities and organisations responsible for student housing provision, regulation and data at each level of government; main provider types; different governance structures, regulatory and financing frameworks; estimate of student bed needs at national level; inventory of existing national data collections and of the definitions and indicators they use;

— Consultations to agree the minimal core indicator set for Tier 2, on the basis of what the Tier 1 inventory shows to be realistically obtainable;

— Structured review of existing studies on the relationship between student housing and educational outcomes;

— Interim report presenting the mapping of responsibilities, the assessment of data availability and comparability, and the agreed core indicator set.

Year 2 – Data collection, analysis and dissemination

— Tier 2 collection of the core indicators in all 27 Member States, through ministries, competent authorities, statistical offices and umbrella organisations; validation of the data received and systematic documentation of gaps and non-comparabilities;

— Tier 3 case studies of student housing models representing the different national traditions, including governance, regulation, financing, affordability and the integration of educational and support services, based on documentation and interviews;

— Comparative analysis of the collected data and case studies, with explicit indication of the limits of comparability;

— Facilitation of structured peer-learning exchanges among national, regional and local authorities, higher education and VET institutions and housing providers, enabling dialogue, mutual learning and the transfer of good practice across the different national traditions;

— Presentation of results through the main dissemination channels: the European Education Area working group on higher education, the Housing Alliance's student housing working group, and HEI and VET stakeholder fora;

— Production of policy briefs and a final synthesis report; a final conference presenting results to EU institutions, Member States and stakeholders; publication of all outputs through existing Commission channels, in particular the European Higher Education Sector Observatory.

4. Deliverables

— 27 country reports covering university student housing in all 27 EU Member States: responsible authorities and organisations, provider types, governance, regulatory and financing frameworks, estimate of student bed needs at national level, and an inventory and assessment of existing national data collections, definitions and their comparability.

— EU-level analytical report on university student housing, with comparative evidence on housing models, affordability, governance, financing and policy framework.

— EHESO integration plan for student housing data, mapping how the student housing datasets produced by the pilot project are to be integrated into the EHESO: which indicators feed into which section of the platform, the data definitions and formats to be used, and the arrangements and responsibilities for keeping the data updated after the end of the pilot project.

— Compendium of case studies of university and VET student housing models representing the different European traditions.

— Structured review of existing evidence on the relationship between university student housing and educational outcomes, complemented by case studies and interviews.

— Final comparative synthesis report, policy briefs, and peer-learning exchanges translating findings into actionable insights for EU, national and local decision-makers.

— Final conference and dissemination materials, ensuring visibility, knowledge transfer and policy uptake.

5. Beneficiaries

The pilot project should benefit three broad and complementary groups of stakeholders:

— Higher education stakeholders: Member States' ministries and agencies responsible for housing, education, youth and social policies; universities and higher education institutions and their representative organisations or communities of practice, including the European Universities alliances;

— Vocational education and training (VET) stakeholders: VET providers, networks, association, communities of practice etc.;

— Housing stakeholders: regional and local authorities, particularly cities and regions facing student housing pressures; and public, non-profit and limited-profit housing providers etc.

— EU, national or regional policy-makers: institutions or public bodies responsible for housing, education, youth or social policies, or cities and regions facing student housing pressures.

SEC3 Item PP 07 27 02 — Pilot project — Social Bond framework for Affordable Housing

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks

The objective of the project is to develop a technical feasibility study conceptualising a replicable framework model for the issuance of social bonds for cities, capable of mobilising capital markets in support of housing solutions for vulnerable and middle-income households across European cities. The project will be implemented in close consultation with large European municipalities, multilateral and public banks, and private sector partners. These stakeholders will be able to provide input throughout the study to ensure that its findings and recommendations are directly and readily usable. The study will design a housing-specific bond issuance framework and assess the potential of public-private partnership mechanisms at national and EU level, with a view to supporting the financing of social and affordable housing.

Structure:

The feasibility study would simulate a suitable housing project model, such as the construction or renovation of affordable housing units and inclusion of services and technology for tenants and local community empowerment so combining real assets, social outcomes and long-term value creation.

The study would present a social bonds framework assessing all characteristics required for a market issuance structure. The output of the pilot project would therefore illustrate a potential bankable and investment-ready bond framework, analysing market expectations, regulatory requirements, and transparent reporting frameworks.

The pilot project would follow internationally recognised standards, specifying clear requirements on the use of proceeds, project selection, management of funds, and impact reporting. Building on this methodological basis, the project should aim to offer a framework to design a model to finance projects aligned with the EU Affordable Housing Plan criteria, capable of responding to investors' expectations while ensuring measurable social outcomes and financial sustainability.

European Added Value:

Access to affordable housing remains a growing challenge across many European cities. Rising housing costs, limited supply of affordable units, and increasing pressure on urban housing markets have made it more difficult for low- and middle-income households to secure adequate housing. While public investment remains essential, local authorities often face budget constraints that limit their ability to expand social and affordable housing stock. At the same time, capital markets are increasingly interested in impact-oriented investments, including thematic bonds targeting. Green bonds, for instance, are widely used to channel private capital towards environmental and climate outcomes, within a framework that has proven effective in mobilising large-scale investment for the green transition. No equivalent framework exists for social outcomes in Europe.

The study should aim to support institutions by providing evidence-based input for the development of a market-led, voluntary social bond framework for housing. It will contribute to the policy objectives of the European Affordable Housing Plan, which recognises the structural shortage of capital in the sector and calls for the development of innovative financing approaches to support housing investment across Member States. By testing governance structures, reporting methodologies, and impact indicators at municipal level, the initiative is expected to provide practical insights for the design of a potential EU-level framework linked to housing and other social policy objectives, while also supporting the development of de-risking mechanisms at EU level

SEC3 Item PP 07 27 03 — Pilot project — Summers of Europe: inclusive, innovative and transnational summer camps for disadvantaged children

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 450 000	725 000			1 450 000	362 500

Remarks

The pilot project "Summers of Europe" aims to create EU-wide networks supporting free and inclusive participation for disadvantaged children in transnational summer camps. It should target children in need, as identified by the European Child Guarantee. It builds on existing initiatives such as the Summer Camps for Ukrainian children organised by the European Committee of the Regions and other local initiatives, while offering a structured, sustainable and innovative approach supporting transnational exchanges at European Union level.

This initiative is also part of ongoing efforts to strengthen the European Child Guarantee, particularly with regard to equal and inclusive access to school-based as well as out-of-school activities, including participation in school trips and sport, leisure and cultural activities.

These summer camps will provide a safe space where disadvantaged children can participate in cultural, sports, educational and recreational activities. This is a real investment in their future: reducing psychological, emotional stress, and social exclusion of disadvantaged children, supporting personal development, inclusion, fostering autonomy and strengthening their sense of belonging to a community.

The pilot project is structured in three complementary stages:

1. Mapping of transnational actions in Member States supporting participation of disadvantaged children in summer camps and collection of best practices;

2. Creation of an EU toolkit and supporting documents;

3. Piloting support to transnational networking aimed at participation of disadvantaged children in summer camps and piloting support to transnational participation in summer camps for disadvantaged children.

Phase 1: Mapping of transnational actions in Member States supporting participation of disadvantaged children in summer camps and collection of best practicesμ.

The objective is to identify and analyse existing models in Member States:

— of participation in summer camps for disadvantaged children in order to extract transferable and adaptable quality standards and rapidly operationalise the organisation of transnational summer camps for disadvantaged children from several Member States;

— of transnational networks supporting participation of disadvantaged children in summer camps and examine options how they could be supported.

This mapping exercise should include transnational partnerships between stakeholders (e.g. local authorities, NGOs, social workers, child protection experts) from different Member States organising, or participating in the organisation of, these transnational summer camps for disadvantaged children. Interviews with organisers, educators and children will form part of this research. It will be important to ensure the active participation of disadvantaged children in order to include their lived experience in this analysis.

The main deliverables will be a European report on mapping relevant networks, best practices, quality standards and a common framework for the organisation of transnational summer camps for disadvantaged children as well as the identification of cross-border partnerships before piloting these camps. This will lay the foundations for a systematic European approach that would enable isolated initiatives to be scaled-up and sustained.

Phase 2: Creation of an EU toolkit and supporting documents.

The objective would be to develop a multilingual operational toolkit enabling any European organisation and volunteers to set up inclusive, free and secure transnational summer camps for

disadvantaged children. This European toolkit would offer locally adaptable options, and specifications concerning the care of children from disadvantaged backgrounds, taking into account linguistic diversity.

Based on the information gathered during the first phase of the pilot project, the EU toolkit and supporting documents could contain an organisational guide for supporting participation of disadvantaged children in transnational summer camps; programme models for sports activities, nature discovery, creative and cultural and active citizenship-related activities; psycho-medical support protocol and a handbook on the prior pedagogical training of staff in contact with disadvantaged children.

Phase 3: Piloting support to transnational networking aimed at participation of disadvantaged children in summer camps and piloting support to transnational participation in summer camps for disadvantaged children.

The objective would be to pilot:

— developing or scaling up transnational networks aiming at supporting transnational participation of disadvantaged children in summer camps (including strengthening the focus on disadvantaged children within existing transnational networks);

— the multilingual EU toolkit and supporting documents;

— transnational participation in summer camps for disadvantaged children.

In order to support transnational participation, the pilot could include the implementation of free transnational pilot camps bringing together disadvantaged children from different Member States while maintaining a geographical balance. These summer camps would be organised by entities from several Member States (local authorities, NGOs, private associations, etc.) working in partnerships to welcome or send disadvantaged children. For the children participating, complete free access, including transport and equipment, will enable their active inclusion.

In order to promote the overall development of disadvantaged children and improve their basic skills, these transnational camps should provide:

— Activities focused on personal development and independence (managing pocket money, organising personal belongings, collective responsibilities, independent conflict resolution);

— Sports and team activities (friendly tournaments and competitions, promotion of sportsmanship and international collaboration);

— Creative and cultural activities (talent show, gala evening promoting self-confidence, collective European artistic production, intercultural exchange events);

— Educational activities, focusing on innovative teaching methods to support children with learning difficulties (literacy and numeracy support, acquisition of basic digital skills);

— Citizenship and engagement activities (interactive workshops on democracy, sustainability, and activism).

SEC3 Article PP 08 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PP 08 27 01 — Pilot project — European Agricultural Re(Insurance) Instrument

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				750 000	375 000			750 000	187 500

Remarks

European agriculture is increasingly exposed to systemic risks due to climate change and the growing frequency of extreme weather events such as droughts, floods, and heatwaves. Because these events often affect large areas simultaneously, they generate highly correlated losses that challenge the sustainability of traditional agricultural insurance models.

Agricultural insurance remains an important risk management tool, but access to affordable and comprehensive coverage is uneven across the European Union. In several high-risk regions, particularly in the Mediterranean area, insurers are reducing exposure, restricting coverage, or raising premiums, leaving many farmers uninsured or underinsured and vulnerable to sudden income shocks.

Existing EU instruments provide support after disasters, notably through risk management tools under the Common Agricultural Policy. However, these mechanisms are largely reactive and do not address the structural pressures on insurance markets when climate risks become too concentrated or costly for private insurers to absorb alone.

Existing analytical work, including studies undertaken by the World Bank, the European Commission and the European Investment Bank, has already improved the understanding of agricultural risk management and insurance markets in the European Union. Building on these findings, there remains a need to examine how a European agricultural reinsurance framework could be designed.

This pilot project therefore aims to test the feasibility and viability of a European framework for agricultural reinsurance capable of strengthening market resilience and improving farmers' access to insurance against increasingly systemic climate-related risks. A key objective is to ensure that the perspectives of risk carriers are fully integrated into the analysis in order to develop solutions that are economically viable and operationally feasible. This would also put the topic on the radar of the (re-)insurers.

Approach

The pilot project would focus on three core elements:

— Institutional and legal design: identify the legal, governance and institutional building blocks necessary for a European agricultural reinsurance framework capable of addressing systemic agricultural risks. Particular attention would be given to the respective roles of the European Union, Member States, insurers and reinsurers, as well as possible governance and financing arrangements.

— Feasibility and viability testing: assess the operational, financial and economic feasibility of different European agricultural reinsurance models. This would include examining options such as public-private risk-sharing mechanisms, EU-level risk pooling, catastrophe reinsurance layers and other appropriate solutions for managing systemic agricultural risks.

— Permanent stakeholder dialogue: assess the need, feasibility and added value of establishing a permanent European platform or observatory bringing together insurers, reinsurers, farmer organisations, policymakers, financial institutions and scientific experts to support continuous dialogue, exchange of expertise and cooperation on agricultural climate risk management.

Process

The project would combine analytical research with stakeholder dialogue through a series of meetings. These could include:

— a kick-off meeting to frame the challenge and gather initial perspectives;

— technical workshops with insurers and reinsurers, legal experts and public authorities to assess institutional options and test the feasibility of alternative reinsurance models;

— stakeholder roundtables with farmer organisations, financial institutions, and policymakers to discuss governance arrangements and assess the potential role of a permanent European observatory or dialogue platform;

— and a final policy forum presenting the findings and recommendations.

These exchanges would ensure that the proposed framework reflects both public policy objectives and the operational realities of insurance and reinsurance markets.

Expected Outcome

The work would provide:

— an outline of the legal, institutional and governance requirements necessary for a European agricultural reinsurance framework to function effectively.

— an assessment of the feasibility and viability of different European agricultural reinsurance models for addressing systemic agricultural risks.

— recommendations from insurers, reinsurers, farmer organisations and policymakers on possible implementation pathways.

— an assessment of the need, feasibility and possible design of a permanent European platform or observatory to facilitate continuous structured dialogue between the insurance and farming sectors as part of a broader climate resilience framework.

By bringing together public and private stakeholders and building upon existing analytical work, the initiative could contribute to developing practical solutions to strengthen agricultural risk management in EU agriculture and improve the resilience of farmers to increasingly systemic climate-related risks.

EU institutions, including the European Commission and the European Parliament, would be actively engaged throughout the process in order to ensure alignment with ongoing policy work and financial initiatives.

SEC3 Item PA 01 26 02 — Preparatory action — New Methodologies for Assessing Inequalities

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	400 000	p.m.	400 000	1 350 000	1 075 000	p.m.	400 000	1 350 000	737 500

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action.

In a fast-changing world, the Union requires new, comprehensive, and systematic approaches to assess economic and social inequalities across Member States. While there are existing data sources on wealth distribution, cohesion and social capital, they remain fragmented, often outdated and insufficient for understanding the full scope of inequality and evaluating the impact of certain policies and effectiveness of measures to tackle it.

The ‘New Methodologies for Assessing Inequalities’ preparatory action would bridge this gap by complementing existing data sets and scoreboards with novel ‘out of the box’ research methods and data to assess inequalities. These include ‘Big Data’ approaches, using alternatives data sources (e.g. text data, administrative data) and techniques such as: advanced modelling with heterogeneous agents, Natural Language Processing (NLP), non-linear econometric techniques (e.g. Bayesian Neural Networks) or Transformer Models to provide robust, consistent, and real-time insights on the various dimensions of inequality. This evidence-based approach using state-of-the-art analytical frameworks would empower the Union and its Member States to develop more targeted and effective policies and anticipate the need for new ones, addressing economic and social inequalities in a holistic manner.

The preparatory action (PA) would also play a pivotal role in enhancing social cohesion. By testing approaches capable to uncover both visible and hidden dimensions of inequality it would contribute to better identification of groups most at risk of being left behind, and thus enable proactive interventions, to ensure that no one is excluded from the benefits of Union policies.

Additionally, it would establish a statistical foundation for measuring social capital, by combining various data with novel analytical techniques, leading to more precise assessments of social cohesion throughout Europe. In doing so, it would contribute to a more equitable distribution of opportunities and outcomes, fostering greater unity and reducing the potential for social fragmentation.

Finally, the PA would facilitate cross-border cooperation and novel ‘out-of-the box’ use of data using Machine Learning techniques and Artificial Intelligence, offering a platform for Member States, research institutions, and civil society to share cutting-edge knowledge, best practices, and new successful policy models. This collaborative effort would help align national and Union policies, ensuring that inequalities are tackled comprehensively, with coordinated responses across regions and sectors.

In the long term, having the right instruments to address inequality is critical for the sustainability of the Union social model. Social instability driven by inequality can erode public trust, fuel polarization, and undermine democratic values. The PA would help mitigate these risks as well, using novel data and techniques to identify new forms of inequality at local level arising from e.g. different exposure to environmental hazards and climate change, depopulation and the impact of digitalisation. This will support policymakers to implement timely, effective solutions, ensuring a more inclusive and resilient Union for the future.

In conclusion, the establishment of this PA is essential for advancing social and economic cohesion across the Union. It would provide the evidence base necessary for informed policymaking, foster greater cooperation among Member States, and ensure that the Union remains a pioneer and global leader in addressing inequality. By making inequality a central focus of Union policy, the PA would contribute to building a more inclusive, just, and sustainable future for all Europeans.

SEC3 Article PA 01 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PA 01 27 01 — Preparatory action — Making the Water Tech Challenge work

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				500 000	250 000			500 000	125 000

Remarks

Achieving water resilience will require stimulating market uptake and large-scale end users adoption of e.g. advanced water treatment technologies for removing harmful pollutants, water efficiency, technologies which enable sustainable water reuse or substitution, as well as nature-based solutions and desalination technologies, to ensure sufficient and clean water for industrial and domestic use, to protect and restore good water quality and availability to ecosystems, and enhance the competitiveness of EU industries.

The Water Resilience Strategy announced a Water Tech Challenge in cooperation with the EIC. At the same time the Union already has a Water Knowledge and Innovation Community (KIC), the Water4All Partnership and the PRIMA Partnership to support water research. However, what is missing is a comprehensive instrument that is designed to push water technologies on to the market at scale, while fully encompassing the geopolitical, environmental and collaborative complexity of water resilience. The Water Tech Challenge under the EIC, the Water KIC and PRIMA all lack the focus on market uptake at scale and large-scale end-user adoption. This is a limitation stemming from the existing funding mechanism (Horizon Europe) which is exclusively focused on research and innovation.

The next MFF, and in particular the creation of the European Competitiveness Fund, the funding possibilities will change. However, the Union lacks experience with dedicated funding initiatives that build on research in this space but are designed for large-scale market uptake. This preparatory action would explore funding mechanisms that would allow to move from research to large-scale market uptake. It will do so for the particular context of water, which is not only a technological challenge. Water is a governmental and management challenge. It is also an economic opportunity for the Union and a central part of our environmentally sustainable future. Furthermore, it has a significant importance for Europe's diplomatic efforts. An effective European funding instrument should combine and accommodate all these aspects.

SEC3 Item PA 02 26 01 — Preparatory action — EU Hub for Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF) Production

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	2 500 000	p.m.	2 500 000	2 500 000	3 750 000	p.m.	2 500 000	2 500 000	3 125 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action.

Objective:

To further develop and finally validate the concept of a self-standing EU Hub for Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF) Production to provide a single, independent European capability supporting SAF entry into market compliant with sustainability and safety rules and standards and removing technical barriers to increased SAF use, with a particular focus on supporting European SMEs.

The EU Hub for SAF Production should act as a flanking measure that can technically support the fulfilment of the ambitious ReFuelEU Aviation mandate without relying on external, non-EU factors and players. It will ensure innovation and key competitiveness for SME’s, technology developers, fuel producers ensuring innovation and key competitiveness.

Background and Rationale:

Sustainable Aviation Fuels are important to reducing the aviation sector's carbon footprint. However, the complex development process and technical barriers limit the large-scale adoption of SAF.

Currently, fuel producers must navigate diverse and fragmented procedures and sustainability and safety requirements, creating inefficiencies and delays in bringing European SAF to market.

At present, the primary SAF research and standardisation programs for new fuels entry into market are conducted in the United States. This arrangement poses significant challenges for European stakeholders, especially SMEs, due to the complexity, cost, and geographic barriers associated with accessing these processes. European SMEs face particular difficulty in meeting the intricate technical and regulatory requirements without localised support.

Scope of the preparatory action:

1. define the operational framework, governance structure, and scope for financially self-sufficient EU Hub for SAF Production. Identify and analyse best practices from existing processes and international standards; map existing Union research programmes and technical resources to support the Hub's development; assess the specific needs and challenges faced by European SMEs in navigating processes for entry of new types of fuels to the market.

2. Design a pilot framework to validate the self-sufficient Hub model through real-world case studies with SAF producers; engage with industry stakeholders, including fuel producers, research and certification bodies, and regulatory agencies, to validate financial, technical and operational requirements, ensure particular emphasis on providing accessible SAF pathways and technical guidance for SMEs.

3. Create technical guidelines and toolkits for SAF producers to streamline compliance with safety and sustainability standards and rules for entry of new types of fuels to the market; develop a comprehensive knowledge base on SAF qualification pathways, technical specifications, and regulatory frameworks; provide dedicated resources and tailored guidance to assist SMEs in meeting requirements.

4. Deliverables will include:

— operational framework and governance model for a financially self-sufficient EU Hub for SAF production;

— report on barriers and proposed solutions linked to bringing new types of SAF to the market, with a focus on SME-specific challenges;

— comprehensive toolkit and guidelines for SAF producers, including tailored support for SMEs;

5. In addition to the above, a successful completion of the preparatory action will yield:

— enhanced fuel diversity: with additional SAF production pathways qualified, the European SAF industry would benefit from a more diverse range of feedstocks and technologies, ensuring resilience against disruptions;

— enhanced fuel production yields: additional research activities would assist fuel producers to optimize their production yields for targeted use of SAF in aviation; this will lead to a long-term benefit of reduced fuel costs for operators;

— boosted R&D Capabilities: fortified European fuel R&D infrastructure would lead to increased innovation, potentially positioning Europe as a global leader in SAF research and technology;

— New Made-in-EU SAF pathways: internationally recognised new SAF technologies designed and produced in the Union, which paves the way for European autonomy through a vibrant ecosystem of SAF technology developers and producers. This includes successful bench scale testing of at least one new Made-in-EU SAF pathway.

SEC3 Article PA 02 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PA 02 27 01 — Preparatory action — Europe without Borders: Single European Railway Area - Seamless cross border train operations

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks

This preparatory action aims to build on the conclusions of the pilot project "Single European Railway Area – Prototype Corridor Munich – Verona", which was implemented from June 2022 to June 2024.

The pilot project delivered tangible progress in several key areas, including brake calculation methodologies, technical checks (notably those concerning dangerous goods, waste transport, intermediate technical inspections, and compliance of magnetic rail brakes), the concept of single-person cabin operation, and the harmonisation of train operating rules along the corridor. Concrete solutions for more uniform regulatory approaches were identified and transmitted to the competent authorities and infrastructure managers for follow-up and potential implementation.

However, the implementation of the progress achieved under the previous pilot project has remained incremental and geographically limited to the Brenner corridor. Moreover, several of the pilot project's recommendations have yet to be fully implemented, such as the harmonisation or elimination of certain intermediate technical checks.

In this regard, the preparatory action should prepare concrete legislative solutions to remove the remaining barriers to cross-border rail transport identified under the pilot project, particularly where regulatory issues remain insufficiently addressed by the existing EU legal framework or have not yet been examined at the appropriate regulatory level, as set out in the final report of the "Brenner without Borders" pilot project. It should also provide for the identification and resolution of additional interoperability problems that were not identified during the original pilot project, including beyond the scope of the Brenner railway corridor.

Furthermore, the preparatory action should extend its geographical scope beyond the Brenner area to cover other cross-border railway corridors. In this vein, it should also facilitate the transfer and application of the methodology and findings developed under the pilot project to other cross-border corridors, thereby promoting regulatory convergence and helping to prevent further fragmentation of the Single European Railway Area.

SEC3 Item PA 02 27 02 — Preparatory action — Second Phase of the Implementation of the European Trusted Drone Label

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 500 000	1 250 000			2 500 000	625 000

Remarks

This preparatory action builds on the results of the ongoing pilot project on the European Trusted Drone Label, which defines cybersecurity-related criteria for drones and assesses options for establishing a voluntary EU labelling scheme.

While the pilot project focused on defining the criteria and the overall concept of the scheme, further work will be necessary to support the practical implementation of the label and its possible integration within the EU regulatory framework for unmanned aircraft systems.

The objective of this preparatory action is therefore to support the operational deployment of the Trusted Drone Label by developing the necessary technical, organisational and standardisation elements.

In particular, the project will:

— Develop a third-party conformity assessment framework for the Trusted Drone Label, identifying appropriate verification procedures in line with the EU product compliance framework and the principles set out in the New Legislative Framework and the Commission Blue Guide on product rules.

— Assess implementation options for conformity assessment, including the potential role of accredited conformity assessment bodies, independent verification entities or notified bodies.

— Support the development of relevant European standards, in cooperation with European standardisation organisations (CEN, CENELEC and ETSI), to enable harmonised and efficient assessment of the label requirements.

— Develop practical tools and methodologies for testing, verification and certification of labelled drones.

— Analyse options for integrating the Trusted Drone Label within the EU drone regulatory framework, including the potential introduction of a voluntary security-related category or designation within the framework of Regulation (EU) 2019/947.

The project should be carried out in close cooperation with relevant stakeholders, including drone manufacturers, operators, authorities, cybersecurity experts, and standardisation bodies, in order to ensure that the implementation framework is credible, proportionate and achievable for industry.

SEC3 Item PA 02 27 03 — Preparatory action — Strengthening the resilience of European airspace: Improving EU capabilities for safe, secure and transparent drone operations

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				3 000 000	1 500 000			3 000 000	750 000

Remarks

The EU Action Plan on Drone and Counter-Drone Security (COM(2026) 81 final) highlights the urgent need to strengthen the resilience of EU airspace against malicious drone activities. This can be achieved through a practice-oriented application of geo-zones and geofencing as well as the widespread use of electronic conspicuity.

Geo-zones and geofencing are critical tools to mitigate risks by preventing unauthorised drone operations in sensitive areas, including critical infrastructure, borders and public spaces. While UAS geographical zones are established under existing EU regulations, the current framework lacks standardized definitions, digital accessibility, and technical interoperability, limiting its effectiveness.

The proposed preparatory action contributes to Section 2.2.1 of the said Action Plan by experimentally developing and validating a Common European Geo-Zone Information Platform, aimed at improving situational awareness, automated compliance and future U-space integration.

The proposed preparatory action also contributes to Section 3.1 of the Action Plan by enhancing situational awareness through accelerating the deployment of drone conspicuity solutions, which are building on U-space, registration and identification frameworks.

Rather than introducing regulatory measures, the project will generate technical, operational and governance evidence supporting potential future EU initiatives.

The preparatory action therefore has the following objectives:

1. Improve the Definition and Digital Publication of UAS Geographical Zones:

— Develop and validate common semantic and digital representation models for defining and publishing UAS geographical zones (geo-zones) across the EU based on ED-318, ensuring clarity, accessibility, and interoperability in close co-operation with the Member States and the existing Geo Zone Task Force.

— Integrate these geo-zones into the EASA Innovative Air Mobility (IAM) Hub for centralized distribution and near real-time updates to drone operators, authorities, and stakeholders.

2. Assess Technical Conditions for Geofencing:

— Design and pilot a prototype digital information environment enabling streamlined access to geo-zone data, explore integration scenarios within the EASA IAM Hub and assess performance factors.

— Evaluate the technical feasibility, requirements, and standards for implementing geofencing functionalities to prevent drones from entering restricted or high-risk areas (e.g., critical infrastructure, airports, borders). Pilot-test geofencing solutions in collaboration with selected Member States, leveraging existing U-space frameworks and the IAM Hub for data dissemination.

3. Support Regulatory and Operational Integration:

— Provide recommendations for harmonized EU-wide rules on geofencing, including compliance mechanisms for drone operators and manufacturers.

— Facilitate knowledge-sharing and best practices among Member States, EASA, and industry stakeholders to ensure scalable and secure deployment.

4. Enhance Drone Conspicuity and Identification for Security and BVLOS Operations:

— Assess and identify suitable technological and operational solutions for drone conspicuity and electronic identification to support both secure airspace integration and situational awareness for authorities.

— The project will analyse and test complementary solutions to existing Remote Identification requirements, including network-based identification, broadcast identification, and other electronic conspicuity technologies enabling authorities and other airspace users to detect and identify drones in real time.

— Particular attention will be given to solutions supporting BVLOS operations, improving interoperability between civil aviation systems, U-space services and security authorities. The project will deliver recommendations on suitable technological approaches and possible standardisation needs for a harmonised EU-level conspicuity framework.

SEC3 Article PA 03 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PA 03 27 01 — Preparatory action — Structuring the EU Implementation Ecosystem for Sustainability Reporting Standards

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				3 000 000	1 500 000			3 000 000	750 000

Remarks

European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRSs), introduced by Directive (EU) 2022/2464 and amended by Directive (EU) 2026/470 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 February 2026 amending Directives 2006/43/EC, 2013/34/EU, (EU) 2022/2464 and (EU) 2024/1760 as regards certain corporate sustainability reporting requirements and certain corporate sustainability due diligence requirements (Text with EEA relevance) should achieve their overriding objectives, in particular to ensure the quality of reported information, by requiring that it is understandable, relevant, verifiable, comparable and represented in a faithful manner as defined in its Article 29b.

At the same time, the sustainability reporting framework should avoid imposing disproportionate administrative or financial burdens on undertakings. In particular, it should take into account the practical difficulties companies may encounter when collecting sustainability information throughout their value chains, including from actors not subject to reporting requirements and from suppliers located in emerging markets and economies.

Following the adoption of simplified ESRS through delegated acts and the development of sustainability reporting standards for voluntary use, the focus of Union action should shift from the exploratory activities supported through the pilot project to the structured implementation and operationalisation of the EU sustainability reporting framework.

This preparatory action therefore aims to contribute to the development of an EU implementation framework supporting the consistent and effective application of sustainability reporting standards across the Union. Building on the experience gathered through the pilot project, the preparatory action should consolidate operational experience, identify implementation challenges and contribute to the development of practical approaches that should support the development of Union-level implementation guidance, operational support tools and structured feedback mechanisms to facilitate the consistent application of sustainability reporting standards across the Union.

The preparatory action should mobilise relevant stakeholders and experts, including companies within the scope of the reporting requirements, companies throughout value chains, investors, suppliers and other relevant actors, in order to gather structured implementation feedback and support the development of practical solutions facilitating the application of the standards. Particular attention should be paid to ensuring a balanced representation of expertise and broad geographical coverage across the Union.

In particular, the preparatory action should:

— identify and analyse practical challenges encountered by undertakings when applying simplified ESRS and when collecting sustainability information throughout value chains, including from undertakings not subject to reporting requirements;

— contribute to the development of methodological approaches and implementation guidance facilitating the consistent application of sustainability reporting standards;

— support the establishment of structured mechanisms for collecting implementation feedback from companies and stakeholders;

— identify approaches that may help ensure proportionality and reduce excessive administrative and financial burden and information requests within value chains, including in relation to the voluntary sustainability reporting standards.

The preparatory action should also support the mapping, assessment and structuring of existing tools and guidance that facilitate the effective implementation of simplified ESRS and the voluntary sustainability reporting standards. This may include digital solutions, templates and other practical resources supporting companies in the operational application of the standards.

SEC3 Article PA 04 27 — 2027

Remarks

N/A

SEC3 Item PA 04 27 01 — Preparatory action — Empowering SMEs and Start-ups in Space Environmental Sustainability

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				5 000 000	2 500 000			5 000 000	1 250 000

Remarks

To support the implementation of the PEFCR4space pilot, the preparatory action will establish comprehensive supportive measures that address the integration of sustainability into space industry, specifically targeting SMEs and Start-ups.

The supportive measures should encourage companies to adopt sustainable practices.

These supportive measures should include, but not limited to, the following: addressing the skills gap with training programmes and courses to integrate sustainability into engineering practices; developing specialised IT tools that facilitate lifecycle assessments and sustainability metrics; networking platforms that promote space industry collaboration; offering regulatory guidance; running public awareness campaigns that enhance engagement and highlight the importance of sustainability within space sector.

Trainings and public campaigns should be conducted as much as possible in the Member States, and in different languages, to ensure their broadest accessibility.

SEC3 Item PA 04 27 02 — Preparatory action — PROTECTING EUROPE'S SATELLITES: Demonstration of New SST Capabilities

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				20 000 000	10 000 000			20 000 000	5 000 000

Remarks

Europe’s space infrastructure is becoming increasingly critical for the Union’s autonomy, resilience and security. EU-owned programmes such as Galileo, Copernicus, and future constellations such as IRIS² and LEO PNT will form the backbone of essential civilian, governmental and security-related services in the coming years.

However, while these assets are rapidly increasing in number and strategic importance, there is currently no dedicated overall architecture specifically designed for their protection against risks and threats in orbit.

The number of EU-owned satellites is expected to increase significantly in the coming years and could reach well above 400 satellites, exceeding the current combined number of civil and commercial satellites operated by Member States. This evolution requires a more comprehensive approach to the protection of EU-owned assets across orbital regions.

The EU Space Surveillance and Tracking (EU SST) component of the EU Space Programme has already achieved important progress by pooling national capabilities and developing European monitoring services based primarily on ground-based sensors. Existing radars and telescopes already contribute to the EU SST network, and additional sensors are expected in the coming years, including systems currently under development.

However, important limitations remain.

First, EU SST still relies predominantly on ground-based assets, which limits observation coverage in certain orbital regions.

Second, coverage of the Medium Earth Orbit (MEO) region remains insufficient, despite the fact that this region hosts the Galileo constellation, one of the most strategic infrastructures of the European Union.

Third, the Union remains highly dependent on non-European data and catalogues to know and assess what is happening in orbit above Europe and above its satellites. In a context of growing geopolitical tensions and increasing orbital congestion, this dependence creates a structural vulnerability for the protection of EU-owned space infrastructure.

This preparatory action therefore aims to support the definition of a comprehensive architecture combining ground-based and space-based sensors, specifically designed to improve the protection of EU-owned space assets.

The project should examine three complementary components.

I. Radars – protection of LEO assets

Radar systems are essential for monitoring Low Earth Orbit, where new European constellations such as IRIS² and LEO PNT will operate.

The project should review existing radar capabilities within the EU SST network and analyse possible additional configurations that could improve mapping and revisit capabilities, including through potential locations outside the European continent. Because of the sensitivity of these systems and their links with defence requirements, this strand should fully take into account military specificities and be developed in close coordination with national defence authorities.

II. Telescopes – protection of the MEO region

The project should address the protection of the Medium Earth Orbit region, where Galileo operates and where observation capabilities remain limited.

The action should examine different options for dedicated optical assets capable of providing reliable and cost-effective monitoring of this orbital region, improving the protection of Galileo satellites.

III. Space-based capabilities

The project should assess the possible role of space-based SST capabilities in protecting EU-owned assets.

Space-based sensors could complement ground systems by enabling the observation of objects that cannot easily be detected from Earth and by providing monitoring coverage outside the European continent without requiring the deployment of sensitive assets in third countries.

The objective is not to compete with emerging commercial capabilities but to analyse how a limited and targeted space-based component could contribute to the protection of EU-owned constellations, particularly in Low Earth Orbit.

The action should therefore assess the possible concept, architecture, mission needs and technological components required for such capabilities, including prototypes and demonstrators where appropriate.

The project should also ensure a coherent articulation between all components and address key cross-cutting requirements, including:

— the holistic protection of all EU-owned assets;

— the reduction of excessive dependence on non-European catalogues and data sources;

— complementarity with existing EU SST governmental and commercial assets.

Implementation timeline

The preparatory action should follow a phased approach combining architecture work, capability maturation and validation:

— Phase 1 – Architecture definition (6 months)

Definition of the overall architecture combining ground and space-based sensors, including mission needs, system requirements and integration with existing EU SST capabilities.

— Phase 2 – Capability maturation and prototyping (12 months)

Development and maturation of the most relevant technological components and prototypes identified in the architecture phase.

— Phase 3 – Demonstration and validation (6 months)

Demonstration and validation of selected solutions, including where appropriate operational or in-orbit demonstrations.

This action would provide the Union with the first integrated basis for a future capability dedicated to the protection of EU-owned space infrastructure.

SEC3 Item PA 07 26 01 — Preparatory action — Sport Supports - emergency sport actions for youth

Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	1 400 000	p.m.	1 400 000	2 000 000	2 400 000	p.m.	1 400 000	2 000 000	1 900 000

Remarks

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action.

Building on the previous succesful pilot project, the aim of this preparatory action is to continue sport emergency programmes in the context of humanitarian crisis such as war in order to facilitate overcoming traumas, adapting to new environments and creating bonds with the temporary hosting communities.

Through sport activities and interventions, this preparatory action will focus on encouraging community integration of children and youth. By improving their mental well-being by attending sport sessions, these individuals will eventually become ready to adjust to their new environment. Sport with its power of bringing people together will help with interaction with the host community, easier integration into the education system or entering the labour market.

To achieve the best results those programmes should be organised at the local, grassroots level. Activities, games and sports must be designed in order to meet specific social and psychosocial goals. They need to be age appropriate, culturally appropriate and be considered in respect to the gender roles in the community. Building on the existing physical capacities of participants, experienced coaches will help them to feel comfortable by encouraging them to perform skills that they already know.

Therefore, cooperation between sport organisations and social/psychological centres would be required.

The main focus group consisted of children and young people affected by humanitarian crises and mass migration processes in the context of war. This pilot project would also generate inclusion in the public space and promote the exchange of cultures and traditions of different ethnic groups.

In order to reach the highest effectiveness possible, those programs should be implemented at the local level, involving only one member State, which is not possible under the current Erasmus+ Sport actions.

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Remarks

N/A

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Draft budget		Council's position		Parliament's position		Revised Draft Budget		Conciliation	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 400 000	700 000			1 400 000	350 000

Remarks

The preparatory action builds on the results of the pilot project on "Preparatory work for counselling structures to support mobile migrant labour". The first phase demonstrated that structured cross-border cooperation between counselling centres improves access to rights for mobile workers and generates valuable insights into recurring problems in high-risk sectors. It established a functioning transnational network of trade union related counselling centres across a growing number of participating countries, reflecting key cross-border labour mobility realities within the EU internal market.

The preparatory action aims to further develop this structure in three aspects.

First, it will support a targeted expansion of the network along selected mobility corridors to broaden counselling coverage in light of the diversity of labour mobility patterns within the EU. In practical terms, this means establishing counselling capacities in additional sending and receiving countries where significant cross-border labour mobility exists but structured transnational support is lacking. Expansion will follow a step-by-step approach to ensure quality and operational stability, with the first year laying the basis for gradual scaling in possible subsequent years.

Second, the preparatory action will further develop the network's governance and coordination structure. Existing cooperation formats will be complemented by a more clearly defined European coordination layer, while corridor-based sub-structures will be strengthened to reflect concrete mobility patterns and working languages. This "network of networks" approach enables operational cooperation where migration flows exist while ensuring transparency and coherence at European level — allowing the network to grow without overburdening existing formats and keeping operational work closely linked to cross-border employment realities.

Third, the preparatory action will accompany the transition towards possible future EU-level arrangements in the field of labour mobility by exploring and transmitting innovative methods and low-threshold procedures developed within the network, without pre-empting political or legislative decisions. The objective is to ensure that the counselling expertise developed within the network can be effectively integrated into any future European framework. This includes accessible cross-border counselling formats, practical cooperation models between sending and receiving countries, and structured approaches to translating counselling practice into policy-relevant insights. The preparatory action will also consider financial sustainability aspects, including national co-financing requirements, to ensure that participation remains feasible for the organisations involved as the network grows.